

**SIGNPOST**  
the weekly newsletter of  
**St George's, Tuffley**  
with **St Margaret's, Whaddon**

**Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering**  
**'Growing God's Kingdom'**



**Sunday worship**  
**29 May 2022**

**EASTER 7**  
**Welcome**

Please take a moment to introduce yourself to our Vicar Rachel or one of our Church Wardens, (Mike or Sylvia at St George's) (Jonathan or Hans at St Margaret's) or the door steward. If visiting St George's, please join us for tea/coffee after the 10.30am service. Both churches are fitted with an inductive loop; to hear the service better those with hearing aids should switch them to the appropriate setting.

**To protect everyone,**

Following a PCC decision on Tuesday 17 May the wearing of a mask will now be optional in both churches, in line with all other places.

During the peace we will be able to say to each other 'peace be with you' but physical touch is still discouraged. Communion arrangements will remain the same for now.

If you have any questions or comments about these changes, please do speak with Rachel or one of the churchwardens.

**Also, if you are feeling unwell, please could you stay at home.**

Thank you.

**Online Morning Prayer**

Morning Prayer on Wednesday at 8.15am will continue to be online on Zoom.

**If you have a computer (with a camera and microphone), an iPad, or an iPhone** we can send an invite to your email address.

**If you have no devices to connect to the internet, but have a landline telephone** you can still join in. You would be provided with a telephone number. Additional information allowing you to join the meeting would be given you. **Interested?** Let Rachel know and you will be welcomed to join any of the above meetings.

**Order of Service**

**One in Christ**

*The hymns listed below are for the service at St George's*



*Processional Hymn 105 Christ, whose glory fills the skies*

**Prayer for Today**

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

*Readings*

**Acts 16 Paul and Silas in Prison**

<sup>16</sup> One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. <sup>17</sup> While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' <sup>18</sup> She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour.

<sup>19</sup> But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. <sup>20</sup> When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews <sup>21</sup> and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' <sup>22</sup> The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. <sup>23</sup> After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. <sup>24</sup> Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

<sup>25</sup> About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. <sup>26</sup> Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. <sup>27</sup> When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup> But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' <sup>29</sup> The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup> Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' <sup>31</sup> They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' <sup>32</sup> They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. <sup>33</sup> At the same hour of the night he took them and

washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. <sup>34</sup> He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

### Psalm 97

- 1 The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice; **let the multitude of the isles be glad.**
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him; **righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.**
- 3 Fire goes before him **and burns up his enemies on every side.**
- 4 His lightnings lit up the world; **the earth saw it and trembled.**
- 5 The mountains melted like wax at the presence of the Lord, **at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.**
- 6 The heavens declared his righteousness, **and all the peoples have seen his glory.**
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in mere idols. **Bow down before him, all you gods.**
- 8 Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoiced, **because of your judgements, O Lord.**
- 9 For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth; **you are exalted far above all gods.**
- 10 The Lord loves those who hate evil; **he preserves the lives of his faithful and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.**
- 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous **and joy for the true of heart.**
- 12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, **and give thanks to his holy name.**

### Revelation 22

<sup>12</sup> 'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. <sup>13</sup> I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.'

<sup>14</sup> Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

<sup>16</sup> 'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.'

<sup>17</sup> The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.'  
And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.'  
And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

<sup>20</sup> The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.'

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

<sup>21</sup> The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen

### John 17

<sup>20</sup> 'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup> that

they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup> The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, <sup>23</sup> I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. <sup>24</sup> Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

<sup>25</sup> 'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup> I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

### Sermon - Rev'd Rachel

#### Declaration of Faith

#### Intercessions

**We pray for all who are ill or in need at this time mentioning by name:**

Angela, Susan, Mike and Laura, Lynne, Daphne, Angela, Margaret & Mark, Joyce & Martin, Andrew,

#### Birthdays and Anniversaries:

Margaret Barber 1<sup>st</sup>, Mac 2<sup>nd</sup>, Katie Brown 3<sup>rd</sup>, Derek Kingscote 4<sup>th</sup>, David & Sylvia Chamberlain celebrate a wedding anniversary on 29<sup>th</sup>.

#### Anniversaries of Death:

Terry Overthrow (priest), Jean Evans, Eunice Parkes, Michael Spiers, Janet Farr, David Mills, Barbara Wilkinson, Bert Woodward, Marian Rackham, Audrey Bayliss, David Fox, Judith Fox, Pam Blewitt, Herbert Alderton, Bill Snell, Kathleen Ruskin.

If you would like your birthday or anniversary mentioned in Signpost, please let Glenda know.

