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Welcome!

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

Today	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)
6pm	Youth-led Service
	During the Week
Tues	9am Morning Prayer
	9am Open House parent and toddler group in the Lounge
	7.30pm St Matts Cats
Wed	9am Holy Communion followed by coffee in the Lounge
Thurs	10.30am Prayer Meeting in the Ark
Ascension	7pm Holy Communion
Day	
	Sunday 28 May
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Morning Worship
10.30am	Prayzone

Collect Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

Psalm 100

¹Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

² Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

³ Know that the LORD is God.
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;

give thanks to him and praise his name.

⁵ For the LORD is good and his love endures for ever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

John 6: 28-40

²⁸ Then they asked him, 'What must we do to do the works God requires?' ²⁹ Jesus answered, 'The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent.' ³⁰ So they asked him, 'What sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do? ³¹ Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written: "He gave them bread from heaven to eat."" ³² Jesus said to them, 'Very truly I tell you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' ³⁴ 'Sir,' they said, 'always give us this bread.' ³⁵ Then Jesus declared, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.³⁶ But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. ³⁷ All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. ³⁸ For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. ³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all those he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. ⁴⁰ For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day.'

1 Peter 2: 4-10

⁴ As you come to him, the living Stone – rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him – ⁵ you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For in Scripture it says: 'See, I lay a stone in Zion,

a chosen and precious cornerstone,

and the one who trusts in him

will never be put to shame.'

⁷Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe,

'The stone the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone,' ⁸ and,

'A stone that causes people to stumble

and a rock that makes them fall.'

They stumble because they disobey the message – which is also what they were destined for. ⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

For our prayers and praise this week	
Sun	As we meet around the Holy Table may we each know God's presence in a
	special way. Pray for the young people leading the Youth led Service and
	may many young people and others truly worship together.
Mon	Pray for the <u>"Thy Kingdom Come Week"</u> that people all over the country
	will commit to pray. Details elsewhere today.
Tues	Praise God for all who collected for Christian Aid and all who gave money.
	Pray for all groups that use our church or halls, that they may feel
	welcomed and at home.
Wed	Praise God for our Staff Team. Pray that John and Ruth will find
	refreshment of body, soul and spirit during their break.
Thurs	Ascension Day May we worship and adore our crucified and now ascended
	Lord sitting at God's right hand. Pray for those leading the worship.
Fri	Think of all the Nations with new Governments or impending elections.
	Pray for trust, unity and harmony in all they do. Pray for our Nation as we
	soon come to Election Day. May the right people be chosen.
Sat	Pray for all the Home Groups, Alpha Courses and other groups meeting
	around the Parish.
Sun	Pray for all who are ill, housebound or in other trouble, that they may find
	Jesus meeting them at their point of need.

Wine and Nibbles! *A date for your diary: Mon 5 June at 7.45pm in the Hall*

An Illustrated talk by Hannah Snow about her recent work in Senegal, W Africa, as a volunteer for Y Care International.

Christian Aid If you have not had an envelope delivered to your house but would like to contribute, please use one of the envelopes in church and put it in the collection.

Lost Property Your last chance today to take away any lost property. Please have a look at the display in the hall at coffee time. Anything not claimed today will be taken to a charity shop. Thank you. *Pere*

New Youth and Children's Worker? Accommodation needed... Ruth Jones finishes her degree course this summer and will be moving on to find a full time youth work post. The PCC have decided to advertise for another person and we may need to find accommodation for them (allowance paid). If anyone has a spare room/flat please could you speak to Pere Snow for more information.

Church Family Picnic Sunday 25 June Please join us on the green outside the court at Cockington for a picnic/get together/games after the morning service, weather permitting! It's the day of the Classic Motorcycles Show so there will be a food stall. Anyone needing a lift, please see the Social Core group.

Ann Adams it is with sadness that we let you know that Ann Adams, a former long-standing member of St Matthias, has died. Our prayers are with Stanley and their family. The memorial service will be at St John's Church, Bishopsteignton on 24 June at 2pm.



Thy Kingdom Come The Archbishop of Canterbury's call to prayer for our country begins this week on 25 May Ascension Day. Various events are planned including a prayer meeting here on 25 May @ 10.30am, a service at Exeter Cathedral at 6.30pm on 4 June, and a church family prayer walk around St

Matthias Parish boundary on 11 June. Pick up a leaflet today for further details. Also – Justin Welby's talks on church unity will be shown at St Matthias on 31 May and 6 June.

STOP PRESS HELP REQUIRED Urgent need for someone to head up the cooking for the next Messy Church on Tues 20 June. Please contact Norma if you can help on 322836. Also urgently require additional helpers to clean the church on a rota basis approx once every 6 weeks. Please see Jean. Thank you.