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Sunday 18 October 2015

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.

Sunday 18 October

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)
12.30pm	Baptism of Luke Allansen
6pm	Youth Service

During the Week

Tues	9am Morning Prayer
	9.30-11.30am 'Open House' Parents & Toddlers – the Lounge
	from 3.15pm Messy Church
Wed	9am Holy Communion followed by coffee in the Lounge
Fri	6.30 – 8pm Youth Club in the Hall

Sunday 25 October

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am	Morning Worship - Bible Sunday with a presentation by the Gideons
10.30am	Prayzone - Bible Sunday with a presentation by the Gideons

Contacting the Church

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Creche, Toilets, Baby Changing Facilities

At 10.30 communion services there is a staffed crèche in the Lounge downstairs and children's groups, but if you wish to stay in the service, toys are available at the front of the church. Baby changing facilities are available in both toilets on the lower ground floor. There is a disabled access toilet at this level on your left as you exit church.

Readings for Today

Acts 16: 6-12a

⁶ Paul and his companions travelled throughout the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been kept by the Holy Spirit from preaching the word in the province of Asia. ⁷ When they came to the border of Mysia, they tried to enter Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus would not allow them to. ⁸ So they passed by Mysia and went down to Troas. ⁹ During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.'¹⁰ After Paul had seen the vision, we got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. ¹¹ From Troas we put out to sea and sailed straight for Samothrace, and the next day we went on to Neapolis. ¹² From there we travelled to Philippi, a Roman colony and the leading city of that district of Macedonia. And we stayed there several days.

Luke 10: 1-9

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. ² He told them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. ³ Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. ⁴ Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road.

⁵ 'When you enter a house, first say, "Peace to this house." ⁶ If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Stay there, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house. ⁸ 'When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. ⁹ Heal those there who are ill and tell them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."



Suggested topics to help in our private prayer time	
Today	Pray for the services today that we may all hear God speaking to us. Pray especially for the baptism of Luke Allansen and the Youth Service.
Mon	Pray for John Beckett our Rector in all he does in leading the people of God in St. Matthias Church. With him pray for Ruth in what she does by

	way of support and in her demanding job as a teacher.
Tues	Pray for "Messy Church" this afternoon, for the children taking part, for their parents and for the helpers for strength and wisdom as they lead.
Wed	As the Bible directs us we pray for all who lead in any way - our country, our Queen, the Royal family, our Prime Minister, our Ministers of State; County Council, our Mayor and Councillors in Torquay. We remember all in the essential and emergency services; our teachers and others who bear responsibilities in our town.
Thurs	We pray for our Church leaders in St Matthias and elsewhere, for John, Paul and the clergy team, all members of staff and those who lead Home Groups and other organisations.
Fri	Pray for Ruth Jones our Youth Worker and for all the young people, especially this evening's youth club. Pray they will really enjoy their time and find a blessing being with other young people.
Sat	Please pray for the Start study group and the Prayer Meetings. Pray for the Mission of the Parish that we may all be diligent in making Jesus known wherever we are involved with people.
Sun	Bible Sunday. Thank God for the Bible and what it teaches us for our Christian pilgrimage. Remember all the services today, especially for Philip as he shares how the Gideon movement uses the Bible to extend the Kingdom of God. Pray that we may use God's word in our daily lives.

Collect

Almighty God, you called Luke the physician,
whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician
of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit
and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel,
give your Church the same love and power to heal;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen.

What's On & News

The church family contacts list is now available at the back of church. £1.

Winter Shelter Project at St Matthias Preparations are being made for this to take place next February. The core team are now in place but more volunteers

are needed to help. If you are interested please see Malcolm & Avril Ford today at the end of the service or contact the office.

Jollyween Saturday 31 October A family party celebrating light from 5-7pm in the Hall. Fun, games, food, all welcome. *No fancy dress please.*

Bible reading notes for next year They need to be ordered soon. Please let Suzy Young know if you would still like to receive them. Pay now and receive 10% discount!

All Souls Thanksgiving and Remembrance Service Sunday 1 Nov at 4pm A special service of thanksgiving at St Matthias Church, an opportunity to come together with other people who have faced the loss of a loved one, to give thanks to God and to draw fresh strength and hope from Him.

Home Start Presents Unfortunately the Home Start presents scheme has had to close and so will not be distributing Christmas presents to children as in previous years. Suzy Young is looking for another scheme we could take part in.

Tea towels..... thank you to the current and past members of the tea towel team for their good work. We are looking for someone to join the team for the 4th Sunday of each month. Can anyone help please? If so please contact the office.

Linx (Christian Youth Trust) are holding their seventh annual coffee morning and book sale on Sat 7 Nov 10am - 1pm at Highview, Rosehill Rd, Torquay. They have more than 800 novels, biographies and children's books all in excellent condition at a bargain price of £1.50!

Coach Trip to Cardiff Saturday 21 November A great opportunity to get some Christmas shopping, enjoy lunch and explore this lovely city. £16 payable in advance and please put your name on the list in the hall. Cheques or cash can be handed into the office (clearly marked Cardiff) or to Sue Gray.

On the Journey Together – dementia and the local church Come and learn more about dementia, the Dementia Friends initiative, and how we can welcome and support people living with dementia. The day is ideal for church people supporting care homes or offering pastoral care for those living with dementia. We welcome Christians from across the denominations and from different traditions. Please bring a packed lunch. Tue 3 Nov 10-4pm, Central Church, Tor Hill Rd, Torquay TQ2 5RF. To book contact Joan Harris, Exeter Diocese, 01392 294940 or joan.harris@exeter.anglican.org