



Welcome to St John's, Stoneleigh

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Sunday 22nd September 2019

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome!

We are delighted that you are joining us for worship today and we pray that each of us will meet with God. We thank Rev. John Baxter for taking our service today.

Collect

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Bible readings for today:

First Reading – Psalm 113

Gospel Reading – Luke 16. 1-13

Hymns at our 10.00 am service

Angel Voices, vs 1, 2, 2 and 5 (MP 34)

Give Thanks – twice through with repeats (MP 170)

In Christ Alone – See song sheet

There is a Redeemer (MP 673)



REV. KEN HOBBS

Ken is a retired school teacher and a Non Stipendiary Minister.

He taught geography as a Senior Teacher for 36 years in four schools on two continents including 4 years in a remote corner of Zambia. For more than 20 years he taught at Glyn School Epsom where he had a senior role as

Head of the Faculty of Humanities. He is passionate about Africa and taught it extensively in his professional career.

He has travelled to many parts of the world including Uganda where he was teaching at a clergy conference for the Diocese of Kampala and Malawi with Hope for Malawi. He has considerable experience of Cross cultural mission.

A graduate of the University of Sussex, he has a Diploma from All Nations Christian College and a PGCE from the University of London. He trained for the Anglican ministry at North Thames Ministerial Training Course based at Oak Hill College and holds an Advanced Diploma in Pastoral and Theological Studies from Middlesex University. He was ordained in 1998 and his ordained ministry has included 10 years as the part time Vicar of Albury near Guildford where he witnessed substantial church growth. His Grove Book "Growing Churches through House for Duty Ministry" tells this story. He returned "home" to St Paul's Howell Hill in 2011.

He has a lifetime's experience of working with children, families and young people and uses his teaching skills and experience to make the Bible come alive.

He is married to Margaret (also a teacher) and they have two married children and 4 grandchildren.

He is currently pastoral minister at St Paul's offering two days a week in coordinating the pastoral ministry of the church including Mid Week Focus, Hendford Nursing Home and the work of the three Pastoral Assistants. He has an extensive funeral ministry with local funeral directors to families who may have little or no church connection but would like a Christian Minister to take the service. Holding a "Permission to Officiate Licence from the Bishop, he has often been away from St Paul's on Sundays preaching at other churches in the

Deanery and beyond. That will now change as St John's becomes his priority!

His interests are eating, golf, gardening, travel, cycling and Norwich City Football Club.

Rev. Ken Hobbs will be joining St John's from 1st October and we hope that you will all meet with him in due course.

Janis Forder and Ken Mussell

UPCOMING SERVICES

Rev. John Baxter will be taking services on the 25th and 29th September

Janis Forder

HARVEST FUN CRAFT WORKSHOP

On Saturday 5th October, 10.30-12.30, the Children's and Youth committee are hosting a fun workshop in Church. A variety of Harvest related creative activities will take place for young children and primary school ages.

BUT, all are welcome to come and get involved, whether you are 9 or nearer 90, to celebrate Harvest through craft. A quiz, pot decoration with seed planting, sticking and colouring are just some of the hands-on activities. Watch out for any scarecrows!

Mike Gittins, Children + Youth Committee

QUIZ NIGHT

Please make a note in your diaries that the next quiz night at St John's will be on Saturday 26th October at 7 p.m. There will be a fish and chips supper and the cost will be £12 per person to allow for the increase in the supper costs. Please bring your own drinks. Teams of 6 as usual but anyone who needs a team can be allocated one nearer the time. A sign up sheet will be provided and tickets will be on sale later in September.

Claire Cornell

REV. HAYDON WILCOX - PILGRIMAGE

Every year The Revd. Haydon Wilcox leads a holiday/pilgrimage to Iona in Scotland. This is the island where St. Columba founded his monastic order and took Christianity to Scotland and parts of northern England.

