

DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Wednesday

10.00am Holy Communion with Revd. Canon Kate Stowe

NEXT WEEK ~ SEPTEMBER 27th

THE SEVENTEETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion

6.30pm Full Choral Evensong

OPEN CHURCH ~ Thursdays between 1.30-3.30pm



Please sign up at the back of church if you can spare time to steward the church on Thursdays.

AUTOMATIC DOORS - When exiting the church, please use the push pad on a stand to open the doors into the porch – do not push doors directly as this will damage the mechanisms.

Exploring our faith Sundays 3.30-4.30pm

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An opportunity to explore the Christian faith over 6 weeks. This is open to everyone and anyone thinking about being confirmed later this year.

Dates: **Sept 20, Oct 3, 11, 18 and Nov 1 and 8.**

Please speak to Revd Pete or Revd Kate for further information.

The **Monday Group** begins on Zoom **Monday 21st September at 10.30am-12noon** and will be *'Exploring the Poetry of George Herbert'*. Booklets for the Course will be available and we are beginning the series with *Love III - Love bade me welcome*. The joining code is sent out ahead of time. To register your interest in joining please see or contact Chris Butt on 07720 865653 or at revbutt@ymail.com



Harvest Supper

Saturday 3rd October, 5-8pm.

Food, Barn Dances and Laura Ige, who sings and tells the story of her father, arriving in the UK on the Windrush from Jamaica and the challenges they faced.

Tickets: £5 per adult; accompanied children free.

Bring and share food - please collect a silver foil dish from Tricia

A Notice from Oz Osborne.

Would you please bring a small something that you have grown or made for the harvest tableau in the front porch. Please bring it in advance or on the Sunday itself. All gifts reclaimable after 18th. My thanks, Oz

WELCOME TO ST. PETER'S CHURCH

*To Newcomers: We are especially glad to see you. By way of introduction please fill in a **welcome slip** at the back of the church and return it to a Sidesperson or contact the Parish Office on 681 1940.*

Please take this notice sheet home.

www.stpeterharborne.org.uk

Email: parishoffice@stpeterharborne.org.uk

If not already occupied by the Boulders Group, the Side Chapel (where there is audio connection to the Service), is available to you if your **young Children or babies** want to carry on singing when everyone else has stopped (particularly during the quiet bits!)

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20th 2026 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF TRINITY

8.00am~ HOLY COMMUNION
Green Prayer Book

10.00am~ PARISH COMMUNION
Common Worship ~ HA & M
Setting ~ Coventry/Rutter (P.20 of service booklet)

Organ Voluntary: *Plein Jeu ~ Louis-Nichlas Clérambault*

First Hymn: 641(i)

Gradual Hymn: 790

Offertory Hymn: 676

Sermon: Keith Whitehead

Anthem: *Love one another ~ S S Wesley*

Communion Hymn: 706

Final Hymn: 394

Organ recessional: *Basse et Dessus de Trompette ~ Louis-Nichlas Clérambault*

6.30pm

CHORAL EVENSONG
Green Prayer Book ~ NEH

Hymn: 339

Responses: Ferial

Psalm: 119.121-128

OT Lesson: Ezekiel 33.23, 30-34.10

NT Lesson: Acts 26.1,9-25

Anthem: *Teach me, O Lord ~ Thomas Attwood*

Homily: Revd. Pete Brayshaw

Final Hymn: 235

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Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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 for ever.

First Reading

Jonah 3:10-4:11

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, 'O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.' And the Lord said, 'Is it right for you to be angry?' Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, 'It is better for me to die than to live.' But God said to Jonah, 'Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?' And he said, 'Yes, angry enough to die.' Then the Lord said, 'You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?'

Gospel Reading

Matthew 20:1-16

'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his

vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gift-Aiding

A reminder please: if you use one of the yellow giving envelopes, please ensure, to secure the gift aid, that the envelope is filled in and signed. Thank you.



Calling all members of Altar Guild. Please note that the date for our next meeting in church has been moved to Thursday 8th October. We will meet in church at 10am. The session lasts for no longer than 2 hours. As always, we would be very happy for anyone who might wish to consider joining us to turn up to see what it's all about, with no obligation to clean! For further information please speak with Susan Lister. Thank you to our loyal regulars, you know who you are.