



Sunday Services 22nd June 1st Sunday after Trinity

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10am Sung Eucharist

President & Preacher Revd Neil Summers

Hymns at 10am *Sheet, (tune 278), 497, 581, 437*

Anthem O for a closer walk with God, *Stanford*

Collect

God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

Post Communion

Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The First Reading – Isaiah 65.1-9

“I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me;

I was found by those who did not seek me.

To a nation that did not call on my name,

I said, ‘Here am I, here am I.’

All day long I have held out my hands

to an obstinate people,

who walk in ways not good, pursuing their own imaginations—

a people who continually provoke me

to my very face, offering sacrifices in gardens

and burning incense on altars of brick;

who sit among the graves

and spend their nights keeping secret vigil;

who eat the flesh of pigs,

and whose pots hold broth of impure meat;

who say, ‘Keep away; don’t come near me,

for I am too sacred for you!’

Such people are smoke in my nostrils,

a fire that keeps burning all day.

“See, it stands written before me:

I will not keep silent but will pay back in full;

I will pay it back into their laps—

both your sins and the sins of your ancestors,”

says the Lord.

“Because they burned sacrifices on the mountains

and defied me on the hills, I will measure into their laps

the full payment for their former deeds.”

This is what the Lord says: "As when juice is still found in a cluster of grapes
and people say, 'Don't destroy it,
there is still a blessing in it,' so will I do in behalf of my servants;
I will not destroy them all.
I will bring forth descendants from Jacob,
and from Judah those who will possess my mountains;
my chosen people will inherit them,
and there will my servants live

Second Reading – Galatians 2.23-end

Before the coming of this faith, we were held in custody under the law, locked up until the faith that was to come would be revealed. So the law was our guardian until Christ came that we might be justified by faith. Now that this faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian. So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Gospel – Luke 8.26-39

They sailed to the region of the Gerasenes, which is across the lake from Galilee. When Jesus stepped ashore, he was met by a demon-possessed man from the town. For a long time this man had not worn clothes or lived in a house, but had lived in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell at his feet, shouting at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, don't torture me!" For Jesus had commanded the impure spirit to come out of the man. Many times it had seized him, and though he was chained hand and foot and kept under guard, he had broken his chains and had been driven by the demon into solitary places. Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" "Legion," he replied, because many demons had gone into him. And they begged Jesus repeatedly not to order them to go into the Abyss. A large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside. The demons begged Jesus to let them go into the pigs, and he gave them permission. When the demons came out of the man, they went into the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When those tending the pigs saw what had happened, they ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, and the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting at Jesus' feet, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. Those who had seen it told the people how the demon-possessed man had been cured. Then all the people of the region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them, because they were overcome with fear. So he got into the boat and left.

The man from whom the demons had gone out begged to go with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return home and tell how much God has done for you." So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him.

We welcome The Revd Neil Summers as president & preacher
& Michael Chapman on the organ bench.

Services this coming week

Mon 23 rd June	3:30pm	MESSY CHURCH
Wed 25 th June	9:15am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Communion, coffee & cake. <i>[Recital]</i>
Sun 29 th June	10am	Sung Eucharist, Trinity 1

Save the date!

Mon 14 th July	3.30pm	MESSY CHURCH end of term.
Sat 20 th Sept	7pm	Harvest Supper Community Hall
Sun 5 th Oct	3.30pm	50yr celebration of the Team Ministry

PARISH NOTICES

Fasting in solidarity - Bishop Christopher & Canon Richard Sewell, the Dean of St George's College in Jerusalem, are inviting people to join in fasting in solidarity with Gazans every Wednesday, beginning this Wednesday. Please consider joining Richard by fasting in whatever way you can - using the time to pray for food and aid supplies to get into the region and meet the needs of those who are suffering so terribly. Please be sensible in fasting, doing only as much as you can manage and following medical advice, where necessary.

New - The PCC will meet Tues 24th June at Christ Church 7.30pm

New – St Mary's Churchyard Garden Party: next Sunday, 29 June - 3.00pm - 5.00pm. Delicious homemade cakes, music from our talented band and chorus and, of course, sunshine. What better way of spending an enjoyable Sunday afternoon. All welcome.

New - Temple Sheen Road house group will meet on Monday, 14 July -11am – 12.30pm when we will explore Dr Claire Gilbert's book *I Julian*, about Julian of Norwich. Contact for more information - russenbergerjudith@gmail.com

New – Church Commissioners announce major investment in local churches and parish clergy as £1.6bn three-year national spending plans unveiled, find out more by watching the short video via the link: [Major investment in local churches and parish clergy as £1.6bn three-year national spending plans unveiled | The Church of England](#)

Christian Aid Week Thank you to everyone who was involved in raising funds for Christian Aid. We have sent £5712.50 to Christian Aid, and probably prompted a number of people to donate on-line too.

Tony Scarlett's Funeral will take place at 12:30pm on Tuesday, at Christ Church, all welcome, followed by refreshments in the church. (If possible, please let the Rector know if you anticipate attending for catering purposes).

UPDATE – Summer Recitals at Christ Church for one hour: No charge on Wednesday, 25 June: Rachel Watson – flute and piano
Friday, 27 June: Edmund Lee – solo piano – 7.00pm for approximately 90 minutes. Tickets: adults – £16; under 16 - £8.00. Available on the door or at CC Instagram.

Wednesday, 2 July: Goncalo Caetano – solo guitar

- [**NB** there is not a recital this Friday 20th June]

50 years of the Team Ministry celebrating our beautiful parish: whether you live, work, are educated in or worship here, you're invited to a service of thanksgiving and celebration led by the Bishop of Southwark on Sunday 5th October at 3.30pm at Christ Church followed by refreshments. If you would like to share any photos from 1975 – 2025 please contact the Parish Office.

Holiday at Home - 28th July to 1st August. Come and enjoy a week of activities at All Saints Church at this year's Holiday at Home. The theme will be "All Aboard" to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the birth of the modern railway in the UK. Booking forms available at the back of church. Please take one for anyone you know who might like to come. Completed forms to be sent in by end of June please.

PARISH INTERCESSIONS

Mission and Community Concern: Independent Age. Working to improve the quality of life for older people, providing services and giving the support needed to make informed decisions.

Parish / Wider Church Concern: As Refugee Week comes to an end, we make our prayers for all refugees: the contribution, creativity and resilience of refugees and people seeking sanctuary. We pray for those who minister to, and journey alongside with those displaced and at risk.

World / UK Concern: For peace and reconciliation in the Holy Land and Iran. We continue to pray for those fasting on Wednesdays in solidarity along with Bishop Christopher praying for food and aid supplies to get to regions in need.

Community: For those finishing A levels and GCSE's, and end of term exams. For those struggling with high temperatures across the capital and nation.

The sick and those in need: Toby Zeegen, Mike Pattison, Tony Paterson, Joy Clarke, Alban Clarke.

Those who have died: Tony Scarlett

Years Mind: Jack Syrett, William Curry.

Notices: Please send parish notices (i.e. those to go on notice sheets in all three churches) to Anne Reeves anne_reeves@madasafish.com and for Christ Church only to Revd Jonathan Haynes vicar.cces@gmail.com by Wednesday lunchtime.