The Parish of St George's, Benenden

Our Mission: "To know and love Jesus and make his love known to all"

Our Worship Sunday 17th June Third Sunday after Trinity

Collect: Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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.

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION

led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

10.00 am SUNG EUCHARIST

led by Revd David Commander

Bible Readings: 2 Corinthians 5.6-10 & 14-17 Mark 4.26-34

HYMNS			
4	New every morning		
769	Rejoice the Lord is King		
506	The church's one foundation		
Communion anthem	Come thou fount of every blessing		
Communion hymn 427	Behold the Lamb		
646	God is working his purpose out		

12-3.00 pm Colour Strings at St George's

4.00 pm MESSY CHURCH led by Revd Iori Price

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 18th	8.00 am 9.00 am	Morning Prayer at St George's BPS Assembly		
	4.00 pm	20:20 meeting at the Rectory		
Tuesday 19th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church		
·	10.00 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church		
		led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen		
	6.15 pm	Rehearsal at St George's		
	8.00 pm	Home Group at Julia & David Collard's		
Wednesday 20 th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church		
	10.00 am	Coffee Morning at Benenden Memorial Hall		
	7.30 pm	Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church		
	7.45 pm	Bell Ringing Practice at St George's		
Thursday 21st	9.30 – 11.30 am	BPS Music Lessons at St George's		
Friday 22 nd	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at St George's		
	9.00 am	Cakes & Chaos		
	1.30 pm	Wedding at St George's		
	3.00 pm	BPS Assembly		
	6.45 pm	Choir Practice at St George's		

Sunday Next: 24th June – Fourth Sunday after Trinity

8.00 am Holy Communion led by Revd David Commander

10.00 am Morning Worship led by David Harmsworth

5.00 pm Contemporary Praise at Sandhurst Mission Church led by

Revd David Commander

Readings: Sunday 17th June

2 Corinthians 5.6-10 [11-13] 14-17

⁶ So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

The Ministry of Reconciliation

¹¹ Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. ¹²We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. ¹³For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.] ¹⁴For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. ¹⁵And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

¹⁶ From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view;^{*} even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view,^{*} we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Mark 4.26-34

The Parable of the Growing Seed

²⁶ He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, ²⁷and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. ²⁸The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

³⁰ He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? ³¹It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; ³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

The Use of Parables

³³ With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; ³⁴he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Home Groups:

The Benenden Tuesday Home Group meets at 8pm at David & Julia Collard's. The Wednesday Home Group meets at 7.30pm at Sandhurst Mission Church.



AT ST GEORGE'S

TONIGHT
SUNDAY 17TH June
4 – 6 pm
All Welcome!

Invitation to a Public Meeting at 7.30pm on Wednesday 27th June in St Mary's Church, Goudhurst

Children and Young People- their mental health: A community response

This project, led by Revd Hugh Nelson, Vicar of Goudhurst & Kilndown, is for the local churches, in the context of a growing epidemic of mental illness, to offer 3 things to local families and young people:

- i. Subsidised counselling, provided by Fegans, to every school in the Wealden villages
- ii. Support to parents who are struggling, using the Fegans Parenting scheme
 - iii. Other resources to local families and young people that focus on helping people to live well in a complex world.

 Please pick up a leaflet available in Church.

Confirmation: Are you interested in being Confirmed? Do you want to know what Confirmation is about? Would you like to take part fully in the Eucharist and receive Communion? If so, please speak to Revd David. Also put this advance date in your diary now: Sunday 23rd September 2018. We may have a few people interested in being Confirmed this year, so there will also be safety in numbers! And it doesn't matter what your age is. Just let me know if you are interested. Revd David.

Contemporary Worship
Praise Service

Sunday 24th June

5pm at Sandhurst Mission Church



Cakes & Chaos meets
every Friday
in term time
from 9 to 11 am
in St George's Church
All welcome!

10th Annual Richard Beattie Davis Sandhurst Musical Event for Hospice in the Weald

SATURDAY JULY 28th at 3pm. Oliver Davies (pf) and Adrian Bradbury (`cello) will be performing at this year's garden party event.

The interesting programme will feature various Russian and other composers. Reservations in advance only (minimum donation £17) from Gillian Davis 01580-850384

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