



## St Michael and All Angels' Church, Galleywood

*'The Church on the Hill'*

### What's On in August 2022

Follow the link from our web site for live streamed services:

<http://www.stmichaelsgalleywood.org.uk>

#### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August – 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Holy Communion – in-person and live-stream on Facebook  
Leader and Communion President: Revd David Cattle  
Preacher: Travers Harpur – “Arrest in Jerusalem”  
Readings: Acts 21:17 – 30; 1 Corinthians 9:19 – 23

#### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August – 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

8:30 am BCP Communion – in-person only  
10:00 am Service of the Word – in-person and live-stream on Facebook  
Leader: Barbara Webb  
Preacher: Geoff Windus – “Imprisonment in Caesarea”  
Readings: Acts 23:23 – 24 and 24:22 – 27; Colossians 4:7 – 14

#### Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August – 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

8:30 am BCP Communion in-person only  
10:00 am Service of the Word – in-person and live-stream on Facebook  
Leader: Geoff Windus  
Preacher: Fiona Selden – “Healing in Malta”  
Readings: Acts 28:1 – 10; Matthew 8:14 – 17

#### Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August – 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

8:30 am BCP Communion in-person only  
10:00 am Service of the Word – in-person and live-stream on Facebook  
Leader: Fiona Selden  
Preacher: Revd David Cattle – “Arriving in Rome”  
Readings: Acts 28:11 – 30; Romans 15:19 – 25

Paul's Journey To Rome:



## **NB. Holy Communion in August**

Please note that in August, Holy Communion in the 10am Sunday service occurs on the first Sunday, the 7<sup>th</sup>, whilst for the other Sundays Communion will be celebrated in the 8:30 am service.

## **Services During the Week**

Weekly Morning Prayer on Tuesdays via Zoom at 9:30 am.

## **Important dates in August:**

Sun 28<sup>th</sup> August, 1:00 pm – baptism of Violet Banks  
2:30 pm – baptism of Isobel Timms

## **Future dates**

Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Sept, 1:00 pm – Wedding of Louisa and Nathan  
7:00 pm – Quiz Night (fundraising event) in Church (see below for details)

Sun 11<sup>th</sup> Sept, 1:00 pm – Baptism of Ruby Allen  
4:30 pm – Joint MMU afternoon service, Taize at Church of the Holy Spirit

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2:00 pm – MLT (Fiona's house)  
8:00 pm – Missions team meeting (venue tbc)

Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Sept, 7.30pm – PCC meeting (in Church)

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Sept, 8:30 pm – Worship Planning Team meeting, via Zoom

Tue 20<sup>th</sup> Sept, 7:00 pm – Website development meeting, via Zoom

Sun 25<sup>th</sup> Sept, 3:30 pm – baptism of Joshua Merrill

Sat 1<sup>st</sup> Oct, 1:30 pm – Wedding of Elise and Carl

Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct, 10 am – Michaelmas Service and party

Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Oct, 7:30 pm – Lynchpins meeting, St Luke's Moulsham

Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Nov, 11am – Artisan Market (fundraising events) in Church

## **NOTICES**

### **Prayer Chain**

If anyone has an urgent need, please be aware the Church has a small group of committed members ready and willing to support you in prayer. Please contact Jane Windus, the Prayer Chain Coordinator ([janeWindus@gmail.com](mailto:janeWindus@gmail.com)), who will circulate your request amongst the team. Furthermore, if you would be willing to join the team and commit to supporting others in this important and privileged ministry, again please contact Jane.

### **Treasurer Vacancy**

We give our thanks to Colin Dawson, who officially stepped down as Treasurer at the Annual Meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> May after many years' service. We are still looking for a new Treasurer. Please do pray that we will fill this important role very soon. If anyone is interested to learn more about the role, please speak to Colin, Gavin or David.

## **Fundraising Events**

**Quiz Night.** Our next big event is a quiz night, which will be held on 10th September in the Church at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Teams will consist of 6 – 8 per table, at £5 per person. Bring own drink and nibbles!

## **Make Lunch**

Please pray for Sue and our Make Lunch team, as they hand out food parcels to our families on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August, and cook a full meal and host children's activities on Wednesdays 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> August.

## **Goodbye to Ellen**

After several years of service to the Church, Ellen Morrison leaves her post as our Children's and Youth Worker at the end of August. Ellen will begin work at The Bishops' School in September as a Learning Support Assistant to a child with special educational needs. We will be sorry to see Ellen go, and we pray that she will flourish in her new post. Also, please pray that we are able to appoint a successor to Ellen.

## **Michaelmas service and party**

On Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, we shall celebrate our patronal festival, as we reflect on St Michael and All Angels! After our service at 10am, there will be a party – details to follow.

## **Foundation Governor Vacancies at St. Michael's Church of England Voluntary Aided Junior School.**

Due to various circumstances, a number of Foundation/Church Governor vacancies are available at St. Michael's Junior School.

Volunteering for this role, you would join a team of Foundation Governors whose role is to:

- be a link between the Church, school and diocese.
- ensure the Christian ethos of the school is maintained and developed.
- play an active role in the school community.
- support the school in its journey of providing an excellent education for all children in an environment that enables them to flourish.

The governing body is seeking people with any of the following qualities:

- financial expertise.
- knowledge of health and/or safety.
- experience of working in the construction industry.
- an interest in education or would like to see the education system from a different perspective

If becoming a Foundation Governor is something you would be interested in, please contact Revd David Cattle ([revdcattle@gmail.com](mailto:revdcattle@gmail.com)) or Jane Cregan-Bird ([admin@st-michaels-jun.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-michaels-jun.essex.sch.uk)) Chair of Governors. Thank-you.

## Thought for the Month by Travers Harpur

### Search the Scriptures

In our series on Acts and Paul's journeys, one place he visited, and we have missed, is Berea – between Thessalonica and Corinth. To quote from Acts 17:11:

“These Jews were more receptive than those in Thessalonica, for they welcomed the message very eagerly and examined the scriptures every day to see whether these things were so.” [NRSV]

Search or examine (the Greek verb refers to careful examination) the scriptures. They did it, they searched the Old Testament, to find Jesus the Messiah – there is still today a work in Berea introducing Jewish people, visiting the historic synagogue, to their Messiah. We are called to examine the whole of scripture, our Bible, to know more of Jesus and his way.

We have various methods – some study, some read. One way is the Lectionary. A lectionary is a listing that contains a collection of Bible readings appointed for church or synagogue worship on a specific date or festival. It is rooted in Jewish worship as are many of the things we do, and as the Book of Common prayer (and its successors) is rooted in the Old Testament.

The Church Lectionary is suitable for private as well as corporate worship and is accessible online – you can choose between Common Worship or 1662.

My relation with the lectionary is best described as ‘flirtatious’, using it when I feel like it but without discipline! There are other ways of private reading and we do need discipline; David recommended a plan for reading the Bible in a year and I, along with many others use daily notes (e.g. from Scripture Union or the Bible Reading Fellowship).

In church we use the lectionary often at the 8.30 service and sometimes at 10:00 but at other times when we need to focus on a preaching series (continuity through a book or through related topics), and in times of special needs such as our recent stewardship series. Plus points; in both private and corporate we need discipline not just our own favourites or skipping it. The lectionary is a good servant not master.

But back to Berea and searching the scriptures - it is good to search and examine but scripture is the Word of God and *it* searches us. We need to come with open hearts and minds willing for the Holy Spirit to speak to us, to search *our* hearts and minds.

The deadline for articles for September is Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August. Please send them to Geoff Windus ([geoffwindus@gmail.com](mailto:geoffwindus@gmail.com)).

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