

**Next week –16<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

**Flower Rota** Vacant

**Thank you** to Val Clay who regularly covers our vacant weeks!

**Cleaning Rota** Yvonne

**JAM** tbc

**Coffee** Steve & Ruth

**Services Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

**10.00am** **Holy Communion**

Leading: Ross Terranova

Reading: David Stevens

Acts 6: 8-15 & 7:1-8 & 7:44-60

Praying: Jenny Stout

Preaching: Ross Terranova

**6.30pm** **Evening Prayer**

Leading: Ross Terranova

Reading: Giles Williams

Genesis 15: 1-6

Praying: Ross Terranova

Preaching: Ross Terranova

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**Prayer Themes for the Week**

Pray for Dean Johnson as he is baptised this evening.  
Pray he will know a special assurance of the presence of God with him

Pray for Kennedy and Soraya. Kennedy has still not secured a curacy for the coming year. Pray that God will provide clear direction for the family.

Pray for Stephen Kemp as he prepares to go to Bangladesh. Pray for all the preparations to be done.

**Mission Prayer**  
**CPAS**

Pray for CPAS Ventures and Falcon holidays that are to take place in the summer holidays.

Pray for the leaders and helpers as they prepare to make these holidays packed full of great activities and masses of fun while giving the youngsters the opportunity to explore life with Jesus.

**The Collect**

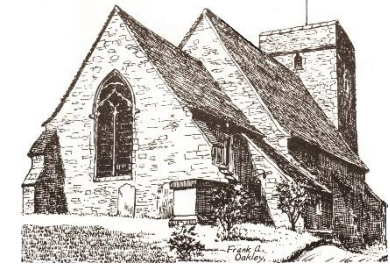
O God,  
the strength of all those who put their trust in you,  
mercifully accept our prayers  
and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you,  
grant us the help of your grace,  
that in the keeping of your commandments  
we may please you both in will and deed;  
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

**Thought for the Week**

*Salvation is found in no-one else,  
for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.*

Acts 4 v 12

# St. Peter's Church



## Welcome

*'We are here to demonstrate God's love for all as shown in Jesus to people where we live and work.'*

**Services Today 9<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

Second Sunday after Trinity

**10.00 am** **Morning Prayer**

Leading: Ross Terranova

Reading: Alan Warner

Acts 4: 1-13 *page 1095*

Praying: Steve Campbell

Preaching: Ross Terranova

**6.30pm** **Evening Prayer**

Leading: Carol Wellbelove

Reading: Chris Williams

Genesis 13:5-18 *page 14*

Praying: Pauline Grimes

Preaching: Ross Terranova

## Welcome to Our Services Today

**This morning**, we continue our series on some of the events in the opening chapters of the book of the *Acts of the Apostles* - our theme from chapter 4 is '**No other Name**'. This is a phrase taken from a sermon delivered by Peter one of the early Christian leaders.

Peter fearlessly preaches that Jesus is the one and only Saviour - and that is a message that the religious and political leaders in first century Jerusalem cannot accept. Sounds rather like the reaction you would get in London or anywhere else in the UK today! What did Peter mean by it? What are the objections to this kind of proclamation today and how should Christians engage with those who do not and cannot accept that Jesus is the only way to God?

**This evening**, we continue with our series on the life of *Abraham* which we have called '*Friend of God - the Gospel According to Abraham*'. Tonight, our theme is from chapter 13 of Genesis is '*Resident or Pilgrim*'.

The evening service will also include the baptism of **Dean Johnson**. As a church family we thank God for the faith that Dean has found in Jesus Christ and this evening celebrate with him.

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### Open Air Service

This will be on **June 23<sup>rd</sup> - at 11am**. Could you please put the date in your diary and make every effort to be there?

*The more of us who are there - the more possible it will be to welcome those who don't normally come to Church!*

Our Pre-School will be involved so it will be great to give the children and their families a very special welcome.

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### Diary for w/c 9<sup>th</sup> June at St Peter's Church

#### Mon

7.00pm - **Prayer@7** – The Golding Room

#### Mon-Thurs

9.00am-3.30pm - **Pre School** – Church Centre

#### Wed

9.30am -11.00am - **Crafty Coffee** - Golding Room

9.00am - **Junior School Assembly** – School

8.00pm – **Small Group** – Brampton Fields

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### Gift Day

Our *Annual Gift Day* this year is on **July 7<sup>th</sup>**. The PCC at its meeting last week made the decision to make work on the **Church Centre** to be the central focus of Gift Day this year.

There is a significant amount of work to do in terms of repair, decoration and renovation to the *Centre*. In recent years our focus has been on the Parish Church - now that shifts to the Centre where so much of our work goes on every week of the year. We want to make it a great place for people to meet and also a place which looks well cared for. Thank you for your continued giving.

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### Church Decorating. Bring Your Own Scrapper!

The re-decoration of the church building will start very soon. Before we begin painting, we need help with scraping the walls to remove any loose, flaking paint. This can be done anytime you have some free time! The Wardens will be putting together a schedule of work.

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### Ditton Church Prayer Chain

We would like to establish a Ditton Church Prayer Chain to respond to urgent prayer needs from within the Church and the wider community, as well as joining in thanksgiving for answered prayers. Speak to Ruth Campbell if you'd like to know more about how a prayer chain works. Then, please let Ruth know if you would like to become a link the Prayer Chain by Sunday 16 June. DBS checks are not necessary to get involved, but some safeguarding training will be required if not already completed. We hope to have the Prayer Chain operational in time for the Open-Air Service on 23 June.

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### Food Bank

Thank you for your generous donations to the Food Bank. The next date for collection will be Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June. Baby food, nappies, toiletries are welcome as well as food products.

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### Church Directory

I will be putting together a new directory in the coming weeks. If you know of any corrections in the current directory or if you would like to be included if you are not in there already, please email Jane in the Church Office or put a note in the Church Centre post box! Thank you

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### JAM and Cakes

The JAM group will be holding a cake sale straight after the service this morning. This is to raise money for the Leprosy Mission.

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### Audio/Visual help

We are very grateful to Stephen Kemp for his faithful service providing the audio/visual service in church each week. He is stepping down from this role to prepare for his move to Bangladesh. If you are interested in helping with this, please contact Jane in the Church Office.

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### Service on the Green

If you are able to help with setting up for the service on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, your help would be appreciated! Please arrive at 9.30am to help with setting up chairs, refreshments etc.

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### Service for Wardens

On Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June there will be a service at St John the Baptist in Watlington. The Archdeacon, Sharon Copestake, will be conducting the service for wardens in the Tonbridge & Malling deanery when the wardens will be sworn in. Tea and cake will be served from 7pm and the service will begin at 8pm. All welcome!

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