

Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

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

Sunday 28th May 2023

Pentecost

Opening Hymn: 45 Angel voices ever singing

Readings: Acts 2.1-21 B. Cox
1 Corinthians 12.3b-13 R. Holdsworth

Gradual Hymn: 98 Breathe on me, breath of God

Gospel: John 7.37-39

Sermon

Intercessions: M. Mandrell

Offertory Hymn: 125 Come down, O love divine

Communion Hymns:

640 She sits like a bird

557 O thou who camest from above

666 Spirit of the Living God

Final Hymn: 778 We have a gospel to proclaim



Next Sunday – Trinity Sunday

8.00am – Said Holy Communion

Readings: Isaiah 40.12-17, 27-31 P. Curtis
2 Corinthians 13.11-13 P. Curtis

Gospel: Matthew 28.16-20

Intercessions: P. Curtis

10.00am – Family Service

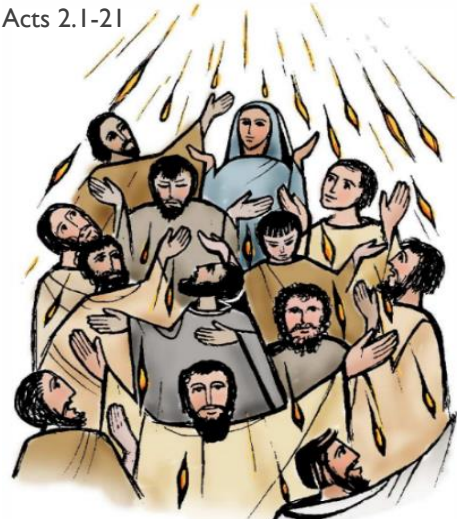
Readings: Isaiah 40.12-17, 27-31 N. Wake
2 Corinthians 13.11-13 P. Kendall

Gospel: Matthew 28.16-20

Intercessions: J. Gerrard



Acts 2.1-21



*All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit
and began to speak in other languages,
as the Spirit gave them ability.*

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 (Meet in church at 2.30pm)

Next meetings:

5th June - Howard Robinson talk on Felix Mendelssohn.

19th June - Talk/Event to be confirmed



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Meet in church fortnightly at 11.00am (10.45 for Tea/Coffee)

Next meetings: Monday 19th June

Monday 3rd July

A Better Way to Give Regularly to Church

The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS), administered by a charity controlled by various Dioceses and based in Gloucester. 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

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

Eco-Curious? Are you thinking about joining the A Rocha Eco Church scheme?
Fernhill Heath Baptist Church Invites churches to come & ask questions, share their experiences, pick-up ideas and enjoy fellowship.
Saturday 10th June 2023, 10am – 3pm at Fernhill Heath Baptist Church Worcester WR3 8RL. Tea & coffee provided. Please bring your own lunch Register by 1st June to reserve a place at: admin@fernhillheathbaptist.org.uk

To ALL Volunteers – Safeguarding

If you are a volunteer at church, no matter your role, we will require you to read some new information on safeguarding. This information can be found on the shelf in the HB room inside a blue folder. Please take a few minutes to read this (there is nothing complicated) and let Carol Amos (or Michelle Walsh) know you have done so for church records. If you would like a copy emailed you can ask either of us. Many thanks.

New Growth

*New growth brings promise of possibility,
Hidden opportunities looked for and found.
Seed-like, fertile ideas planted as years' crops
Nurtured, given chance, grow into something grand.*

*Time for new work, complete or discard odd jobs,
Embrace change with confidence, give things a try.
Make use of the good parts gleaned from the past -
God willing, be brave, boldly aim for the sky!*

Teresa Charman 2021

Plants for the Autumn Fayre

In preparation for the Autumn fayre, Chis Allen will be focusing on biennials such as Wallflower and Sweet Williams or potted up self-seeded perennials. If anyone would like to sow a tray, Chris will gladly accept any offerings.



SAVE THE DATE.....

Autumn Fayre - Saturday 23rd September

More details to follow but save the date for now.

A Folk Concert for Christian Aid

Saturday 3rd June – St Georges Church

7.30-9.30pm

Tickets £10 to include refreshments can be obtained from Alison Clarke – 07917 890183 or clarke.alison@gmail.com

Help dreams come true for communities in Malawi this Christian Aid week.

Fire Evacuation last Sunday

Thank you to everyone for your enthusiastic participation in our fire evacuation drill last week. Everything went well and we evacuated the church in good time and in good order. There were a couple of things to remember for next time. Please do leave the building immediately and without stopping to collect belongings or return hymn books etc. Please also remember to congregate on the grass area to keep the roadway clear for any fire appliances that might attend.

We should hold a fire evacuation drill once a year and next time we shall do our drill to the sound of the fire alarm. If you have any questions please do get in touch via Kevin or Ruth. Our huge thanks to Paul Amos for all his expertise and support in assessing our fire safety needs and pulling together some proportionate procedures.



Here are a few of the items needed from the 2023 shopping list.

CEREAL, NOODLE POTS, CREAM CRACKERS, WET & DRY DOG FOOD, MIXED HERBS, TOMATO PUREE, TOMATO/BROWN SAUCE, TEA, COFFEE, UNISEX TOILETRIES, NAPPIES (SIZE 5-7).

Please no food that needs refrigerating as the Foodbank can't accept it.

THERE IS A FULL SHOPPING LIST IN THE PORCH OT HAVE A LOOK AT THIER WEBISTE FOR OTHER WAYS TO DONATE OR HELP.

www.worcester.foodbank.org.uk

Thank you for your continued support of local people in crisis.