



## 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+ stay in church today for the all age service.

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. 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 greetings cards.

### Prayer Room

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

## Today's Services

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### 8am HOLY COMMUNION

Leader: Linda Morgan

Preacher: David Overington

Philippians 4:4-9 p1181

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### 9.30am ALL AGE WORSHIP

Leaders: Richard Rugg  
and Emma Coy

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### 11.15am MORNING PRAISE

Leader: Linda Morgan

Preacher: David Overington

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### 4pm 4 O'CLOCK CHURCH

Leaders: Richard Rugg  
and Emma Coy

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### 6.30pm HOLY COMMUNION

Leaders: Sarah Tapp  
and Richard Rugg

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# This week's prayers

## **Monday - World**

- Continue to pray for those affected by Hurricanes Harvey & Irma. Pray for those in Florida where a quarter of homes have been destroyed. Ask for God's protection on those who look to rebuild their homes and lives. Pray also for all those affected by the flooding in Bangladesh, India and Nepal.
- Pray for the escalated tension and protests in Haiti over taxes. Pray for peace and for no further violence.
- Pray for the situation in Egypt, where the number of terror attacks continues to rise, and human rights are being restricted – making life increasingly difficult for ordinary Egyptians. Ask for God's protection from the rising number of attacks on Christians and other religious minorities, and for Egypt to become a country where all citizens are treated equally, regardless of their religion.

## **Tuesday – Pastoral/Church Family**

- Pray for members of the church family who are unwell and especially for: Aria Noor Al-Jawad (born prematurely), Barbara Adams, Mary Brows, Gillian Caporn, Mary Cripps, Katie Elmore, Kate Gifford, Mike Guest, Jackie Hinton, Laura James, Ann McJannet, Ian McQuade, Keith Pask, Sarah Quest, Liz Sloggett, Margaret Standish, Shaun Steer and those experiencing any difficulty.
- Pray for all who are bereaved, that God would comfort them in their grief.

## **Wednesday – Youth, Children, Families**

- Pray for the Claygate Youth Club as it started the new term last week. Pray for all new members and volunteers as they settle in.
- Pray for Toddlers' Praise which meets every Wednesday at 10am and 1pm, and for their leaders. Pray that people would be drawn closer to God at Toddlers' Praise.

## **Thursday – Mission**

- Pray for the work of Christian Solidarity Worldwide (CSW) and for the CSW team as they attend The United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva from 11 - 29 Sept. Ask for God's wisdom and discernment as they raise the situation for Christians, and those of other religions, who are being persecuted for their faith in Burma, Indonesia and Eritrea. Pray also for CSW's work in northern Nigeria, an area constantly under threat of attack from Boko Haram.

## **Friday – Services, Small Groups**

- Pray for those leading and preaching at the services next Sunday (see back of this newsletter).
- Pray for us as we prepare for 40 Days of Community and in particular for those who will be leading small groups for the first time. Also, pray for those who will attend.
- Pray for Ashley and Leonie King who were married here on Sat 16 Sept, and for Carl Price and Stephanie Brown who will be married here on Fri 22 Sept.

## **Collect for the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity:**

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into Your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship You in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# This week's notices

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## **Appointment process for new vicar**

Please do pray this week for the three candidates who have been invited for interview on Wed 20 Sept.

There is also the regular **weekly opportunity** to pray for the whole process on Saturdays from 9 - 9.30am at church. All welcome!

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## **40 Days of Community – sign up today!**

40 Days of Community is a whole-church programme of worship, teaching and small group discussions to explore community together, and all small groups will join together in church on Wednesday evenings (8pm) or Thursday mornings (10am - with crèche) to take part. To find out more, see the flyer in this newsletter for more details, or contact Richard Rugg or Katherine Willis.

If you're **not currently in a small group**, we would love you to join one of the new groups that will be set up for 40DOC – please **sign up in the foyer** today.

40DOC begins on Sunday 1 October, and there are **daily readings for us all** to accompany the small group programme. **Pick up your copy of the 40DOC Devotional book** from the foyer today, together with a **bookmark** which explains which short reading falls on each day. If you are able to make a donation of £5 towards the cost of the book this would be welcome, but please do not let this prevent you from taking your copy today.

