

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.*

Today	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	All Age Worship with baptism of Louis Crook
11.30am	Special church meeting about plans for the near future including an update on the re-ordering
5.30pm	Evening Holy Communion
During the Week	
Mon	12.30pm Matt's Knits – <i>new social knitting group</i>
Tues	9am Morning Prayer
	7.30pm St Matt's Cats
	7.30pm Girls Allowed <i>in the Hall</i>
Ash Wed	9am Morning Prayer
	12 noon Lent Lunch <i>in the Hall</i>
	7pm Holy Communion
Thurs	10.30am Prayer Meeting <i>in the Ark</i>
Sunday 18 February	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Holy Communion (CW) <i>with visiting speaker from Christian Aid</i>
5.30pm	Youth – led service
Mon 19 th	6.30am Torbay early morning prayers <i>in the hall – all welcome</i>

Collect

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land,
the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons;
as we bless you for all you have created,
may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Bible Readings

Psalm 8

¹ Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory in the heavens.

² Through the praise of children and infants
you have established a stronghold against your enemies,
to silence the foe and the avenger.

³ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

⁴ what is mankind that you are mindful of them,
human beings that you care for them?

⁵ You have made them a little lower than the angels
and crowned them with glory and honour.

⁶ You made them rulers over the works of your hands;
you put everything under their feet:

⁷ all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild,

⁸ the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea,
all that swim the paths of the seas.

⁹ Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Gospel Reading

Matthew 6:25-33

²⁵ 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? ²⁷ Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?

²⁸ 'And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labour or spin. ²⁹ Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. ³⁰ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you – you of little faith? ³¹ So do not worry, saying, "What shall we eat?" or "What shall we drink?" or "What shall we wear?" ³² For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. ³³ But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Welcome

Welcome in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy and peace be with you
and also with you.

Come, let us sing to the Lord our God;
raise the roof to the Rock of rescue.

Come into the presence of the Lord with thanks;
raise the rafters with songs of praise.

The Lord is the great God, over all;
greater than every other power.

He holds the depths of the earth in his hands,
and the mountain peaks belong to him.

The ocean is the Lord's: it was made by God;
the land was formed by his own hands.

Come, let us bow before the Lord our maker;
with humble hearts we worship God.

The Lord is God and we are his;
we are the Shepherd's very own flock.

Song

Tell me who made all of creation?

Who designed the wonders of nature?

Whose idea was pattern and colour, wonderful to see

Everywhere around me, I can see the hand of God,

The evidence surrounds me, In the greatness of His world.

Tell me who made music and laughter?

Who designed our bodies to start with?

Whose idea was thinking and feeling? Who gave life to me?

Don't stop looking, don't stop believing,

God is to be found when you seek Him.

All creation tells of his glory, for eternity

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Bible Reading – Psalm 8

Song 394 Jubilate, everybody

11th February 2018

All Age Worship

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Planet Doctor



Introduction to the Baptism

Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me. Do not stop them'.
We thank God for Louis who has come to be baptized today.
Christ loves him and welcomes him into his Church. So I ask you all:

Will you support Louis as he begins his journey of faith? **We will.**

Will you help him to live and grow within God's family? **We will.**

The minister then addresses the parents and godparents:

Will you pray for him, and help him to follow Christ? **We will.**

The Decision

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light.
To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.
Therefore I ask:

Do you turn to Christ? *(which means trusting him as Lord)*

I turn to Christ.

A time of confession follows

Do you repent of your sins?
(the things that separate us from God and neighbour)

I repent of my sins.

Do you renounce evil?

I renounce evil.

We receive God's forgiveness

We affirm our faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life
to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Baptism

Louis, I baptize you in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The sign of the cross is made on the forehead, saying

Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of his cross
Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

**Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ against sin,
the world and the devil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
restore in you the image of his glory,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ. **Amen.**

We pray for God's World

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever, Amen.

The Welcome

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:

Louis, by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body.

We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;

we are children of the same heavenly Father; we welcome you.

Giving of a lighted candle

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.

You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.



Hymn 200 Great is thy faithfulness

Blessing

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord **In the name of Christ, Amen**



Living on One World –

Do you have a LOW footprint lifestyle?

How many Worlds would be needed to sustain the global population if everyone on the planet lived like you? Find out your ecological footprint by simply answering the following questions...

