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Sunday 4 September 2016

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.

Sunday 4 September	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Breakfastzone with breakfast at 9.15am
10.30am	Holy Communion (CW) with interview with Cecil Johnston back from Uganda
During the Week	
Tues	9am Morning Prayer
	9.30-11.30am 'Open House' parents and toddlers <i>in the Lounge</i>
Wed	9am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee in the Lounge</i>
Fri	6.30-8pm Youth Club <i>in the Hall</i>
Sat	9am Men's Breakfast at Kents Cavern Café <i>with Andrew Green</i>
Sunday 11 September	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	All Age Worship
5.30pm	Prayer Meeting <i>in the Hall with tea from 5pm</i>

Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit
upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:
grant that your people may be fervent
in the fellowship of the gospel
that, always abiding in you,
they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen

Psalm 19: 1-6

- ¹ The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
- ² Day after day they pour forth speech;
night after night they reveal knowledge.
- ³ They have no speech, they use no words;
no sound is heard from them.
- ⁴ Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,
their words to the ends of the world.
In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun.
- ⁵ It is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber,
like a champion rejoicing to run his course.
- ⁶ It rises at one end of the heavens
and makes its circuit to the other;
nothing is deprived of its warmth



Come all you people, come and praise your maker (x3)
Come now and worship the Lord.

The musical score is written on three staves in a single system. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with lyrics 'Ky - ri - e, Chri - ste,' repeated three times. The second staff continues the melody with lyrics 'e ste e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e, Chri - ste, ky - ri - Chri -'. The third staff concludes the phrase with 'e, ste, Ky - ri - e Chri - ste e - lei - son. son.' The lyrics are aligned with the notes, and some notes are beamed together. The system ends with a double bar line.

Janyce Pringle

Readings

Philemon 1

¹ Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our dear friend and fellow worker – ² also to Apphia our sister and
Archippus our fellow soldier – and to the church that meets in your home:

³ Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ I always thank my God as I remember you in my prayers, ⁵ because I hear about
your love for all his holy people and your faith in the Lord Jesus. ⁶ I pray that
your partnership with us in the faith may be effective in deepening your
understanding of every good thing we share for the sake of Christ. ⁷ Your love
has given me great joy and encouragement, because you, brother, have
refreshed the hearts of the Lord's people.

⁸ Therefore, although in Christ I could be bold and order you to do what you
ought to do, ⁹ yet I prefer to appeal to you on the basis of love. It is as none
other than Paul – an old man and now also a prisoner of Christ Jesus – ¹⁰ that I
appeal to you for my son Onesimus, who became my son while I was in
chains. ¹¹ Formerly he was useless to you, but now he has become useful both to
you and to me.

¹² I am sending him – who is my very heart – back to you. ¹³ I would have liked to
keep him with me so that he could take your place in helping me while I am in
chains for the gospel. ¹⁴ But I did not want to do anything without your consent,
so that any favour you do would not seem forced but would be
voluntary. ¹⁵ Perhaps the reason he was separated from you for a little while
was that you might have him back for ever – ¹⁶ no longer as a slave, but better
than a slave, as a dear brother. He is very dear to me but even dearer to you,
both as a fellow man and as a brother in the Lord.

¹⁷ So if you consider me a partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸ If
he has done you any wrong or owes you anything, charge it to me. ¹⁹ I, Paul, am
writing this with my own hand. I will pay it back – not to mention that you owe
me your very self. ²⁰ I do wish, brother, that I may have some benefit from you
in the Lord; refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹ Confident of your obedience, I write to
you, knowing that you will do even more than I ask.

²² And one thing more: prepare a guest room for me, because I hope to be
restored to you in answer to your prayers.

²³ Epaphras, my fellow prisoner in Christ Jesus, sends you greetings. ²⁴ And so do
Mark, Aristarchus, Demas and Luke, my fellow workers.

²⁵ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

Luke 14: 25-35

²⁵ Large crowds were travelling with Jesus, and turning to them he said:²⁶ 'If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters – yes, even their own life – such a person cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

²⁸ 'Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it?²⁹ For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule you, ³⁰ saying, "This person began to build and wasn't able to finish."

³¹ 'Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Won't he first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand? ³² If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. ³³ In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples.

³⁴ 'Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? ³⁵ It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure heap; it is thrown out.

'Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear.'

