



Today's Services

8am HOLY COMMUNION

Leader: Mike Harle

Preacher: Katherine Willis

Luke 6:27-42 p1034

9.30am MORNING PRAISE

Leader: Mike Harle

Preacher: Philip Plyming

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11.15am MORNING PRAISE

Leader: Linda Morgan

Preacher: Philip Plyming

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4pm 4 O'CLOCK CHURCH

Leaders: Annabelle Plyming
and Gerry Valter

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6.30pm EVENING PRAISE

Leader: Richard Rugg

Preacher: Peter Meadows

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Welcome to our services!

In this newsletter you can find all you need to know about what is happening here, what facilities are available and what else is going on at HTC. If you are new or would like further details about the church and what goes on then please pick up a 'Connect' card from the desk in the foyer and speak to one of those involved in leading the services.

Children's and Young People's Activities Today

During the **9.30am** service there is a crèche for under 3's in **Oak/Olive in the Ministry Centre**. All children aged 3+ come into church for the beginning of the service before departing for their groups:

Scramblers	aged 3 in the Church Hall
Jumpers	ages 4 & 5 in the Church Hall
Climbers	Y1 & Y2 in the Village Hall
AGS Explorers	Y3 & Y4 in the Village Hall
Trekkers	Y5 & Y6 in Willow (Ministry Centre)
Pathfinders	Y7 - Y9 in in the Village Hall

During the **6.30pm service** Pathfinders (11-13) come to the beginning of the service and then go out to the Ministry Centre for teaching and games; and Youth Fellowship (14-18) attend the 6.30pm service, then hold fellowship and small groups after the service.

Recording of Sermons

Recordings of 9.30am sermons can be listened to online or downloaded from our website or CD copies can be ordered from the Church Office.

We have a hearing loop in the main church which runs down the columns. If you wear a hearing aid with a T setting and wish to take advantage of the hearing loop please sit inside the columns, avoiding the back 4 rows on the left.

Refreshments

Tea & Coffee will be served between the end of the 9.30am service and the start of the 11.15am service, and before the 6.30pm service. Squash is also available for the children. We would be delighted if you can stay and join us.

Bookstall

The Bookstall is open each Sunday after the 9.30am service and during weekday office hours for books and

Prayer Room

The Prayer Room is open during office hours Monday to Friday for personal prayer.

This week's prayers

Services

- Pray for Mike Harle, Katharine Willis, Philip Plyming, Linda Morgan, Annabelle Plyming, Gerry Valter, Richard Rugg and Peter Meadows who will be leading and preaching at our services today.
- Pray for Connections Coffee Stop on Tuesday, pray that people will find warmth and hospitality during what has been a very cold few weeks. Pray for Toddlers' Praise as it reaches so many in our community, pray for opportunities to share the good news of Jesus Christ.
- Pray for those on the Alpha course as they meet on Thursday evening for the second session where they will be looking at the subject 'Why did Jesus die'. Pray that good relationships would be forming between the participants and leaders.
- Pray for the Baptism Course as it starts this Tuesday. Pray that the parents would feel excited and encouraged as they learn about what it means for their children to be baptised.

Covenant Prayer:

I am no longer my own, but Yours. Put me to what You will, rank me with whom You will; put me to doing, put me to suffering; let me be employed for You or laid aside for You, exalted for You or brought low for You; let me be full, let me be empty, let me have all things, let me have nothing; I freely and wholeheartedly yield all things to Your pleasure and disposal. And now, glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, You are mine and I am Yours. So be it. And the covenant now made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

Collect for the Fourth Sunday of Epiphany:

God our creator, who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness: we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all your people, and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen.

Pastoral/Church Family

- Pray for members of the church family who are currently unwell and especially for: Barbara Adams, Beryl Bailey, Maureen Boddy, Mary Brows, Gillian Caporn, Mary Cripps, Katie Elmore, Yvette Fountaine, Kate Gifford, Mike Guest, Wendy Howe, Laura James, Jen Marshall, Ian McQuade, Keith Pask, Margaret Standish, Anna-Marja Schmidt, Diane Treganowan and those going through any difficulty.
- Pray for all who are bereaved, and especially for the family and friends of Florence White, Diana Rew, Jean Arnell, Ruth Hopwood (thanksgiving service at HTC Fri 10 Feb 2pm) and David Hitchins.

Mission

- Pray for the work of the Joel community shelter in Kingston upon Thames. Pray for our HTC volunteers who cover one day a month at the shelter providing food, friendship and community. Thank God for all the lives that have been touched and transformed through Joel, for the successful completion of the second phase of the building project and pray for continued funds and plans for its growth in the future. Pray for Daniel and Mick as they lead the project and for all involved as volunteers, trustees and donors.

World

- Pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ all over the world who are providing support, care and protection for those who are persecuted due to their gender, faith or ethnicity. Pray particularly for the work of Christian aid charities such as Tearfund, Christian Solidarity Worldwide and Medair.
- Pray for the United States of America as they adjust to their new President. Pray that differences would be met with tolerance and patience, and that the people of America would work together for unity for the good of their own country and of the world.

