



St John's, Stoneleigh Weekly Newsletter

Sunday 13th September

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

Music

Tell out my soul
All Heaven declares
There is a Redeemer
I the Lord of sea and sky

Readings

Acts 1: 1-11
Matthew 28: 16-20

A MESSAGE FROM REV. KEN HOBBS

Welcome to week 6 of our combined services. We continue to welcome around 50 people each Sunday. In my absence this week, we welcome Rev. Michael Dunk of St Paul's Howell Hill who will take the service today.

GOOD NEWS!

We are being offered a curate by the diocese as an associate minister with effect from July next year. This is a great answer to prayer and we are in discussion with a prospective candidate. Please pray for discernment at this time and for the right decision to be made. This is a generous offer by the diocese as training posts in the diocese are limited.

God bless you

Ken

AUTUMN SERIES AT ST JOHN'S

20th September – Patterns in Church Growth
27th September – Power in Church Growth

Rev. Ken Hobbs

APCM – 11th OCTOBER 2020

A reminder to everyone that our annual APCM will be held at 11am on Sunday October 11th after the 10am service. It will be held in the large hall, with appropriate distancing, plus on Zoom. Please ensure that Lynda and the office have all the necessary reports in by 4th October and that all documents are sent in Word format. There are vacancies for an assistant church warden plus members of the PCC. Please let Rev. Ken or one of the church wardens know if you are interested. Coffee will be served in the hall.

Janis Forder and Ken Mussell

KEEPING IN TOUCH AND PRAYERS

The WhatsApp group, Facebook and website will continue to be updated so please keep in touch. Any prayer requests for the prayer board can still be submitted to Jean Tutton.

Rev. Ken Hobbs

SUNDAY SERVICES

Don't forget you can join us live on Sunday at 10am using this link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86852818063>

For those of you who do not have access to the internet you can now join our Sunday Worship by phone. Dial this phone number: 0203 051 2874 You will be asked to enter the meeting ID followed by # (hash). Key in: 868 5281 8063#. You will be asked for a personal ID, just press # again and you will be connected to the Service. If you want help with this speak to John Simon (phone 0775 187 4807).

For security reasons we need to start using a "Waiting Room". This means that you may have to wait a short while for me to let you join the service".

John Simon

THURSDAY COFFEE MORNING

Each Thursday, St John's will be hosting a coffee morning via Zoom. Please join us at 10:30am using this link. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83134817320>

The link will be the same each week.

Rev. Ken Hobbs

SUNDAY SERVICES

We are pleased many of you are able to join us in church as well as Zoom. For those attending church, please be reminded of the following:

- Refrain from entering if you are feeling unwell or have experienced any COVID-19 symptoms in the past seven days
- Take responsibility for your own safety and that of your household and other people by maintaining social distancing.
- Wear a mask/face covering, if you are able to do so.
- Observe all hygiene measures.
- Ensure children are supervised at all time.

If anyone should have any queries or indeed feel unsure and would like more information, then please do get in touch with either of us or Rev. Ken.

Ken & Janis, Church Wardens

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FOODBANK

Last time I wrote I described how the members of the early church organised themselves into caring for the community particularly the hungry. It just so happens that this week a new museum has opened in Stoneleigh which illustrates how care was organised for the desperate in London in the late 1800's early 1900's. The Original Cockney Museum celebrates the huge amount of support given to charitable organisations which is the mission of the Pearly Kings and Queens.

Personally, I'm interested in going to see the display of beautiful suits, each adorned with an individual pattern full of meaning - but I'm grateful that today I can support the Foodbank without having to struggle with needle and thread!

The list of requirements this week is very similar to the last list with one very noticeable improvement - all the items marked 'we have run out' are now 'low stock.' This means that our kind donors have been careful to supply items which are most needed. Thank you so much.

We have run out of Sponge Puddings, Instant Mash, Powdered Milk, Jam. Very little stock of Kids Treats, Sugar (500g bags please), Tea bags, Coffee, Custard, Washing Up Liquid, Tinned Meat (but not Spam), Breakfast Cereal - especially weetabix (but not porridge), Tomato Ketchup, Baby food, Nappies – Size 3 & 6+, Shaving Gel, Shower Gel, Shampoo, Conditioner, Pump Soap.

Thank you.

Polly Elder

Worship at Home/Church

Order of Service (from our worship booklet)

Theme – The Story Begins

Greeting p3

Hymn Tell out my soul

Confession p7 (Most merciful God)

Hymn All Heaven declares

Collect

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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

1st Reading – Acts 1: 1-11 read by Maggie Savill

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying² with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. 'This', he said, 'is what you have heard

from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with³ the Holy Spirit not many days from now.'

So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

Gospel Reading Matthew 28: 16-20 read by Maggie Savill

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'²⁸

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith p14 (Though he was divine)

Prayers p15 - Joan Simon

Peace p17 (Christ is our peace)

Hymn There is a Redeemer

Communion Prayer H p33

Breaking of the bread P19 (We break this bread)

Prayer of Humble Access p20 (Most merciful)

Distribution of Bread (music may be played)

Prayer after Communion p22 (Almighty God)

Hymn I the Lord of sea and sky

Blessing p23

Book of Remembrance:

Dorothy Margaret Cutcliffe, Leslie Edward Mason,
Reginald William Pinn, Enid Brenda Webber

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