Some topics for our prayers this week. Please pray for the following:

Sun	For today's services, especially the young people in Breakfastzone.
Mon	For trust, unity and peace especially in France and Germany. For all who suffer as a result of "natural" disasters especially in Italy.
Tues	For people returning from their holidays that they may feel refreshed. For all who are sick, housebound or bereaved, that they may know God's presence and healing.
Wed	For Adrian Prescott, Church Army Evangelist, being licensed today to work in Ellacombe. Pray for his ministry there.
Thurs	For migrants and refugees and all who need a home, especially those in the Torbay area.
Fri	For the Parish Staff who minister to us so faithfully.
Sat	For the Men's Breakfast, praising God for all the men in our congregations.
Sun	For Stephen Yates being ordained in Exeter Cathedral. Pray, too, for Victoria and their family.

What's On & News



Alpha Course With recently updated material, Alpha is a weekly evening course exploring the basics of the Christian faith – questions are encouraged! The course looks at topics like: *Who is Jesus? Why did he die? How should I pray? How and why should I read the bible? Does God heal today?* ... speak to the welcome team for more information. Beginning on Tues 1 Nov – 6 sessions before Christmas and 4 weeks afterwards ending on Tues 24 Jan. See posters.

New minister at Central Church, Torquay Rev Jon Doble's welcome service is on Sat 24 Sept at 7pm. St Matthias has been invited to send some along some representatives. Please let John B know if you could go.

Mike Hackeson Has decided to retire as organist here at St Matthias after 34 years! His last official Sunday is not until 2 October but we will be marking his long service at the lunch on 18 September. If you would like to contribute towards a gift please place it in a blue envelope marked 'Mike'. Thank you.



Gamechangers As young people of the church we have been working together to form a 'Gamechanger' group. In this group the young people would like some support from the congregation to help us achieve our aim to make people's lives better in the name of God. At the moment we have decided to support **Operation Christmas Child**. We would like the Church to buy presents and we will pack them in boxes to be sent to children less fortunate than us. All of these children are ecstatic with a toothbrush or a doll and really appreciate what they get given. Therefore we would like to give them something to brighten their Christmas and we will be thankful for your help. The deadline for bringing in your gifts will be **30 October**. Thank you. Please see the back of this leaflet for information about appropriate gifts. *The Gamechangers*

Michael MacDonald has recently had a hip replacement and would like to thank everyone who has been praying for him. Thank God he is making very good progress.

