

Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

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

Sunday 9th October 2022

Trinity 17

Opening Hymn: 602 Praise my soul the king of heaven

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

Gradual Hymn: 32 Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord (verses 1 & 5 only)

Gospel Reading: Luke 17:11-19

Sermon

Intercessions: M. Mandrell

Offertory Hymn: God is here, as we His people (Overleaf)

Communion Hymns: 706 The Lord's my shepherd

730 This is my body, broken for you

475 Loving shepherd of thy sheep

Final Hymn: O God beyond all praising (Overleaf)



Next Sunday - Harvest Festival

8.00am - Said Holy Communion

Readings: Deuteronomy 26.1-11 J. Swindin
Philippians 4.4-9 J. Swindin

Gospel: John 6.25-35

Intercessions: D. Fulbrook

10.00am - Family Service

Readings: Deuteronomy 26.1-11 R. Holdsworth
Philippians 4.4-9 G. Hill

Gospel: John 6.25-35

Intercessions: V. Greenow



Luke
17:11-19

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

Followed by:

7th November - Beekeeping anecdotes from Stan Summers

27th November - TBA



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



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.

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

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

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

Harvest Service – Sunday 16th October

This year's Harvest Service will take place next 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.

If anyone would like to bring a harvest gift, donations for the Foodbank will be gratefully received. The most needed items can be found by using the link below:

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

Bereavement Support Group

A Bereavement Support Group has started this month 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.

Spare theatre tickets...

Chris Allen has two spare tickets for the matinee showing of 'Don't stop believing' on Saturday 12 November, 2:30pm at the Swan Theatre. The tickets are £17.50 each. If you are interested please ask either Chris or Michelle.

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!

Offertory Hymn

God is here, as we His people

*God is here! As we His people meet to offer praise and prayer,
We may find in faithful measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
Wait the coming of His Spirit into open minds and hearts.*

*Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace;
Here are table, font and pulpit; here the cross has central place.
Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence as in speech,
Here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.*

*Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold;
Here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us, as of old;
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore
What it means in daily living to believe and to adore.*

*Lord of all, of Church and Kingdom, in an age of change and
doubt,*

*Keep us faithful to the Gospel, help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive:
We, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!*

Final Hymn

O God beyond all praising

(sung to the tune of: I vow to thee my country)

<i>O God beyond all praising, We worship you today And sing the love amazing That songs cannot repay; For we can only wonder At every gift you send, At blessings without number And mercies without end: We lift our hearts before you And wait upon your word, We honour and adore you, Our great and mighty Lord.</i>	<i>Then hear, O gracious Saviour, Accept the love we bring, That we who know your favor May serve you as our king; And whether our tomorrows Be filled with good or ill, We'll triumph through our sorrows And rise to bless you still: To marvel at your beauty And glory in your ways, And make a joyful duty Our sacrifice of praise.</i>
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