

Dear friends,

I have just returned from 5 days at General Synod which met on the York University Campus. Despite the hot weather, the mood was calm, and I give thanks for some very encouraging debates, good decisions and great opportunities for informal conversations - with archbishops over breakfast! There is much good in the C of E, but everyone knows the scale of the challenge that we face.

This Sunday we are holding one United service at 10.30am on Sunday 17 July, followed by a church Family day of activities afterwards at Heatree Activity Centre: please do book to come if you can!

yours in Christ, Graham

What's on this week			
17 Sun		Fifth after Trinity: Believing the Lord	
PPT	10.30am 12.30pm 7.00pm	bible readings: Genesis 15, Rom 4.1-5.1 United Service- Rev Graham Hamilton Family Day at Heatree Activity Centre - see notes 14-18's - PPT Church Rooms	
St Mary's	•	Bible Readings: Genesis 12 1-9, Hebrews 11.8-16	
11.00am		Holy Communion: Rev David Harris	
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18 Mon	9.00am 6.30pm	Morning prayer on Zoom Wise Guys (11-14s) at PPT Church Rooms	
20 Wed	10.00am 7.00pm	Communion service: Rev Graham Hamilton Midweek Prayer Group (on Zoom- see notes)	
21 Thu	7.00am	Prayer Breakfast in the Church Room	
22 Fri	9.00am	Morning prayer on Zoom	
23 Sat	9.00am	Morning prayer on Zoom	
24 Sun		Sixth after Trinity: Don't make me laugh	
PPT	9.30am 11.00pm	bible readings:Genesis 18.1-15, Romans 5.1-8 Sunday Praise & Baptism: Rev Graham Hamilton Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton	
St Mary's	5.00pm	Prayer and Praise: Mr Jack Knightly Bible Readings: Genesis 15, Rom 4.1- 5.1	
11.00am		Morning Worship: tbc	

You can join prayers on Zoom at: <u>https://zoom.us/j/98621308247?</u> <u>pwd=RGRoR2RXK3hac1IWQnJKL0gwbmxmdz09</u> Meeting ID: 986 2130 8247: Passcode: 102020

Notices

New to PPT? We email this bulletin every week (with <u>working hyper-links</u>) to the members of the Church Family Roll. If you would like to receive this, to join the electoral roll, or find out more what it means to be part of the church family, then please complete a "Connect" card in church, or email <u>office@pptbovey.church</u>

Mission Focus for July: Falcon Camps is an important part of the ministry of CPAS. It provides holidays for children who would not normally get a holiday for various reasons. Like many other organisations camps have been cancelled during the past three years because of COVID thus leaving many young people disappointed. This year plans are in hand to hold 14 different camps thus giving the children a time of happiness and an opportunity to learn more about Jesus. CPAS really appreciate the support we have given to the work of Falcon and would welcome support again this year both financially and in prayer.

Threads Through Creation: A spectacular exhibition of twelve huge textile panels retelling the creation story in the book of Genesis , produced by Jacqui Frost at Exeter Cathedral from 8th June to 24th July

Church Family Day out Sun 17 July: Join the church family after a United service (at 10.30) at PPT for a picnic lunch at 12.30 and fun and games at Heatree Activity Centre. Bring your own picnic and chairs and join in with Low Adventures with the Heatree Instructors or play Lawn Games such as Giant Chess or Jenga! For Low Adventures please wear clothes that you don't mind getting wet or muddy and bring a spare set of dry clothes! Cream Tea at 3.30pm (small donation). Informal Act of Worship to close at 430pm. Book with https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ppt-family-day-at-heatree-activity-centre-tickets-368829507987 or call Camilla (01364 661195)

HITS: Please keep giving - the gifts are much needed. Current priority needs: **Food:** instant mash potato, instant noodles, pot noodles, instant custard, jars or packets of pasta sauce, small tins of spaghetti, small tins of macaroni cheese, small tins of tomatoes.**Toiletries:** size 5 nappies, shampoo (not conditioner).

Volunteer Cleaners for our Church - A request from the Churchwardens

In previous years we have had a team of volunteers who cleaned the church regularly. The church building was divided into small areas and each person was responsible for keeping their designated areas clean (the frequency of cleaning was left to the individual). This work was discontinued when the Covid lockdowns were implemented and we would now like to ask you if you would be willing to be part of a new team. The work is not onerous and the time that you choose to do the cleaning is decided by you. All cleaning materials are provided and will be made readily available.

If anyone is interested, and we really hope that some of you are, then would you please contact either Mike or Jill

We should add that our cleaner is not paid to clean the church, only the church rooms including all the facilities therein.

<u>Nourish Festival Tickets</u> for **Tenebrae** on Sat 10 September are now on sale (<u>https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/nourish-festival-</u>)for £25 (U18 £5):

Collect for Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God,

by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified:

hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,

that in their vocation and ministry

they may serve you in holiness and truth

to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Prayer List: Mary Bambridge, Theresa Samuels, Juliet Borowiec, Nina Colby-Clark, Christine Downing, Hans Hodes, Brian and Jenny Huxtable, Caroline Limb, Noah Maynard, Mathew Percy, Ann Power, Helen Robert, Michelle Sadd, Carola Saunders

In memory: Rosemary Barker,

Mon 18 July: Ps 98, 1 Sam 1.1-20

Pray for a stable future for British farmers and fishing, and for food security in the face of soaring prices, and for the welfare of livestock and crops in this hot weather

Tue 19 July: Ps 106, 1 Sam 1.21-2.11

Give thanks for the 14 Falcon camps taking place this summer, for leaders to provide pastoral support and Christian witness

Wed 20 July: Ps 111, 1 Sam 2.12-26

Pray for County, town and district councils in their responsibilities for planning, road maintenance and action to alleviate hardship among those worst hit by the recession.

Thu 21 July: Ps 115, 1 Sam 2.27-end

Give thanks for our armed forces, diplomatic and security services, and pray that they may be equipped to deter our enemies

Fri 22 July: (Mary Magdalene): Ps 30, 1 Sam 16.14-end

Give thanks for the ministry and witness of women, and for Mary Magdalene, the apostle of resurrection to the apostles.

Sat 23 July: Ps 120-121, 1 Sam 4.1-end

Pray for those who care for people at home, especially for family members, that they may find support and regular respite.

Sun 24 July: 6th after Trinity: Ps 95, Song of Solomon 2

Pray for Joshua Knightly being baptised this morning at 9.30am.

Discussion Questions

Icebreaker: Can you keep a promise? What broken promises do you remember?

What had God promised Abraham in Gen 12.1-7?

Read Gen 15.1-7: What so far has been fulfilled? How long ago (compare 12.4, 16.16)

Does Abram's question vv2-3 show faith or a lack of it?

God repeats his promise and deepens it -vv 4-5

What does righteousness mean? v.6 Compare Gen 15.1

Read Romans 4.11-end. What makes us true children of Abraham?

Read Gen 15.8-end. What is God doing in commanding these sacrifices? What covenant signs does God give us?

Why does God tell Abram the future history of his people? Will it assure him v.15?

What does Jesus tell his church about the future? How can it strengthen and assure us?

Pray for one another that we value God's word and sacraments and persevere in faith.

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