This week's notices

Commitment Sunday today

If you have brought your completed pledge forms to church today, please put them in the box in the foyer - thank you! Alternatively, do drop them in to the office during the week.

For those who have already handed in their pledge forms prior to today, please do check the letter rack in the foyer as there is a letter for you to collect.

Come Home for Lunch Sunday today

As Philip mentioned in his vision address, Come Home for Lunch Sunday is a great opportunity to invite others for a meal as part of our Loving Community vision for this year. Please do share your photos with us via twitter @htclaygate #comehomeforlunchsunday, or email to the church office.

Worldview Sunday 5 February 6.30pm

Major General (rtd) Tim Cross CBE will be joining us to speak at the 6.30pm worldview service next Sunday (5 Feb). Tim spoke at the last Men's Breakfast and was extremely well received. He will be speaking on the topic of Christian Leadership - it will be helpful and relevant to all as he comes with a wealth of experience and is an excellent speaker. Everyone is welcome.

HTC member seeking care work

Faith Aguha is seeking work as a carer locally - and would be happy to live in if required. If you know of any job opportunities please contact the church office. Faith is available from the beginning of March.

Rhema Partnership vacancy

A unique opportunity for a fully flexible, paid role has become available at the Rhema Partnership. The role will be key to helping serve the poor in South India. For more details, see their website rhemapartnership.org.uk/vacancy or contact Sherry Secker sherry.secker@rhemapartnership.org.uk

Opportunities to serve

If you don't already serve at HTC, why not prayerfully consider whether you could join one of the following teams, serving once every four weeks on a rota basis? Please contact Katherine in the office!

Attending 9.30am service: serving on the audio / visual desk (3 vacancies), serving in the car park (2 vacancies), serving tea & coffee (3 vacancies), making sandwiches for 4 O'clock Church after 9.30am service (4 vacancies).

Attending 11.15am service: welcoming (4 vacancies), serving tea & coffee (3 vacancies).

Attending 6.30pm service: serving on the audio / visual desk (2 vacancies), serving tea & coffee (4 vacancies).

Large print Bible readings

Sets of large print copies of the Sunday Bible readings for this term are available from the church office.

Ukraine Summer Mission: 28 July - 8 August 2017

All ages are welcome to join the summer mission to the villages of Akli and Gyula. For more information do pick up a booklet from the welcome desk, or an application form from the church office.

Jonas Centre visit 2017

This year's working party to the Jonas Centre is now fully booked. However, if you were intending to come but haven't yet handed in your application form then please speak to Emma Coy as we might be able to make alternative accommodation arrangements.

Baptism Course

Our next four week course for parents thinking about infant baptism starts on Tues 31 Jan from 8.15 - 9.45pm in the Ministry Centre. Contact Janet in the office to book a place.

Towards a new vicar

Anna Lise Gordon and Bill Lowe, our churchwardens, will be overseeing the process for appointing a new vicar at HTC. If you have any comments about the profile of the new incumbent please do contact Anna Lise or Bill using the contact details in the church directory.

Besom prayer meeting

All are welcome to join the Besom team to pray for the work of Besom on Mon 30 Jan at 9.30am in the Prayer Room.

Lost property

Please check under the letter rack in the foyer for your items - anything remaining after Sunday 19 February will be donated to charity!

This week's diary

Mon-Fri	8.45am	Daily Prayer in the Prayer Room
Mon 30 Jan	9.30am	Prayer for the work of Besom in the prayer room - all welcome
	10am	Connections Coffee Stop for Seniors in the foyer
Tues 31 Jan	2pm	Dorcas group meet at 11 Elm Gardens
	8.15pm	Baptism course begins
Wed 1 Feb	10 & 1	Toddlers' Praise in the Ministry Centre
Thurs 2 Feb	7.30pm	Alpha Course continues in the Ministry Centre

Sunday 5 February

8am Holy Communion Leader and Preacher: Michael Hepworth	9.30am Morning Praise Leader: Philip Plyming Preacher: Mike Barton	11.15am Morning Praise Leader: Katherine Willis Preacher: Mike Barton	4pm 4 O'clock Church Leaders: Stephen Valter and Philip Plyming	6.30pm Worldview Speaker: Tim Cross
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Upcoming Events

Sun 5 Feb	6.30pm	Worldview: speaker Tim Cross - see over for details
Mon 6 Feb	8pm	PCC meeting in the Ministry Centre
Sat 18 Feb	10am	Dads' Toddlers' Praise in the Ministry Centre
Tues 21 Feb	3.30pm	Messy Church
Sat 25 Feb	8am	Men's breakfast: speaker Philip Plyming
Wed 1 Mar	11am	Ash Wednesday Holy Communion and lunch
Mon 6 Mar	8pm	Mission Partner prayer evening in church
Sat 11 Mar	8.30am	Women's breakfast
Mon 13 Mar	8pm	PCC meeting in the Ministry Centre
Tues 14 Mar	8pm	Welcoming Refugees information evening - details to follow
Sat 18 Mar	10am	Dads' Toddlers' Praise in the Ministry Centre