



St. Michael & All Angels

CHURCH IN THE PARK | LIVING, LOVING, SERVING

23 July 2017 : Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our services today. If you are a visitor and usually take communion in your own church, we hope you will share the sacrament with us. If you are not a communicant, please still come to the altar, but carry a book, and you will receive a blessing. Do join us for Fairtrade refreshments in Church House after the 8:00 am and 9:00 am services and at the back of church after the 10:45 am service.

A Crèche is available in the North Room during the 10:45 am service. All children attending the 10:45 am service are welcome to meet in school year groups during term time as follows:

Bubbles – Pre-school & Reception: North Room
JC Club – Years 1 - 6: Church House

Please take this sheet home with you as a reminder of events in the coming week which you might want to join in with, or pray over.

COLLECTS FOR TODAY'S SERVICES

Collect:

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Post Communion Collect:

**God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Church Notices: please send to notices@hughendenparishchurch.org.uk

Today's readings with their pew bible page numbers are:

Old Testament Reading: **Isaiah 44: 6-8** (page 729)

The Lord God, says Isaiah, is the beginning and the end of everything that ever was or shall be. Only someone exactly like him could fully understand his purposes. Jesus' understanding, as we shall hear, is indeed divine – this is both claim and proof that Jesus is Lord.

New Testament Reading: **Romans 8: 12-25** (page 1134)

Paul has been contrasting law and freedom, right and wrong. The logic leads him to a favourite phrase: God's Spirit makes us God's adopted children, who can use the name Jesus used – 'Abba', Father. Hold on to that, whatever turmoil the world contains.

Gospel Reading: **Matthew 13: 24-30 & 36-43** (page 979)

The parable of wheat and tares seems simple to us, because it is so familiar. But those who first heard it needed the explanation that the evil in this world is allowed by God to exist alongside the good of the kingdom but there will come a time when only the good survives.

8:00 am Holy Communion (Said) (Common Worship)

9:00 am Matins (Sung) (BCP)
Psalm 86 (Oxford Psalter page 169)

10:45 am Family Communion

If at the Family service you would like to receive prayer for healing, general wellbeing, comfort and strength by our trained Prayer Team, please make your way up early to the communion rail and then go into the North Chapel (doorway by the organ) where you will be warmly and confidentially welcomed.

6:00 pm Evensong (Said) (BCP) (No sermon)

Psalm 67 (Oxford Psalter page 128)
1 Kings 2: 10-12 & 3: 16-28 (page 336)
Hymn 150
Acts 4: 1-22 (page 1095)
Hymns 339 & 390

Intercessions: In our prayers this week we remember Florence Pinfield, Audrey Tricker, Cerys Seys Llewellyn, Sean and Julie Rourke, Audrey Todd, Peter Hibben, Margaret Butler, Celia Dibden, Dennis Oldfield, James Conlan, Sheila Morecroft, Janet Palmer, Christine Powell, Linda Goodall, Diane Hawkins, Rachel Johnson, David Tester, and all who care for and about them.

Church House Teas Today teas are organized by the Mothers' Union (Norma Clarke 563116). If you are able to offer any help in the usual areas, be it ever so small, please ring as appropriate. If anybody can volunteer after the service to put the tables up in Church House the organisers would be very grateful.

Gift Vouchers are now available; £5 per person, valid for this year only. Please contact Arthur (521741) or Julia (07909 518985).

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer is said on Monday to Saturday at 7:30 am. Do join us.

TUESDAY 25 July James the Apostle

10:00 am Holy Communion: Church

FRIDAY 28 July

1:00 pm Wedding of Gareth Devlin and Polly Kwok

SATURDAY 29 July

11.00 am Private booking: Church House

Next Sunday:

30 July : Seventh Sunday after Trinity

8:00 am Holy Communion (Said) (Common Worship)

9:00 am Matins (Sung) (BCP)

10:45 am Family Communion

6:00 pm Evensong (Sung) (BCP)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

30 July – Church Summer Barbeque hosted by Patrick Meckeown at 9 Wyndham Ave, HP13 5EP. It starts after the 10:45 am service and people are asked to bring chairs.

16 September – ROPE is excited to be hosting our Women Walking 4 Women event and would love to invite the women of Hughenden church to join them. The 10 mile walk on the 16th September will support women escaping prostitution in Bolivia, through a project which trains and employs women to earn an income through sewing and producing textile goods. ROPE want to raise £20k to pay 5 women's salaries for a year. Andrea Baker, who runs the project, will be joining walkers on the day to speak about how God is moving in the streets of Bolivia. For more information see www.roke.org.uk.

GENERAL

Have you been confirmed? If not, and you would be interested in being a confirmation candidate, then please have a word with Keith or Helen. The deanery has two services in the diary - Sunday 8 October 2017 and Sunday 4 March 2018. Both services take place at 6:00 pm. We are hoping to offer preparation for adults for the October service, and for young people for next March.

Due to downsizing a church family have various items available: piano, free to good home, provided you pick it up, plus various items of furniture, including an immaculate rosewood dining table & 8 chairs, patio furniture & coffee table - all reasonable offers accepted. Contact Catherine Wilkinson on 01494-712826.

Collections at Services In order to meet our annual budget, it is important to know the amount of regular giving that can be expected. By far the best way to achieve this is for all committed members of the church to sign up to a standing order. Release yourself from the burden of trying to find cash as you set out for church!

For those who feel uncomfortable not putting something in the plate when it comes round, just grab a special card from the table by the font as you come in, and place it on the plate. You will symbolically be sending your standing order up to the altar for a blessing! Or just nod to the sidesman with a smile, when you see the plate coming.

If you are not as yet signed up, please seriously consider doing so. Forms are on the bookstand behind the font. Under Gift Aid your contribution of, say, £10 becomes £12.50.

If you cannot opt for a standing order, please fill in and use a yellow envelope – but only if you are a tax-payer. These are to be found in every pew, and can be used to direct where you would like your contribution is to go, if not to our general fund.

You can also opt for weekly, planned-giving envelopes. Speak to Arthur, assistant treasurer, about these and all related matters of giving. 01494 521471

If you are aware of any member of our church family who is unwell, in hospital, housebound, lonely or in need of support, please let Keith the Vicar know (or Helen, Associate Minister, if Keith is not available).

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