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## **'Ugandan Feast' Sat 14 Oct 7.30pm in the Church Hall**

Faith in Action Community Development invite you to join them for a delicious 'Ugandan Feast' on Sat 14 Oct at 7.30pm. The evening includes an opportunity to meet Faith Aguha, hear all about God's amazing work in Katete and enjoy traditional Ugandan food. There is no charge, but donations to cover the cost of the supper are welcome! Please sign up in the foyer or email Miriam Schafer on miris@hotmail.co.uk

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## **Could you help mow the grass in the vicarage garden?**

Help is still needed with lawnmowing in the vicarage garden over the next few months during the vacancy (mower provided). If you could help on an ad hoc basis at a time to suit you (weekdays or weekends) please contact the church office.

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## **Fire Drill procedure during Sunday services / groups**

On hearing the Fire Alarm you will be directed to the fire exits by the service leaders / service coordinators / welcome teams / group helpers to the Fire Assembly Point which is located between The Vicarage and the Ministry Centre. **Parents please note that your children will be brought to you at the Fire Assembly Point** and you should not go to their groups to try to collect them as this will delay the evacuation.

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## **Harvest Thanksgiving next week**

Next Sunday, 24 Sept, will be our Harvest Thanksgiving Sunday at HTC. Our Harvest Appeal will be in support of Tearfund's South Asia Floods appeal - more details will be available next week, along with Gift Aid envelopes.

If you have an abundance of home grown fruit & veg from your garden / allotment that you would like to share with others, do bring it along to church on 24 Sept and leave by the church door for others to help themselves.

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## **Women's breakfast Sat 7 Oct 8.30am in church hall**

All HTC women (and friends) are welcome to come along to our next Women's Breakfast, to hear from former HTC member Cath Winchcombe. Please sign up in the foyer.

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## **Baptism Course**

The next course for parents who are thinking about baptism for their children starts on Tues 10 Oct 8.15-9.45pm in the Ministry Centre. It continues for 4 weeks (with a break for half term) and ends on 7 Nov. Please contact Janet in the office if you would like to find out more.

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## **Dalesdown youth weekend**

The youth team are looking a few items to help with the catering for their weekend away at Dalesdown (Fri 30 Sept – Sun 1 Oct). If you have any large ice cream tubs / surplus beans or apples from your allotment, please contact Holly on 466982 hollybyles@holyltrinityclaygate.org.uk

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# This week's diary

Mon-Fri	8.45am	Daily Prayer in the Prayer Room
Tues 19 Sept	10am 3.30pm	Connections Coffee Stop for Seniors in the foyer Messy Church
Wed 20 Sept	10 & 1	Toddlers' Praise – start of new term
Fri 22 Sept	1.30pm	Wedding of Carl Price and Stephanie Brown in church
Sat 23 Sept	10am	Dads' Toddlers' Praise in the Ministry Centre

## Sunday 24 September

<b>8am</b> <b>Holy Communion</b> Leader: Richard Rugg Preacher: Jon Davey	<b>9.30am</b> <b>Holy Communion</b> Leader: Richard Rugg Preacher: Stuart Sadler	<b>11.15am</b> <b>Morning Praise</b> Leader: Anna Lise Gordon Preacher: Stuart Sadler	<b>4pm</b> <b>4 O'clock Church</b> Leaders: Emma Coy and Jamie Blake	<b>6.30pm</b> <b>Evening Praise</b> Leader: Richard Rugg Preacher: Stuart Sadler
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## Upcoming Events

Sun 1 Oct		40 Days of Community Opening Sunday (see over for info) Come Home for Lunch Sunday
Wed 4 Oct	8pm	40 Days of Community midweek sessions begin - see over
Thurs 5 Oct	10am	40 Days of Community midweek sessions begin - see over
Sat 7 Oct	8.30am	Women's breakfast – speaker Cath Winchcombe
Mon 9 Oct	8pm	PCC meeting in the Ministry Centre
Tues 10 Oct	8.15pm	Baptism course begins in the Ministry Centre
Sat 14 Oct		Faith in Action supper in the church hall – details to follow
Tues 17 Oct	3.30pm	Messy Church
Sat 21 Oct	10am	Dads' Toddlers' Praise in the Ministry Centre
Tues 31 Oct		Shine Parties – details to follow
Sun 5 Nov	3pm	Annual Service of Remembrance for the Bereaved followed by tea
Sat 11 Nov	10am	Dads' Toddlers' Praise in the Ministry Centre
Sun 12 Nov	10.55am 11.15am	Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial Remembrance Day service in church