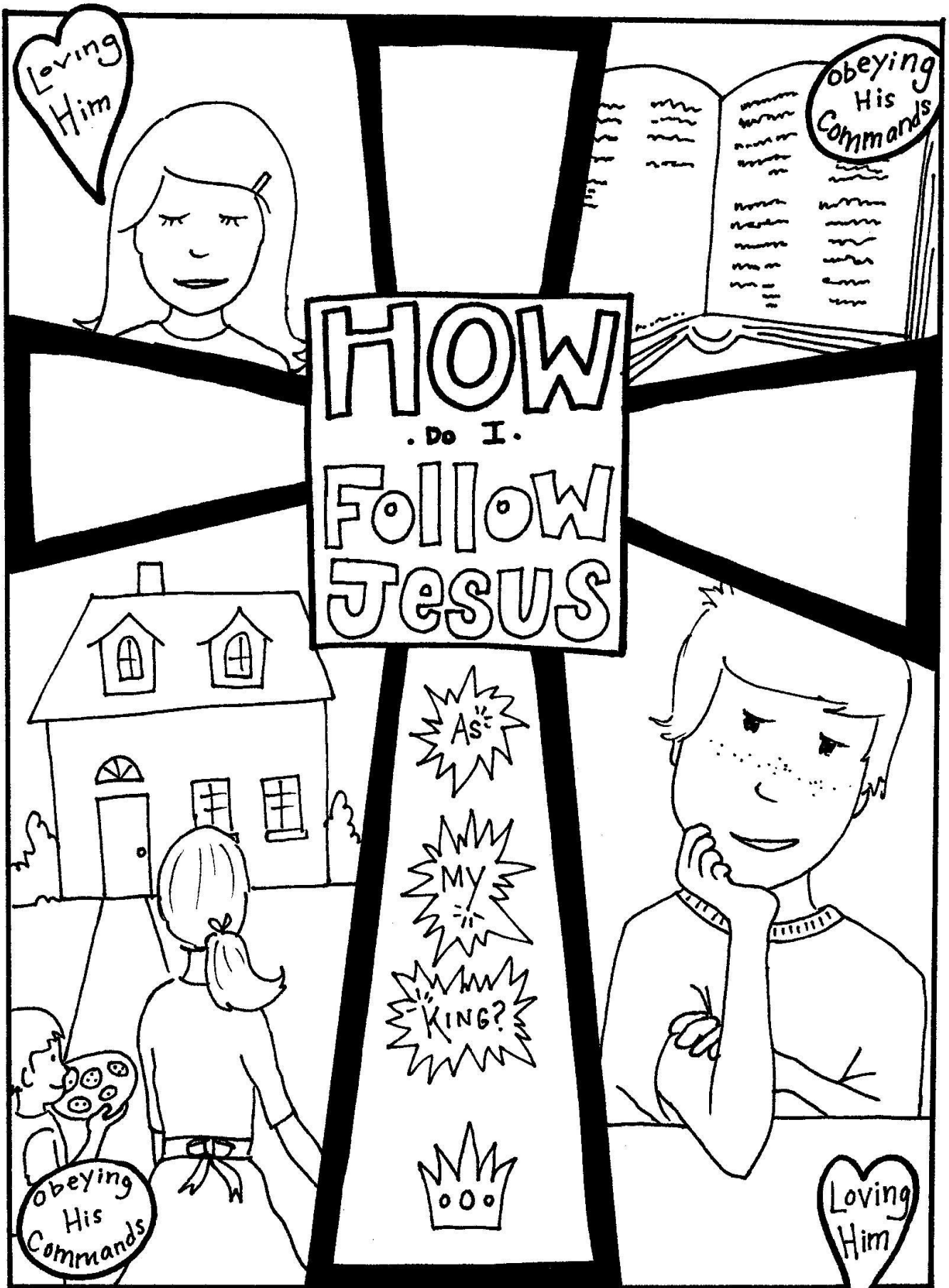
Messy Church thank you to all the very generous givers to the Messy Church funds. *Norma*

Coffee Rota please pick up your new rotas from the pigeon holes. Begins next Sunday. Thank you.

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.



- 7 September** Licensing of Adrian Prescott Church Army evangelist (who will be living in Ellacombe) 7pm at Torre Abbey
- 10 September** Men's Breakfast at Kent's Cavern Café – guest speaker Andrew Green – contact c.allansen@btinternet.com to book
- 11 September** Stephen Yates is being ordained at Exeter Cathedral at 10am
- *18 September** Church Family Buffet Lunch to officially welcome Stephen as curate and to say farewell to Mike Hackeson. **In order to help with catering arrangements, please sign the list on the notice board in the Hall.***
- 20 September** Messy Church
- 24 September** Friends of St Matthias Blackberry and Apple Pie Fayre 10.30am – 2.30pm in the church and Hall. More details soon.
- 8 October** Callington Community Gospel Choir Concert at 7pm – see posters for details
- 9 October** Harvest bread and cheese Lunch. We now have a coordinator for this (thank you) but will need some helpers. Please see the office if you would like to help.
- 29 October** Church Family Jollyween party
- 19 November** Coach trip to Cardiff



Mandy Groce '10

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Operation Christmas Child Packing List

Items can be for either a boy or a girl and for one of the following age categories: 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14.

We are happy to accept any of the following:

Toys: dolls or stuffed toys (with CE label), toy trucks, harmonica, yo-yo, skipping rope, ball, small puzzles etc.

School supplies: Pens, pencils & sharpeners, crayons or felt pens, stamps & ink pad sets, writing pads or notebooks & paper, solar calculators, colouring & picture books etc.

Hygiene Items: Toothbrush and toothpaste, bars of wrapped soap, comb or hairbrush, flannel.

Other Items: hat, cap, gloves or scarf, sunglasses, hair accessories, jewellery set, wind up torch, wrapped sweets (best-before-date must be at least March of the following year).

Please do not give us any of the following as we are not able to accept it:

Used or damaged items, war related items such as toy guns, play soldiers or knives; chocolate or other food items; liquids or lotions of any type including bubbles; medicines; hand-made or knitted stuffed toys; anything of a political, racial or religious nature; sharp objects; glass containers, mirrors or fragile items; playing cards of the 4-suit variety; clothing other than as listed above.

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