

Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

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Welcome to our church, especially if you are a visitor or a newcomer

Sunday 2nd October 2022

Opening Hymn: 109 Christ is made the sure foundation

Readings: 1 Chronicles 29:6-19 G. Hill
Ephesians 2:19-22 D. Anwyl-Hughes

Gradual Hymn: Let us build a house (words over)

Gospel Reading: John 2.13-22

Sermon

Intercessions: D. Anwyl-Hughes

Offertory Hymn: 259 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God almighty

Communion Hymns:

358 Let there be love shared among us

72 Be still for the presence of the Lord

253 Gather us in

Final Hymn: 45 Angel voices ever singing



Tea, coffee, squash and biscuits are served in church following the service. Why not stay for a drink and a chat. It's a chance to get to know everyone.



GOOD COMPANIONS

Next meeting: 3rd October - Bango Brian entertains

Followed by:

17th October - Art Gallery visit to see art by Canaletto; tea at the Balcony Café.

7th November - Beekeeping anecdotes from Stan Summers



A Better Way to Give Regularly to Church

The Church of England has introduced a new Parish Giving Scheme (PGS), administered by a charity controlled by various Dioceses and based in Gloucester. The new scheme should be a win-win situation - better for givers, and better for the church. There is a small supply of booklets at the back of Church. If you want to know more, speak to Andy or Richard Hemmings, or look at PGS's website:

www.parishgivingscheme.org.uk



Church Services this coming week.

Thursday 10.00am Holy Communion

Zoom only services

Monday & Wednesday 8.20am Morning Prayer

Tuesday & Thursday 5.30pm Evening Prayer

Dedication Sunday

Next Sunday - Trinity 17

8.00am - Said Holy Communion

Readings: 2 Kings 5:1-3,7-15c R. Adams
2 Timothy 2:8-15 Clergy

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Intercessions: R. Adams

10.00am - Family Service

Readings: 2 Kings 5:1-3,7-15c R. Goddard
2 Timothy 2:8-15 V. Greenow

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Intercessions: M. Mandrell



John
2.13-22

LITTLE STARS ★ For babies to pre-schoolers and their parents/carers meets in church every Thursday ★ afternoon in term time from 1.30pm to 3.00pm. Further details from Michelle Walsh (details below) ★

Open Church

Thursdays 10.30am - 12.30pm

Saturdays 10.30am - 12.30pm



If you have any items for the pew sheet please e-mail them to: mwalsh.ststephens@outlook.com
Please send by Thursday - 10.00am if you wish it to be included in the following Sunday's pew sheet.

For church hall bookings contact Michelle Walsh at mwalsh.ststephens@outlook.com or 07961 097497

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

Skittles and Social Event - Sunday 9th October

We will be hosting a 'Skittles and Social' event with Claines and St. Georges at The Alma in the afternoon of Sunday 9th October.

You can sign up at the back of church.

Bereavement Support Group

A Bereavement Support Group will be starting on Monday 3rd October to provide informal support following the loss of a loved one whether recently or not.

It will run on the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month from 11am-12pm in St. Stephen's Church but does not assume any religious beliefs.

All are welcome or if you'd like to know more contact Marion Neary on 07870 753739.

Church Deep Clean

Iris and team will be carrying out a deep clean in church on Friday 7th October from 1.30-4.30.

If you're able to offer some help, even if only for an hour, they'd be delighted to see you.

Harvest Service – Sunday 16th October

This year's Harvest Service will take place on Sunday 16th October.

Margaret will be talking about Christian Aid and will host a cake sale to raise funds for their cause after the service.

Donations for the Foodbank will also be gratefully received. You can find the most needed items listed to the right and the full list can be found by clicking the link below:

<https://worchester.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Autumn Fayre 2022

Again a huge thank you to all who helped make our Autumn fayre such a success. We made over £3,300, which we think may be a fayre record!

We could not have done it without all those who generously gave of their time, as stall holders, setting up, clearing up at the end of the day, baking/giving goods to sell and of course attending on the day. We have received so many positive comments on how much it was enjoyed by those who came. A wonderful day all round!

Let us build a house (AHON 432)

*Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.*

*Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions.
All are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

*Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.*

*Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus.*

*Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us.*

*Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.*

*Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger.*

*Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.*

*Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter.*