Next week 28th July 2024

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<u>Coffee</u> Pauline & Pauline

<u>Musician</u> -

Services Sunday 28th July 2024

10.00am Morning Prayer

Leading: John Paul

Reading: Ruth Campbell

Luke 4: 14-21

Praying: Giles Williams Preaching: John Salter

6.30pmLeading: Chris Williams
Reading: Steve Campbell

Ecclesiastes 2: 24-3: 15

Praying: Pauline Grimes

Preaching: Sermon Series – David Roberston

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Prayer Themes for the Week

Pray for the USA following the attempted assassination of former President Trump. Pray that a land marked by so much division may rediscover the healing power of the gospel.

Pray for an end to the tragedy in Gaza - and for courage and wisdom from leaders on all sides

Thank God for the generous giving of our Gift Day. Pray that all our buildings may be used well for the blessing of our community and for the proclamation of the gospel.

The Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Thought for the Week

In the beginning was the word and the word was with God and the word was God.

John 1 v 1

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 21st July 2024

Eighth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Holy Communion

Leading: John Paul Reading: Ian Cropper

Mark 4: 3-9, 14-20 page 1005 &

Hebrews 12:1-3 page 1210

Praying: Pauline Matthews Preaching: Rachael Knapp

6.30pm Evening Prayer
Leading: Giles Williams
Reading: Justin Myles

John 1:1-13 *page 1063*

Praying: Giles Williams

Preaching: Sermon series- Alec Motyer

Welcome to Our Services Today

A warm welcome to our services today. We have a number of visiting speakers over the summer period. Today we welcome Rev Rachael Knapp. Rachael was Curate here back in the 1990s and at present is Chaplain at Bennett Memorial School in Tunbridge Wells.

This evening, we start the first of a series of DVD sermons preached by people from all over the UK.

Gift Day

Thank you for your generosity! We have received over £13,000 so far.

If you would like to make a donation and are able, please transfer your donation into the Church bank account, this helps with costs.

Church Bank Account Name: St Peters Ditton PCC Account Number 00021526 Sort Code:40 52 40 Cheques should be made payable to St Peter's Ditton PCC.

Michael Morris

We were saddened to hear of Michael's death last Wednesday. We extend our love and our prayers to Maureen and all of the family at this time. Michael was someone held in great affection and love here at St Peter's. He was someone with a rich and deep faith in Christ - and a person who served this church with great faithfulness over many years. We thank God for him and for the great example of Christian discipleship he set over many years. We rejoice that he is now with the Lord whom he loved and served!

<u>Diary for w/c 21st July at St Peter's Church Mon</u>

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

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

9.30am -11.00am - Crafty Coffee - Roma's

Stephen Kemp

Stephen will be leaving to join Joy in Bangladesh next week. As a Church we want to thank Stephen for the many years of service he has given here especially in his role as treasurer and also with the Audio/Visual system. It is good to know that he both he and Joy will be back in Ditton from time to time and we look forward very much to hearing how God has been with them!

Church Decorating. Bring Your Own Scraper!

The re-decoration of the church building will start during the last week of July. Thank you to those who have offered to help. The Wardens will be putting together a schedule of work.

Food Bank

Thank you for your generous donations to the Food Bank. These will be delivered to West Malling. The next date for collection will be Sunday 28th July. Baby food, nappies, toiletries are welcome as well as food products.

Church Administrator

After 7 years of superb service to the Church and community - **Jane Beldham** will be leaving her post at the end of September. We thank Jane for the work she has done.

We are looking for a new administrator! Is this something for you? Would you be interested? For more information, please contact Ross.

Ditton Book Exchange

Can you spare an hour or two every few months? The Book Exchange is run by a group of friendly people, and they are looking for volunteers to join their team. This would involve chatting to people who come to exchange books and puzzles as well as sorting books back onto the shelves. Please talk to Judith Boarer or Jenny Stout for more details.

Prayer Chain

If you would like to be part of Ditton Church prayer chain, please complete one of the forms available TODAY and place it in the basket on the font as you leave Church. You will find a pencil in the pew if you need one. If you'd like to know more before you commit, please ask a sides person for an information sheet or speak to Ruth Campbell. Later volunteers to the prayer chain will be accommodated, but signing up today will enable us to get the chain up and running very soon. Thank you!

Crafty Coffee

From 17th to 31st July, Crafty Coffee will meet at Roma's home. Please speak to Roma if you need directions.

Church Office

The office will be closed over the summer. You can continue to send emails as these will be checked periodically.

Thank you

Maureen and the whole Morris family wish to say a huge thank you to all those who have provided practical help and prayerful support to Michael and the family over the past months, and for all the lovely cards and kind messages.
