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**Sunday 25 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.*

### Today

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Morning Worship <i>with Thanksgiving for Rohan</i>
10.30am	Prayzone <i>in the hall</i>
12.30pm	Baptism of Lydia and Megan

### During the Week

Tues	9am Morning Prayer
	9.30-11.30am 'Open House' parents and toddlers <i>in the Lounge</i>
	7.30-9.30pm St Matts Cats
Wed	9am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee in the Lounge</i>
	6.30-7.30pm Prayer Meeting <i>in the Rose Price</i>
Sat	<i>Licensing of Steve Vans Colina at Exeter Cathedral at 2.30pm</i>

### Sunday 2 October

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Breakfastzone
10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)

### Collect

God, our judge and saviour,  
 teach us to be open to your truth  
 and to trust in your love,  
 that we may live each day  
 with confidence in the salvation which is given  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Readings

### 1 Timothy 6: 6-19

<sup>6</sup> But godliness with contentment is great gain. <sup>7</sup> For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. <sup>8</sup> But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. <sup>9</sup> Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

<sup>11</sup> But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. <sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses. <sup>13</sup> In the sight of God, who gives life to everything, and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you <sup>14</sup> to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup> which God will bring about in his own time – God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, <sup>16</sup> who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honour and might for ever. Amen. <sup>17</sup> Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. <sup>18</sup> Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. <sup>19</sup> In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

### Luke 16: 19-end

<sup>19</sup> ‘There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. <sup>20</sup> At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores <sup>21</sup> and longing to eat what fell from the rich man’s table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.

<sup>22</sup> ‘The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried. <sup>23</sup> In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. <sup>24</sup> So he called to him, “Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.”

<sup>25</sup> 'But Abraham replied, "Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. <sup>26</sup> And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us."

<sup>27</sup> 'He answered, "Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family,<sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment."

<sup>29</sup> 'Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them."

<sup>30</sup> "'No, father Abraham," he said, "but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent."

<sup>31</sup> 'He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

<b>Some topics for our prayers this week</b>	
Sun	Pray for all taking part in today's services and for those being baptised.
Mon	There are so many areas in our world where there are conflicts and oppression. Pray for peace and understanding.
Tues	For preparations for the Community Gospel Choir Concert on 8 October. For young people in their school and social lives.
Wed	For her Majesty the Queen, her family and all who rule over us.
Thurs	For the elderly of our church and town who sometimes feel marginalized and lonely - that they know God's love for them at all times.
Fri	Pray for our emergency services who face many dangers in their work. For all who serve us - council operatives, post people etc.
Sat	Pray for our doctors and nurses who look after our health. Pray that the problems in the NHS will be resolved soon without strikes.
Sun	Pray for today's services, that Jesus will be lifted high. Pray for all members of our staff and all who help in any way. Pray for Pere our Church Administrator who has contacts with many people outside the church.

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# What's On & News

Thank you to all those who have offered to help with the **Harvest bread and cheese Lunch** on 9 October. Now we just need some people to eat it! Please sign up on the list in the hall.

\* **Coach Trip to Cardiff** \* 19 November \* Lovely day out \* sign up in the hall \*



**Alpha Course** begins on Tues 1 Nov at 7.45pm in the Lounge.

**Tim van Kroonenburg** is being ordained as Deacon on 1 October at 11.30am at Cathedral Church of St Mary and St Boniface, Plymouth. All welcome.



**Gamechangers** The young people of the church are supporting Operation Christmas Child. Please pick up a leaflet on your way out today for more information. Thank you for helping us to achieve our aim to make people's lives better in the name of God.

The deadline for bringing in your gifts will be **30 October**. *The Gamechangers*

**"Exploring Vocation"** Sat 15 October 2016, St Luke's Chapel, Exeter. One day event led by Rev Hannah Alderson, Vocations Development Officer for the Diocese. Tel: 01392 724804 for more information.

**Exploring Christian Spirituality and Spiritual Accompaniment** is a course being planned by the Diocese to start in Jan 2017. For further details contact Revd Helen Bays 07722 106632. Deadline for applications 9 October.

## St Matthias Events

<b>8 Oct</b>	Men's Breakfast at the Palace Hotel – speaker Alan Poole	
<b>8 Oct</b>	Callington Community Gospel Choir Concert at 7pm here at the church – see posters for details. Tickets on sale today in the hall - £5.	
<b>9 Oct</b>	Church Family Harvest bread and cheese lunch	
<b>29 Oct</b>	Church Family Jollyween party 5-7pm in the hall – fun, food, games and activities. Please do join us.	
<b>19 Nov</b>	The annual coach trip to Cardiff - £16 payable in advance. Sign up in the hall. Numbers limited so hurry and book your place!	