

## Welcome!

*We are delighted to see you, especially if this is your first visit. Please do join us for refreshments in the hall after the 10.30am service.*

Today		living well
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
9.30am	Breakfastzone - b'fast from 9.15am	
10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	
During the Week		
Tues	9am Morning Prayer <i>in the church</i>	
	9.30 – 11.30am Open House Parent & Toddler group <i>in the Lounge</i>	
Wed	9am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee in the Lounge</i>	
	6.30 – 7.30pm Prayer Meeting <i>in the Rose Price</i>	
Thurs	10.30 - 11.30am Prayer Meeting <i>in the Ark</i>	
	2.30pm Chat@St Matts <i>in the Hall</i>	
	7.15pm Worship session <i>in the church – see note</i>	
Sat	9am Men's Breakfast <i>Palace Hotel</i>	
Sunday 10 July		living well
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
10.30am	All Age Worship	
12pm	Church Family BBQ	
5.30pm	Prayer Meeting <i>with cup of tea at 5pm</i>	

### Collect

Creator God,  
 you made us all in your image:  
 may we discern you in all that we see,  
 and serve you in all that we do;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Readings

### James 3: 1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly. <sup>2</sup> We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check. <sup>3</sup> When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. <sup>4</sup> Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go. <sup>5</sup> Likewise, the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark. <sup>6</sup> The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup> All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures are being tamed and have been tamed by mankind, <sup>8</sup> but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup> With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. <sup>10</sup> Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be. <sup>11</sup> Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring? <sup>12</sup> My brothers and sisters, can a fig-tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water.

### Matthew 5: 31-37

<sup>31</sup> 'It has been said, "Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce." <sup>32</sup> But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, makes her the victim of adultery, and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery. <sup>33</sup> 'Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, "Do not break your oath, but fulfil to the Lord the oaths you have made." <sup>34</sup> But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God's throne; <sup>35</sup> or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King. <sup>36</sup> And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black. <sup>37</sup> All you need to say is simply "Yes," or "No"; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.



**Sunday 10 July** after the All Age Worship - BBQ to welcome our new curate Stephen and his family. There will be games and a bouncy castle for the little ones! Please come and sign up today so that we have an idea of numbers for catering. Burgers and hot dogs provided £1.50 each. Bring your own picnic extras if you wish!

For your prayers this week	
Sun	We pray for Breakfastzone and other services; praying that the Holy Spirit will work in power through the leaders. We pray for the effect of the Big Sing on the worship life of the Church.
Mon	For the leaders of our nation - for peace, unity and understanding and for the choice of our Party Leaders. For Kevin Foster our local M.P.
Tues	For all who are sad at the recent referendum and how they voted.
Wed	For the young people of Torbay and our Church and for Ruth Jones our youth worker.
Thurs	For Stephen Yates and family soon to join the staff of the church.
Fri	For so many in our church having tests in hospital, unwell in their homes and for the housebound. For those bereaved and having funerals.
Sat	For the poor and those without homes that they may find refuge in Jesus Christ. For the Men's Breakfast at the Palace Hotel with David Wilkinson.
Sun	For our staff team and others taking any part in services: welcomers, collection collectors, lesson readers, administrators of chalice and patten, those who tidy up afterwards. Praise God for each one.

Father God, you love me and you know me inside out.  
 You know the words that I will say before I speak them out.  
 You are all around me, you hold me in your hand,  
 your love to me is more than I can ever understand.

Father God, from your love there is nowhere I can hide.  
 If I go down into the depths or cross the ocean wide,  
 there your love would find me, you to take me in your hand.  
 Your love for me is more than I can ever understand.

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## What's On & News



**TODAY** There will a short meeting at 12pm in the church for anyone who is able to help with the BBQ next Sunday.

**Church Family Notice Board in the hall** - this board has recently been 'tidied up' – please check here for news from the church family about upcoming events, sponsorship requests, for sale and wanted etc. Currently **Rowcroft sponsorship** being requested for the **Sleep Walk** and **Rowcroft Coffee Morning on 16 July!** Please take a look.

**The funeral of Berenice Davies** will take place on 14 July at 2pm at Stockman's Chapel at 230 Torquay Rd, Preston, Paignton. All are welcome to attend.

**Thank you** to the new volunteers who have come forward to join the church cleaning team. It is much appreciated. We are just short of a few people now to clean the brass! Please see Jean or the office. Thank you.

**Prayer Pastors** The Street Pastors are looking for more prayer pastors to join the team. For more info see Jean Fricker who is already a prayer pastor.

**New Wine 31 July - 6 August** Half week bookings now available. A great way of giving it a try and joining other St Matts folk going (Sun-Wed or Wed-Sat). See JB for details.



**Calling all musicians and vocalists** We are having a get together for current active musicians, vocalists (and prospectives!) to practise and worship together on Thursday 7 July at 7.15 for a 7.30pm start in church. See Jon Bevins for more information.

**Men's Breakfast Sat 9 July** at the Palace Hotel with David Wilkinson as speaker. See Charlie to book or email on [c.allansen@btinternet.com](mailto:c.allansen@btinternet.com)

**Elevate 25-29 July Upton Vale Baptist Church** Filling up fast but there are some spaces still available. For more information or to get a booking form please see Ruth Jones. (It is for young people in year 6 to year 11.)

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