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26 May 2019 Sixth Sunday of Easter

## 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)		
9.30am	Prayzone		
10.30am	Coffee in the Hall		
11am	Morning Worship		
5.30pm	Prayer Meeting		
During the Week			
Tues	9am Morning Prayer		
	12.30pm Matts Knits	in the Lounge	
Wed	9am Holy Communion	followed by coffee in the Lounge	
	7.30pm Matt's Cats		
Thurs	7pm Holy Communion for Ascension Day		
Sat	9am Men's Breakfast at Riviera Centre – speaker Gary Lee		
Sunday 2 June			
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)		
9.30am	Breakfastzone		
10.30am	Coffee in the Hall		
11am	Holy Communion		

## **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

## Readings

#### Matthew 6: 9-15

- <sup>9</sup> 'This, then, is how you should pray:
- "Our Father in heaven,
- hallowed be your name,
- <sup>10</sup> your kingdom come,
- your will be done,
  - on earth as it is in heaven.
- <sup>11</sup> Give us today our daily bread.
- <sup>12</sup> And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.
- <sup>13</sup> And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one."
- <sup>14</sup> For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. <sup>15</sup> But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

#### Revelation 21: 10 & 22-end

- <sup>10</sup> And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God.
- <sup>22</sup> I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. <sup>23</sup> The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp. <sup>24</sup> The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their splendour into it. <sup>25</sup> On no day will its gates ever be shut, for there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup> The glory and honour of the nations will be brought into it. <sup>27</sup> Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

## Revelation 22: 1-5

<sup>1</sup>Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup> No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. <sup>4</sup> They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup> There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.

For our prayers and praise this week		
Sun	Pray for today's services	
Mon	For school children and their families as they begin half term week	
Tues	For the work of our mission partners especially Linx	
Wed	Pray for those involved in the tourism industry	
Thurs	Pray for our persecuted brothers and sisters around the world	
Fri	For those who volunteer in church in any way	
Sat	For those who are suffering either through illness or bereavement	
Sun	Continue to pray for students taking exams	

**Wellspring Update** Our final services in the church will be on Pentecost Sunday 9 June. Thereafter services will be in the Hall.

**Fundraising continues** as we endeavour to reach our target. There will be a gift day on 2 June. Thank you to those who have pledged money – we would ask that you now consider redeeming your pledges or consider making one if you have not yet done so. If you donate via the blue envelope please mark it 'reordering'. Great news…we have just received another grant for £25,000.

# What's on and News

The Friends of St Matthias have an unexpected vacancy for a **treasurer**. If you are interested or would like to know more please speak to the chairman of the Friends, Rob Newman, on 01803 524215 or 07305 681522.

**Pigeon holes** back of church – please empty them this week or next before we close for the building work to begin. I'm told there are still some Christmas cards in there!

Car parking – from Monday 3 June the car park by the West Door will be closed as the building work gets under way. From Sunday 9 June the main car park will be for disabled use only on Sundays. (Limited space available during the week.)

The new **Open Doors World Watch List** 2019 is now available. Open Doors is one of the charities we support as a church family. This booklet gives information on the top 50 countries where persecution of Christians is the highest. There are copies available at the back of church or contact Linda Townsend on 07790640372.

**Spring Harvest** bookings for next year open soon. For more information please have a chat with someone who went this year.

Congratulations to Liz Sampson, Pre-School Manager, for becoming the Guinness



World Record Holder for the fastest marathon dressed as Elvis in the recent London Marathon and for raising £1495 towards the upgrading of the Forest School play area. Well done!

'Thy Kingdom Come' is the Archbishop of Canterbury's initiative for prayer between Ascension and Pentecost. Our teaching this week will be on the Lord's Prayer. Look out for resources to help you pray in the coming week.



**Love South West** is a united weekend of worship, service and invitation. There will be an evening celebration at Plymouth Pavilions on Friday 7 June at 7.30pm. See lovesouthwest.org.uk for more info.



Do you like going to art exhibitions, with coffee and a chat too? Then why not visit Mike Burt — an award winning artist — who is currently hosting an exhibition of pictures in St Marychurch. Phone Mike on 01803 328229 to arrange a time. No obligation to buy, just a chance to browse and chat. More information in the Linkway. (If any money is raised though, it will go to the Wellspring Project.)

Riviera Centre, 11 & 12 June 6-8pm **'Voices from our Community'** (music, dance and drama from Cuthbert Mayne and other schools) in aid of Rowcroft Hospice, Young Carers Torbay, Compassion UK.

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Thanks go to...Chat @ St Matts and the care homes ☺

Giving to support the church: We encourage people to give via the 'Parish Giving Scheme' (PGS) from their bank accounts. That's why the collection plate often goes around empty! So, if you are new to St Matthias, please do not feel you need to put any cash into the collection plate but do ask one of the Welcomers for more information about the PGS. Thank you.