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Sunday 31 July 2016

Sea Sunday

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

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	All Age Worship with baptism

During the Week

Tues	9am Morning Prayer <i>in the church</i>
Wed	9am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee in the Lounge</i>
	6.30-7.30pm Prayer Meeting <i>Rose Price</i>
	7.30pm St Matt's Cats <i>in the church</i>
Thurs	10.30-11.30am Prayer Meeting <i>in the Ark</i>
	2.30pm Chat@St Matts <i>in the Hall</i>

Sunday 7 August

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Breakfastzone with b'fast at 9.15am
10.30	Holy Communion (CW)

Collect

Lord of heaven and earth,
as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer,
give us patience and courage never to lose hope,
but always to bring our prayers before you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings

John 1: 1-5

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning. ³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

John 8: 12

When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.'

1 John 1: 5-7

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. ⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

Matthew 5: 14-16

⁴ You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

For your prayers this week

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Sun	The All Age Worship and Baptism. Remember all being baptized and their families.
Mon	For all our children and young people moving schools. For all those expecting A level and GCSE results, and for guidance for their future.
Tues	For those countries where there have been atrocities. For the families and friends of those killed or injured.
Wed	For the Yates family as they settle in to their new home at 3 Redgate Close. For all who are ill. Pray especially for Elizabeth's god-daughter undergoing a huge brain operation today. Pray for Kevin Foster our MP.

Thurs	For Chat @ St. Matts, that this will be a happy time together.
Fri	For peace and trust in our world and local community, as well as the Church.
Sat	For the leaders of the nations, especially for the USA with their upcoming elections.
Sun	For all members of the staff leadership team and for Pere with administration from the office.

What's On & News

**Friends of St Matthias
Organ Recital by John Bryden
20 August at 7.30pm**

Tickets £10 to include wine and nibbles
- on sale after church or from the office

TODAY The hall floor is still out of action while it is being sanded and re-varnished. Back to normal on Wednesday this week.

Chat @ St Matts This week Thursday 4 August in the hall at 2.30pm. Come along and bring your friends. Tea, cake, puzzles and fellowship.

Open Church Did you know that St Matthias Church is open every week day from 10am – 12.30pm to welcome visitors to look around, visit the chapel, pray or have a quiet chat and cup of tea? There is a long established team of volunteers who do this but would welcome any newcomers to go on the reserve list to help with holiday cover etc. If you would like to join or would like more information, please see Pere in the office.



Alpha coming soon. Watch this space! October start...

St. Matthias' Church Pre-School – A BIBLE FOR A CHILD

As in previous years the Management Committee of our Pre-School are presenting a children's Bible to each of our 30 children leaving the Pre-School at the end of July to go to main school. We would hope that the parents may read the stories to the children and also that the Bible would be treasured in years to come and be a reminder of what they learnt in Pre-School. The cost will be

£9.50 per Bible. If anyone would like to 'Buy a Bible' or make a donation towards the cost, please put your donation in one of the blue envelopes in the pews, write 'BIBLES' on the outside and hand it in with the collection or pass it on to our Treasurer, Tony Barratt. Even better, if you are a tax payer then your donation can be gift-aided if you put your name and address (or giving number) on the envelope. Please offer a prayer for the recipient as you give your gift. Thank you so much. **Sylvia Barratt** (Chair of Management Committee)

Dates for the diary:

7 September Licensing of Adrian Prescott Church Army evangelist (who will be living in Ellacombe) 7pm at Torre Abbey.

11 September Stephen Yates is being ordained at Exeter Cathedral at 10am

18 September Church Family Lunch to officially welcome Stephen as curate and to say farewell to Mike Hackeson.

9 October Harvest Lunch. Volunteers required to coordinate a bread and cheese lunch. Please see the office if you would like to help.



Picnics!

Messy/B'fastzone/Prayzone

Sat 13 Aug 12 noon

Cockington

Open House toddlers

Tues 16 Aug at 10am

Pine Room

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