

The Parish of St George's, Benenden

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

Our Worship – 15th September

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect: Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, 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:
1 Timothy 1.12-17
Luke 15.1-10

Hymns	
664	How sweet the name
698	King of glory
798	The Lord my pasture
Communion anthem - Tallis	If ye love me
Communion hymn - 587	Amazing Grace
766	Praise my soul

4.00 pm MESSY CHURCH
led by Revd David Commander

The Week Ahead

Monday 16 th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer
Tuesday 17 th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd David Commander
	4- 6.00 pm	'Blend' – Youth Group for 11-15 year olds at Sandhurst Mission Church
Wednesday 18 th	8.00 pm	Home Group at Julia & David Collard's
	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Coffee Shop at the Memorial Hall
	7.30 pm	Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
Friday 20 th	7.45 pm	Bell Ringing Practice
	8.00 am	Morning Prayer
	9-11 am	Cakes & Chaos at St George's
	6.45 pm	Choir Practice
	8.00 pm	Monthly Bell Ringing Practice

Sunday Next: 22nd September – Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Readings: 1 Timothy 2.1-7, Luke 16.1-13

8.00 am Holy Communion led by Revd David Commander

10.00 am Morning Worship led by Rickie Bishop

Readings: Sunday 15th September

1 Timothy 1.12-17

Gratitude for Mercy

¹² I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³ even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴ and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶ But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷ To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Luke 15.1-10

The Parable of the Lost Sheep

¹⁵ Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. ² And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.'
³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ 'Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵ When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost."
⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance.

The Parable of the Lost Coin

⁸ 'Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, "Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost."
¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

Home Groups: The Tuesday Home Group meets at 8pm in Benenden, usually at Julia and David Collard's. The Wednesday Home Group meets at 7.30pm at Sandhurst Mission Church. Both groups have now returned from their summer breaks. All welcome.

St George's Cleaning Rota: Plea for helpers! More volunteers are needed to join the cleaning rota at St George's. Our numbers are now very low; and from January may be down to just two. If you are able to help, whether on a permanent, temporary or occasional basis, please do speak to Julia Collard or Jacqueline Hewitt.

Prayers: The funeral of Barbara Barnham will take place at St George's at 11am on Monday 30th September. Please hold the family and Barbara's close friends in your prayers.

***BLEND – Youth Group for all 11 to 15 year olds
Tuesdays from 4 to 6pm
at Sandhurst Mission Church, Back Road TN18 5JU***

**Sunday 29th September – The 5th Sunday of the Month
*Benefice Services***

**8am Benefice Communion at St George's
10am Matins Service at St George's 10am Harvest Service at St Nicholas**

St George's Harvest Festival Service and Lunch

The **Harvest Festival** service this year will be held at 11am on Sunday 6th October, followed by our **Harvest Lunch** in the Village Hall from 12.30 to 3pm.

This year's lunch menu will be smoked salmon terrine, chicken and gammon salad with new potatoes (vegetarian option available), lemon tart with fresh berries and cream, coffee/tea and mints. Soft drinks are included. Wine and beer will be available to buy.

Lunch tickets (£7 for adults, £3.50 for under 12s) will be on sale after main church services, from Benenden's Community Shop or from Lesley Attwood (01580 243318 lesley.attwood@sky.com).

This is always a very popular event, so please book your tickets early.

Volunteers are needed during the lunch to help with general duties such as serving, washing-up etc. If you are willing to help, please sign the list at the back of the church – no cooking required!

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed Service at St George's, Benenden

**Friday 1st November - 7.30pm led by Revd David Commander
(refreshments in church from 7pm)**

***All Saints' Service at St Nicholas, Sandhurst
Sunday 3rd November - 10 am led by Lyn Hayes***

Should you wish the name of a loved one to be read out at either of the above services, please email or telephone Cathy in the Benefice Office:

Tel 01580 850 849 Email: benendenchurch@gmail.com

by Friday 25th October please

The Music Scholars of Benenden School

Concert at St George's

Friday 11th October at 7.30pm

***Tickets - £8 (for adults, under 16s free) available at the door,
from Benenden's Community Shop or from***


Jo Clube Tel 242956 email: jo.clube@aviva.com




**Put down your phones -
Come and have some fun
instead!**

**BLEND - TUESDAYS, AFTER
SCHOOL
Mission Church**



 Blend Sandhurst

 #BlendSMC

If your child would like to attend Blend after school on Tuesdays from 4 – 6pm in term time, please fill out this form and send it to vickijyoung40@gmail.com or Vicki Young, 3 Stumbleetts, Ballards Hill, Northiam, East Sussex TN31 6QT



Child's Name

Parent's Name

Parent's Phone Number

Email

Address

School


I am/am not happy for my details to be kept on St Nicholas' secure database

I am/am not happy for my child's picture to be used for Blend's publicity

Child's medical conditions?.....

Many thanks for returning this. We want to keep your child safe while they are at Blend, and look forward to welcoming them on Tuesday 10th September

**For more information, please contact
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