Staying at Bishop's House, the Anglican Retreat House, there is the opportunity to join in the worship of the Iona Community at the famous Abbey. We have days out to Staffa to see Fingal's Cave; wildlife exploring on the Island of Mull and walking the pilgrim's path on Iona. There's the village dance to attend, the sea to swim in, beautiful beaches to chill out on, lots of craft shops to explore and many times to be still and relax. A rhythm of worship is offered but not mandatory, in Bishop's House and at the Abbey. The place is filled with history, beauty and treats like cream teas! There is a great sense of safety travelling with a party, knowing that everything is organised, whilst having the freedom to do one's own thing. People often travel with their partner, who may not be particularly religious. No pressure is put upon anyone and people of no faith are encouraged to pursue their interests like walking, photography,

drawing and bird watching. Bishop's House offers an inclusive package and the accommodation is homely and welcoming. The food is excellent, with special needs catered for.

If you are interested in receiving a brochure and booking form then email: haydonwilcox@mac.com or ring **07843770234**. **The dates are: 14th - 22nd August 2020. We are limited to 23 places.**

ST JOHN'S CHOIR

I picked up a vinyl L.P. record in the Broadway at the charity shop. It is titled Stoneleigh Parish Church Choir 1967. Apparently it was an all male choir at the time. I have a list of all the singers and organist if anyone is interested. If anyone has a record player they are welcome to borrow it and possibly record it to a CD.

Janis Forder

TRAIDCRAFT NEWS

The new Autumn/Winter catalogue has now been published and a few are in church for you to look at. Additional copies are on order and will be with us soon.

In line with the streamlining of Traidcraft as an organisation to make them viable, the reorganisation has required a reduction to the product range. There will be less small craft gift items and a bigger emphasis on food and more expensive craft products.

So we cannot hold stock of the more expensive items and will now encourage you to look at the catalogue, decide what you would like and place your order with us. We will still maintain a monthly stall, but it will become less extensive – and our next stall will be on Sunday 6th October – Harvest Sunday.

The good news is that the Fairtrade cocoa beans have now arrived, and very soon we will see the return of the fabulous Double Chocolate Cookies.

Veronica and Mike Gittins

NOTICE SHEET

I am not in the office the week commencing the 23rd September so there will not be a notice sheet on Sunday 29th September.

Kerrie Winter

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

Friday 27th September:

- NESCOL Café 12pm to 1:30pm

Friday 4th October:

- Hearing Clinic 12pm to 1pm
- NESCOL Café 12pm to 1:30pm

Sunday 6th October:

- Harvest Festival All Age Service

Thursday 10th October:

- Tea 'n' Tunes 1:30pm to 3:30pm

Wednesday 16th October:

- David Wiltshire's House Group

Thursday 17th October:

- Third Thursday Coffee Morning 10:30am
Contact Roger Blake for information on 020 8393 1724.

Monday 21st October September:

- Craft club 10am to 12pm

**Items to be included in the next notice sheet should be emailed by
8am next Friday to Kerrie Winter, the Vicar's Administrator, at
office@stjohnsstoneleigh.org.uk**

OUR REGULAR SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S

Sundays at 8.30am:

Holy Communion – a 'said' service held in the side Lady Chapel using Common Worship.

Sundays at 10.00am:

1st Sunday of the month: Worship Together – a family friendly service sometimes including Holy Communion.

Followed by refreshments.

Other Sundays at 10.00am: Holy Communion – a service with hymns and a sermon followed by refreshments. Each week there is a dedicated family area in church for very young children and in term time there is a children's group in the Parish Centre.

MIDWEEK SERVICES

Tuesdays at 9.15am:

Morning Prayer using Celtic liturgy, including prayer together and times of silence. Held in the Lady Chapel for around 20 minutes.

Wednesdays at 10.00am:

Holy Communion – a reflective service using the Book of Common Prayer held in the lady chapel. Refreshments are served afterwards with a time for conversation.

Thursdays at 6.00 pm:

Evening Prayer using Celtic liturgy, including prayer together and times of silence-held in the Lady Chapel for approximately 20 minutes.

Please speak to those administering communion if you would like to receive either a gluten free wafer or non-alcoholic wine.

At any of our Communion services, if you would like to receive Communion but find walking difficult, please speak to a Welcomer at the door and they will arrange for Communion to be brought to you in your seat.

This Church has a loop system. Hearing aid wearers should turn their aids to "T".