



Welcome!

*We are delighted to see you, especially if this is your first visit.
Please do join us for refreshments at 10.30am today.*

Today	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Coffee and birthday cake for Mike Blunsum in the hall – all welcome!
11am	United Family Service with baptism
5.30pm	Evening Communion Service
During the Week	
Mon	12.30pm St Matt's Knits <i>in the Lounge</i>
Tues	9am Morning Prayer <i>in church</i>
	9-11.30am 'Open House' Parents and toddlers group <i>in the Lounge</i>
	3.15pm Messy Church
	7.30pm St Matt's Cats
Wed	9am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee in the Lounge</i>
	12pm Christian Aid Lunch in the Hall – all invited!
	7.30 – 9.30pm Girls Allowed <i>in the Lounge</i>
Thurs	10.30am Prayer Meeting <i>in the Ark</i>
	7 for 7.30pm An evening of jazz with Jane Wibberley <i>in the Hall</i>
Sat	Pentecost weekend workshops at 10am, 2pm, 3.30pm 7pm special celebration service
20 May Pentecost <i>please wear something red or orange!</i>	
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Growzone <i>in the hall</i>
10.30am	Coffee in the hall
11am	Holy Communion
6.30pm	<i>Thy Kingdom Come service at Exeter Cathedral – minibus at 5.15pm</i>

Contacting the Church

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Readings

Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26

¹⁵ In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty) ¹⁶ and said, 'Brothers and sisters, the Scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit spoke long ago through David concerning Judas, who served as guide for those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷ He was one of our number and shared in our ministry.' ²⁰ 'For,' said Peter, 'it is written in the Book of Psalms: "May his place be deserted; let there be no one to dwell in it," and, "May another take his place of leadership."

²¹ Therefore it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus was living among us, ²² beginning from John's baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection.'

²³ So they nominated two men: Joseph called Barsabbas (also known as Justus) and Matthias. ²⁴ Then they prayed, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which of these two you have chosen ²⁵ to take over this apostolic ministry, which Judas left to go where he belongs.' ²⁶ Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles.

Matthew 6: 5-15

⁵ 'And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ⁶ But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. ⁷ And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

⁹ 'This, then, is how you should pray:

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

¹⁰ your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

¹¹ Give us today our daily bread. ¹² And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one."

¹⁴ For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. ¹⁵ But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

Collect

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with power and compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father. Amen

For our prayers and praise this week

Sunday	Praise God for Mike Blunsum and the years he has served God faithfully. Pray for him as he celebrates his 90th birthday.
Mon	Pray for Amy and David Roche as they are soon to return to the UK. Praise God for all he has done through them and as they say all their goodbyes.
Tues	Pray for peace and unity in our world - pray for the leaders of the nations.
Wed	Pray for the Diocesan Chancellor that he will be guided by God in making his report and licensing the reordering. Pray that more finance will come in and thank God for those who give so sacrificially.
Thurs	Praise God that Jesus ascended into heaven and sits at your right hand and intercedes for us in heaven.
Fri	Thank God and pray for the Staff team and all who help lead our Church including the PCC in all the decisions they have to make, especially with regard to the Reordering of the Church buildings and surrounds.
Sat	Praise God for His dear Holy Spirit. So pray for this special weekend "When the Spirit comes..." praying that the Spirit may come upon us all.
Sun	Pray for the services today and especially for Growzone. Pray they may know the Holy Spirit's guidance and strength.

What's on and notices

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) You have probably heard that there are new data protection regulations and they come into force on 25 May 2018. They affect us just like any other charity or organisation. An individual's consent is now needed in order for us to continue to contact you so please pick up and complete a form today (or you may have had this via email). Cecil Johnston will be available after the services today if you have any questions. Thank you.

Girls Allowed Wed 16 May – a picture quiz, time to chat and poetry to ponder. £3 donation on the night. Sign up in the hall or email Ruth jrmp@btinternet.com

Thurs 17 May **If you have ever wondered** what jazz is and where it came from, do come to the evening of entertainment with Jane Wibberley and friends and travel from the deep south via Russia and central Europe and find out how they find themselves in New York and BROADWAY and all that jazz! For tickets and further information ring 291033. Tickets £10/£8 to include wine, bread and cheese.

If you have a story you would like to share about life in Torbay as part of the Heritage radio project working with Warberry Academy, please speak to John or Stephen for more details.

Thy Kingdom Come 20 May evening service at Exeter Cathedral – leaving via minibus from St Matts at 5.15pm (service 6.30pm) or make your own way there.

Good news: we're going to be able to welcome children to the Lord's Table at St Matthias' soon... Please take a leaflet which explains how and why.

If you are a parent of a child of any age please can you also **add your name to the list** on the clip board since we want to ensure every parent has the opportunity to consider whether this is a step they want for their children. For many people, this will be a welcome step, for others they may have some concerns. Please read the leaflet carefully and come to the Sunday teaching from 27th May onwards to find out more.

Christian Aid Week Sun 13 – 19 May Can anyone help with the house to house collections? If so please phone John or Sheila on 297656 or see them in church. Packs available to collect after 11am services on Sun 13 May.

Choir and cream tea! Saturday 16 June @2.30pm, Tickets £7, further details from Anya or look out for posters around the church anyajones@yahoo.com
Tickets available on Sundays and from the office.



Pentecost Weekend

Program for Saturday

	Adults	Young People	Children
9.30am	<i>Coffee and refreshments</i>		
Session 1 10 – 11.15	Welcoming the Holy Spirit...Who?	Watch a film, or go to Forest School activities, or young people may like to join adult seminar	
11.15	<i>Coffee and refreshments</i>		
11.30 – 14.00	Watch the Royal Wedding – bring along a packed lunch		
Session 2 14.00 – 15.00	Welcoming the Holy Spirit...What?	Teaching sessions, some with Anne Roberts	Forest School with two short teaching sessions included
15.00 – 15.30	<i>Tea and squash</i>		
Session 3 15.30 – 17.00	Welcoming the Holy Spirit...How?	Teaching session	
17.00 – 19.00	<i>Home for supper</i>		
19.00	Celebration Service in Church (children welcome)		

Program for Sunday

Kevin and Anne will be speaking at our usual services with children and young people's Sunday groups as part of the 9.30am Growzone.

To book your place – sign up on the noticeboard in the hall or at the back of church. *We especially need to know **how many children** will take up the offer of activities in the Pine Room and Forest school.*

