

# The Parish of St George's, Benenden

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

## Our Worship Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August

### Tenth Sunday after Trinity

**Collect:** Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION**  
led by Revd David Commander

**10.00 am ALL AGE COMMUNION & SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
led by Revd David Commander

**Bible Readings:**  
Ephesians 4.1-16  
John 6.24-35

HYMNS	
422	Alleluia sing to Jesus
595	Be thou my vision
604	Brother, sister, let me serve you
587	Amazing Grace - Communion hymn
725	Make me a channel - Communion hymn
713	Lord of all hopefulness

4.00 pm Choir Practice

**5.00 pm CHORAL EVENSONG** led by Revd David Commander  
Psalm 88 [1-10]. Readings: Hebrews 11.17-31, Luke 12.13-21

HYMNS	
Canticles	Chant
Responses	Ferial
Anthem	Lead me Lord - Wesley
453	Lord enthroned
772	Rock of Ages
15	Glory to thee, my God

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am	Morning Prayer
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Holy Communion <b>at Jean Rummery's, 4 Queen Street</b> led by Revd David Commander <b>No Tuesday Home Group this week</b>
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Coffee Morning at Benenden Memorial Hall <b>No Wednesday Home Group (summer break until 5<sup>th</sup> Sept)</b>
	7.45 pm	Bell Ringing Practice at St George's
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am	Morning Prayer
	6.45 pm	Choir Practice at St George's
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Quarter Peal attempt at St George's

#### Sunday Next: 12<sup>th</sup> August – Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

**8.00 am 1662 BCP Holy Communion** led by Revd David Commander

**10.00 am Morning Worship** led by David Harmsworth

**5.00 pm Evening Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church** led by Revd David Commander

## Readings: Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August

### **Ephesians 4.1-16**

#### **Unity in the Body of Christ**

<sup>4</sup>I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

<sup>7</sup>But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. <sup>8</sup>Therefore it is said, 'When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people.'

<sup>9</sup>(When it says, 'He ascended', what does it mean but that he had also descended\* into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup>He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup>The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup>to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup>until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. <sup>14</sup>We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. <sup>15</sup>But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup>from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

### **John 6.24-35**

<sup>24</sup>So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

<sup>25</sup>When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' <sup>30</sup>So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?' <sup>31</sup>Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." ' <sup>32</sup>Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is that which\* comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' <sup>34</sup>They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.'

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

### **Home Groups:**

**The Tuesday Home Group** meets in Benenden at 8pm but **there will be no Home Group on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> August**. Unless advised, the group meets every Tuesday at its usual venue - David and Julia Collard's.

**The Wednesday Home Group** is taking a break over the summer period. **The group next meets on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September, at 7.30pm at Sandhurst Mission 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 23<sup>rd</sup> 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.

## **Starfish Malawi**

**Get involved in**

### ***Blackboards for Classrooms***

Following our really successful project, Desks4Classrooms, last year, for which we thank you for supporting in an amazing way, raising nearly £9,000, this year we are again in the classroom but aiming to resource the teachers by providing good quality blackboards.

Many teachers in the Primary schools in Malawi are hampered in their teaching by the lack of basic resources, such as decent blackboards to write on and chalk to write with.

This detracts from effective teaching and, despite their efforts to work hard, hampers the progress of the Malawi children.

We aim to tackle this problem by seeking to resource all classrooms in 10 schools with new blackboards, which will be made of thick plaster on the wall, painted with blackboard paint and have a concrete shelf for chalk and erasers. We will also resource up to 13 outside classes per school with wooden framed blackboards.

We are able to have the blackboards made locally in Malawi at a cost of £30 each.

Are you able to partner with us in this project so that the teachers will be able to teach more effectively and the children reach their full potential?

We have called the project “*Blackboards 4 Classrooms*” and really hope that with your help we can achieve our goal of equipping the schools with such a basic resource.

If you can you help ....

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[www.justgiving.com/campaigns/charity/starfishmalawi/B4C](http://www.justgiving.com/campaigns/charity/starfishmalawi/B4C)  
to donate to this project. Thank You.

Kind Regards,

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The RB Davis 10<sup>th</sup> memorial recital/garden party on Saturday July 28<sup>th</sup> raised £560 for Hospice in the Weald. The performers were Oliver Davies (piano) and Adrian Bradbury (cello). Special thanks go to Maureen Sadler and Hamish and Cynthia Brown who organised a delicious tea. The next programme features the Russian pianist Alexander Karpeyev. He will play music from his homeland on Wednesday Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>. at 3pm. in Sandhurst. Tickets in advance from Tel 01580-850384. Gillian Davis.



The Oast Houses Christian Retreat Centre welcomes around 2,800 guests each year and offers Christian hospitality to groups. We are seeking to make several appointments:

- SENIOR HOUSEKEEPER (Monday, Thursday and Friday, 9am – 3.30pm)**
- HOUSEKEEPER (Monday and Friday, 9am – 1pm)**
- ADMIN ASSISTANT (Wednesday 9am – 3.30pm plus annual leave cover)**

Excellent rates of pay offered. Opportunities to pick up extra kitchen duties may be available.

For more information, please phone or email the General Manager at:

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