*Offertory Hymn 47* As we are gathered

*Communion Hymn 212* God forgave my sin

#### Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Final Hymn 449* Mine eyes have seen the glory

## News & Diary Dates – 29 May – 5 June

### \*\*\* Messy Church \*\*\*

Have you got neighbours with young children? Let them know the Church in Tuffley plan to run 'Messy Church' sessions each month. **Due to Covid some sessions may be cancelled so we advise the relevant Church Website is checked.**

**St Barnabas** on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month.  
Next meeting – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July from 3.30 until 4.45pm

**Grange Baptist** on the last Sunday of the month. **Next meeting – TODAY at 10.30am.**

Sun 29	<b>EASTER 7</b>		
	<b>June Crossroads available</b>		
	9.00am	St M's	Parish Communion
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion followed by coffee <b>Crucifer:</b> Jayne <b>Readers:</b> Jonathan T/Sylvia C <b>Intercessions:</b> Derek
	10.30am	GB	Messy Church
	4.30pm	SH	Private Let
Tue 31	10.00am	St G's	Parish Communion
	10.00am	MH	Coffee Pot
Wed 1	8.15am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	3.30pm	MH	Slimming World
	7.00pm	SH	Living in Love & Faith
Thu 2	<b>Spring Bank Holiday</b>		
	10.30am	St M's	Parish Communion
	10.30am	SH/SL	Day Centre
Fri 3	<b>Queen's Platinum Jubilee</b>		
	2.00pm	CiT	Family Picnic in Randwick Park
Sat 4	10.00am	St G's	St George's Spring Clean
Sun 5	<b>Pentecost/Whit Sunday</b>		
	10.30am	St M's	Family Praise & calling of Banns of Marriage
	10.30am	St G's	Parish Communion & Banns of Marriage followed by coffee <b>Crucifer:</b> Dot <b>Readers:</b> Sylvia E/Stuart <b>Intercessions:</b> Sylvia C
	5.00pm	St M's	Evensong

**St G's = St George's, St M's = St Margaret's,  
MH = Main Hall of Centre, SH = Small Hall,  
SL = Softley Lounge, GB = Grange Baptist**

### Church in Tuffley Jubilee Picnic

To celebrate the Queen's 70<sup>th</sup> Jubilee we are joining the other churches in Tuffley for a picnic at **2.00pm on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June in Randwick Park.** Bring the food and drink you have prepared for you and your family and bring your deck chairs or blankets to sit on. In addition, donate some food to place on a table which will be available to anyone passing by.

How will you find us? Look for Church in Tuffley members wearing their 'Church in Tuffley' High-Viz Jackets.

### 100 Club Draw

Yes, it's time again to think about paying your 100 Club fees to the end of June (or further) to your collector as the next draw will be on Sunday 12 June. Also, if you've been considering joining the club don't think about it anymore, just do it. See me and I'll let you have the details and club rules. Darrell

### St George's Church Cleaning

After the success of our recent **Saturday morning church cleaning session**, we have decided to have others on **4th June** and **2nd July**. So, **between 10.00am and 12.00noon** St George's Church will be open to enable dusting, hoovering, de-cobwebbing in fact a general cleaning and sprucing up. Which will be very timely as Churchwardens, incumbents, curates from all over the Diocese are likely to descend on St George's for the Archdeacon's Visitation on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June. If you can help, please come along, the kettle will be on!! Thank you.

### FOODBANK

❖ Keep bringing items for the Foodbank on a Sunday. Collection point is the tray at the back of the Church.

The Foodbank are in **URGENT NEED OF LONG LIFE MILK (Not Chilled), LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE (Not Chilled), TINNED SPAGHETTI, TINNED FISH, TINNED RICE PUDDING, PACKET INSTANT MASH, PACKET PASTA 'N SAUCE, FRAY BENTOS PIES, SMALL JARS COFFEE, POT NOODLES, SHOWER GEL, DEODORANT, TOOTHPASTE & SINGLE TOOTHBRUSHES.**  
Thank you!

### Know someone who:

- ❖ is without support?
- ❖ can't make ends meet?
- ❖ Just wants to talk?

Then **Contact Gloucestershire Community Help Hub on 01452 583519**

### Keep picking up the phone!

People are finding phone calls with friends invaluable to combat loneliness. Thank you everyone; please keep up the good work!



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The Administration office is open on Wednesday & Friday mornings from 9.30am until 11.30am. Please contact the Church Administrator by email or leave a message on the office telephone and our Administrator will get back to you.

We are part of the **Church in Tuffley**, working in partnership with English Martyrs (Roman Catholic), Grange (Baptist) and St Barnabas (Anglican).



## WEEKLY SERVICES

Every week on a Tuesday

10.00am Said Holy Communion at St George's

Every week on a Wednesday

8.15am Morning Prayer on ZOOM

Every week on a Thursday

10.30am Parish Communion at St Margaret's

all are welcome

## COFFEE POT

each Tuesday

in St George's Centre

from 10.00am onwards

## CROSSROADS...

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Jubilee Picnic

in Randwick Park

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

from 2.00pm



**St George's Church Cleaning  
from 10.00am  
Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June**

**PENTECOST**

**and Queen's Jubilee**

**10.30am Parish Communion at St George's**

**10.30am Parish Communion**

**5.00pm Evensong**

**Both at St Margaret's**

**St George's Centre Management Committee**

**meet in the small hall**

**on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

**at 7.00pm**

St George's will be hosting the  
2022 Archdeacon's Visitation  
service

on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June

at 7.30pm

Everyone is welcome to attend



**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June**

**TRINITY SUNDAY**

**9.00am Parish Communion**

**at St Margaret's**

**10.30am Parish Communion**

**at St George's**

JUST A LITTLE  
*Reminder*

**For JULY's Crossroads**

**Our deadline is...**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June!**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

**MOTHERS' UNION**

**2.30pm in the Small Hall**

