

WE REMEMBER THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND IN OUR PRAYERS:

Vivienne Bell, Joyce Powell, Ann Bordess, Claire Froud, Nathaniel, Pete Henderson, Marion Neville, Harry Hindess, Ashley Powell, Colin Graham, Stephen Scott.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY BECOME ILL:

Maureen Palmer, Jennie Willis, Pat Watson, Mary Gunn, Julie Ann Parson, Elsie Smith, Jimmy Hunter, Eileen Smith, Florence Regan, Rev. John Scorer, Rachel Paterson, Val Judson, Evie Owens, Victoria Harper.

WE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:

Robert Walmsley.

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH FALLS AT THIS TIME:

Billy Durham, Hannah Race, Dora Clements, Nancy Foster, Neville Widdowfield, Nina Fletcher.

CHURCH DIARY THIS WEEK

Monday 5 October

2.00pm MU Deanery Overseas Service [Bournmoor Church](#)

Tuesday 6 October

10.00am Holy Communion in church
7.00pm Confirmation class
7.00pm Quiz Night (online)

Wednesday 7 October

9.30am Trinity Tots
7.00pm Iona Service

Thursday 8 October

7.30pm Choir Practice

Saturday 10 October

7.00pm Harvest Supper

Sunday 11 October – Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.00am Holy Communion in church and with choir

Bible Readings for next Sunday:

Reading Philippians 4.1-9

Gospel Reading Matthew 22.1-14

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HARVEST FESTIVAL

SUNDAY	08.00am	Holy Communion in church
	10.00am	Holy Communion in church and with choir
	3.00pm	Baptism Ariana Rae White and Maeve Rose White

TUESDAY	10.00am	Holy Communion in church
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COLLECT

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and give us the fruits of the earth in their season.
Grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need, and for our own wellbeing; through Jesus Christ your son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Creator God, you give seed for us to sow and bread for us to eat.
Make us thankful for what we have received.
Make us able to do generous things which supply your people's needs, so all the world may give you thanks and glory.
Amen.

FIRST BIBLE READING

2 Corinthians 9.6-end

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.'

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving

to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

This is the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Choir Anthem (from ‘The Creation’ – Haydn)

The heaven’s are telling the glory of God.

The wonder of his work displays the firmament.

Today that is coming speaks it the day. The night that is gone to following night.

In all the lands resounds the word, never unperceived, ever understood.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 12.16-30

Alleluia, Alleluia

Lift up your eyes and see that the fields are ripe for harvesting. Gather the fruit for eternal life.

All Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Then he told them a parable: ‘The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, “What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?” Then he said, “I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.”

But God said to him, “You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?” So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.’

He said to his disciples, ‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you, O Christ.

NOTICES THIS WEEK

Foodbank Sunday

Please leave your Harvest donations on the display at the front of church. All items gratefully received by Washington Community Food Project.

Flowers

Many thanks to Alan Foster for the donation towards flowers this week in memory of his dearly loved wife Nancy for her anniversary on the 8th October.

MU October Service

Please note that the October Mothers’ Union meeting will be the Deanery Overseas Service at Bournmoor Church on Monday 5th October at 2pm. Lifts may be possible so please speak to Helen. Thank you.

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation Study Nights are to be held at 7pm on 6th, 13th, 20th October. **All** are welcome to attend these sessions for personal reflection and development and to come and support our candidates.

The Churchyard Group needs some help

The Old Churchyard has some large areas of snowdrops which are followed by bluebells and each year, we split and spread them. This autumn, we are beginning to develop this further, hoping to create a Snowdrop and Bluebell Walk. Thanks to funding from the Washington Community Development Trust, this week we received 1700 snowdrop and bluebell bulbs and would love some help to plant them! If you would like to help, please give your name and contact details to Mary, Olive or Jan. We hope to start planting on the morning of Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th October from 10am. Additional dates to follow.

Harvest Supper

We are holding a Bring and Share Harvest Supper on Saturday 10th October at 7.00 pm. There will be music with our own Ceilidh band, dancing, games and a raffle. This will be a chance to enjoy the evening with other church family and friends. There will be no charge but donations to church funds can be made on the night. Tickets available from Phyllis.

Holy Trinity Community Support Group Fund Raising Night 17th October at The Keelboat Community Pub

This should be a great evening. Tickets are £5 to include a hot beef dip. Please see Phyllis to get your ticket. Donations for Raffle and tombola prizes will be gratefully received. All of the money raised will go to the Church funds.

Mothers Union Christmas meal

On Monday 7th December at 12.30pm at the Shepherd and Shepherdess. If you would like to go, please put your name on the list at the rear of church, marking if you require transport. Menus are available from Susan. Could you please return these together with a £5 deposit in an envelope by Sunday 11th October to Susan. Thank you.

The Sunday service will begin at 10am. If you would like to join us online, please email office.htcw@gmail.com to be included in our circulation list. If you would like to join the service by phone, please dial 0131 460 1196. The meeting ID number is 850 2953 3415 followed by # (hash). The password is 473130, followed by # (hash).

Quiz/Games Night – Tuesdays at 7pm

All are very welcome to join in, just click on the link in this month's email, or if you are joining by phone, please dial 0131 460 1196 the meeting ID is 870 6505 4582 followed by # (hash) and the password is 726138 followed by # (hash) and remember to press *6 to talk to us.