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Sunday 4 June 2017

Pentecost Sunday

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)
9.30am	Breakfastzone <i>with breakfast at 9.15am</i>
10.30am	Holy Communion (CW) with Revd Barry Dugmore (Diocesan Mission Enabler) <i>(with us wearing something red or orange!)</i>
6.30pm	<i>Thy Kingdom Come service at Exeter Cathedral – meet by the Hooker statue on Cathedral Green at 6pm</i>

During the Week

Mon	7.45pm Talk by Hannah Snow about Senegal <i>in the Hall</i>
Tues	9am Open House parents and toddlers <i>in the Lounge</i>
	7pm Justin Welby's talks on church unity (video) <i>in the Hall</i>
Wed	9am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee in the Lounge</i>
	7.30pm St Matt's Cats
Sat	9am Men's Breakfast Palace Hotel <i>with Bill Allen</i>

Sunday 11 June

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	<i>All Age Service</i>
11.45am	Prayer Walk around the parish

Collect

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
revive your Church with the breath of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings

Acts 2: 1-21

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: 'Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?' ⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs – we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!' ¹² Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, 'What does this mean?'

¹³ Some, however, made fun of them and said, 'They have had too much wine.'

¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: 'Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ "'In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.

¹⁹ I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.

²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood

before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

²¹ And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

John 7: 37-39

³⁷ On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, ‘Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. ³⁸ Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.’ ³⁹ By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

For our prayers and praise this week	
Sun	Praise God for the two Archbishops’ initiative of <i>Thy Kingdom Come</i> urging Christians all over the world to pray more and with more imagination. Pray for any initiatives in our church.
Mon	Praise God for Hannah Snow's time of service in Senegal, West Africa. Pray that we may be challenged by her presentation.
Tues	Praise the Lord for the collections towards the East African Emergency Appeal and Christian Aid, praying that the money raised will be used carefully and wisely.
Wed	Praise God and strengthen all members of the staff team in all they do; and for others who minister by reading, Prayer Team, Pastoral Team, church cleaning, flower arranging, social care and others who minister practically and spiritually.
Thurs	Pray for the prayer meetings held here, that folk will see the need of corporate prayer and want to please the heart of God.
Fri	Pray for all who are sick, housebound, bereaved or finding life difficult. Pray, too, for all those selling their homes and moving elsewhere.
Sat	Pray for the Men's Breakfast with the speaker Bill Allen. Pray it may not 'just' be a good breakfast but that we may all be encouraged and challenged.
Sun	Pray for the walk around the boundaries of the Parish. Pray that it be used as a time of prayer and fellowship. Pray for safety and care.

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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.

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.



Thy Kingdom Come The Archbishop of Canterbury's call to prayer for our country has begun. There's:

- a service at Exeter Cathedral at 6.30pm TODAY (4 June) to which we will take our Prayer Boxes from the St Francis Chapel
- a church family prayer walk around St Matthias Parish boundary on 11 June. Map and walk guide available today.

STOP PRESS HELP REQUIRED Additional helpers to clean the church on a rota basis approx once every 6 weeks. Please see Jean. Thank you.



Sunday Coffee Makers the new rota is now available. Please pick up your copy from the pigeon holes in church.

Church Centre Bookings Church groups are always welcome to use the rooms in the Centre but please book with Pere in advance as we may need to adjust the cleaning schedule accordingly.

On 18 June we welcome Bishop Nick to take our 10.30am Holy Communion service at which several people will be confirmed. Please pray for them.

'Girls Allowed' possibly the name of our new women's group...please save the date: Wed 28 June, 7.30-9.30pm, to come and eat pizza, enjoy time together with some simple crafts, and discuss how we might meet on a regular basis. Details and tickets (£3) from Ruth Beckett (293119), Sue Day and Marjorie Broadhead.

Diana and Alan Taylor would like to thank all at St Matthias for their concern and prayers following Diana's recent accident. We have felt so upheld by them. We would also like to thank all those who have offered help in so many practical ways.

Sat 10 June @ 7.30pm **Birmingham Community Gospel Choir** at All Saints Church Babbacombe. Tickets from Jan & Geoff Bradley 01803 369936.