ENERGY: The majority of the energy you use is likely to come from burning fossil fuels, which release carbon dioxide (CO₂). **Assuming this is the case, you must start this section with a score of 6 points...**

- Does your electricity come from a renewable source, such as wind turbines? If so, subtract 1 point.
- Do you burn peat or logs as an energy source in your home? If so, subtract 1 point.
- Do you set your thermostat low? Is your home well insulated? Do you have double-glazed windows? And do you only turn the heating on when absolutely necessary rather than keeping it on timer all year? If yes to at least 2 of these, subtract 2 points.

FOOD

- Do you follow a vegan or vegetarian diet? If so, score 4 points.
- Or only eat meat occasionally? If so, score 7 points.
- Or eat meat usually? If so, score 8 points.
- Or eat meat with every meal? If so, score 10 points.

TRANSPORT: Do you travel:

- Usually by car? If so, score 3 points.
- Sometimes by car? If so, score 2 points.
- Mostly by public transport? If so, score 1 point.
- Mostly by walking and/or cycling? If so, score 0 points.

HOLIDAY: When you last went on holiday, did you:

- Holiday close to home? If so, score 1 point.
- Holiday in Europe, or take a short flight? If so, score 2 points.
- Take a long flight to get away? If so, score 6 points.

MATERIALS & WASTE: The consumption of material goods and the production of waste is normally the largest part of a European ecological footprint. Choose one option from each side of the grid overleaf to derive your score:

	Recycling →	
Waste Production ↓	Majority NOT Recycled	Majority Recycled
Above Average	23	11
Average	16	8
Below Average	8	4

SCORES:



Less than 11: Excellent! You are Living on One World – a truly LOW footprint lifestyle. If everyone lived like you, then human and non-human existence could be sustainable and equitable. About 69% of the world's population have an ecological footprint in this range.



12- 20: Well done, you are close to having a LOW footprint lifestyle. Even so, if everyone lived like you, we would still need more than one planet to sustain us. About 14% of the world's population have a footprint in this range.



20-40: Your ecological footprint is close to or above the European average. If everyone lived like you, we would need 2 or 3 additional planets to sustain us. About 12% of the world's population have an ecological footprint in this range.



40-50: Your ecological footprint is close to the North American average. If everyone on the planet lived like you, we would need 3 or 4 additional planets to sustain us. About 5% of the world's population have a footprint in this range.

HEALTH WARNING *This quiz gives only a crude estimate of your personal footprint. You may also like to visit www.greenchristian.org.uk*

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Torquay Community Larder donations requested as the number of guests has risen to 40/50 a week: we particularly need cereal, long life milk, tinned veg, tinned fruit, instant coffee – thank you.



Contact Lists new lists now available. £1 to cover printing costs please. Available from church today or from the office during the week.

“Sleuth” ... the next Friends of St Matthias’ event at The Little Theatre on 17 March. Tickets on sale now £8.50 - proceeds to support the church.

Girls Allowed: come and enjoy a Chinese Meal to celebrate Shrove Tuesday 13th Feb 7.30pm in the Hall. Tickets in advance - £8.50 from Ruth.

Fish & Chip & Film night Saturday 3rd March in the Hall at 7pm. Share a meal together and watch a film - "Their Finest". Tickets must be bought in advance £7.50 each. Soft drinks supplied.

Confirmation If you are interested in being confirmed please have a word with one of the clergy. There will a confirmation service here on 18 March as part of Bishop Sarah’s visit.

Messy Church Tuesday 20 Feb at 3.15pm

For our prayers and praise this week	
Sun	Praise God for our Church, and pray that the Re-ordering may be done to His glory and the funds be met by His people in the Church. Pray for the meeting after Church and for Louis Crook being baptised today.
Mon	Pray for all who serve, all who lead the services, read the Bible, lead prayers, make music, clean and decorate. Pray for those who are lay Pastors in the hospital, the school and Street Pastors and their prayer supporters.
Tues	Pray about gender equality, especially in salaries and job opportunity.
Wed	Pray for persecuted churches in the world. May Christians have the wisdom to know when to speak up and when to remain quiet.
Thurs	Praise God for His creation, and that mankind will protect and respect it. Thank God for the things we take for granted; taps that give water; sun that makes plants grow; flowers and trees and all that makes our world beautiful.
Fri	Thank God for all those who have signed up to help the social life of the Church. Pray that we may all play our part in making our church “outward looking”, and a caring community.
Sat	Pray for all preparations for Lent. May we all examine our lives and ask God to help us use the time to draw closer to Him.
Sun	As we enter church may we realise we enter Holy Ground and worship in Spirit and truth. May the staff team lead us with wisdom and strength.