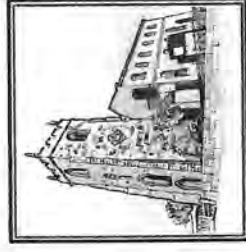


# From 12<sup>th</sup> June 2022



PARISH CHURCH OF  
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*Dear Friends,*

Now that we have been able to celebrate Jesus' Ascension and the outpouring of God's Holy Spirit at Pentecost, both of which are there at the start of the Book of Acts, over the next weeks we shall enjoy some of the memorable moments in Acts chapters 8 to 12.

This is also a good time of year to enjoy more fellowship opportunities, after 2 years of severe limitations. Church attenders plus family members and friends are very welcome to the Garden Treasure Hunt on Sunday afternoon 19<sup>th</sup> June. Choose one, two or all three gardens. Bring a donation for your refreshments. Mothers' Union have their 7.30pm Strawberry Supper on Wednesday evening 14<sup>th</sup> June. And save the date of the birthday party at the vicarage on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

With every blessing in Christ,



## Weekly services

Sunday 9am Holy Communion in church  
Sunday 10am Genesis children's group (most Sundays)  
Sunday 10.30am Morning Worship in church (HC 4<sup>th</sup> Sun)  
Mon, Tue, Wed 9am Morning Prayer on Zoom  
Wednesday 10.30am Midweek Communion in church

## Weekly Growth Groups

Sunday 6.30pm Rob's Jesus-100 group on Zoom  
Monday 8pm Tim's group, mainly on Zoom  
Monday 8pm Rob's group, nearly always on Zoom  
Tuesday 7.15pm Exodus for 11-15s Zoom or church hall  
Tuesday 7.30pm Lee's group, nearly always on Zoom

## Church Officers

Churchwardens: Jayne Weaver  
Assistants: Yvonne Janvier, Peter Cotton  
Church Treasurer: Trevor Jenkins  
Genesis leaders: Fiona Pulle, Jayne Cawood, Karen Cragg  
Exodus leaders: Rachel Copley, Rob McLaren  
Safeguarding Officer: Lee Hardy (temporary)  
PCC Secretary: Janet Chettle  
Comms Team: Steve Smith, Trevor Jenkins, Alan Rickards  
Church hall lettings: Barbara Street  
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## **Garden Treasure Trail: 19th June 2pm-5pm**

We are selling maps for £1 in Church, to guide people between 3 houses - 12 Southlands (scones, jam, cream, tea and coffee provided here), 14 St. Andrew's Drive (Prosecco, soft drinks and nibbles here) and 74A London Road (cakes, tea and coffee served here).

The map will show a treasure trail between the three houses in any order you like, and there will be donation bowls at each venue. We aim to provide activities for the children in each garden as well. This is just a chance for everyone to enjoy socialising once again.

Could we please have donations of cakes? These can be brought to Church on the morning of June 19th or given to any Social Committee member:- Barbara Street, Bridget Senior, Carole Elliott, Jean McLaren, Judith Copley, Rachel Copley

## **Psalms teaching series in July/Aug**

Requested psalms will be the sermon theme on Wednesday communions from 8<sup>th</sup> June, and Sunday mornings from 17<sup>th</sup> July. Psalm 121 came top, Psalms 139 and 150 were second, and also requested were Psalms 23, 27, 36, 46, 51, 66, 67, 86, 91, 96, 104, 105, 137, 143, 145. Thanks for voting.

## **New Treasurer, plus churchwarden**

Trevor Jenkins is our new treasurer, and we need to find another Churchwarden to assist Jayne, plus either new Assistant Wardens or more active Sidesmen to cover the back-of-house work at our Services.

## **Genesis Sundays**

Genesis (for Primary-aged children) meets on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>. The start time is 10am. 5<sup>th</sup> June is a Jubilee service at the Leisure Centre, 17<sup>th</sup> June is a Father's Day family service.

## **New pew cushions**

Following a request at the Annual Meetings, repeated by others, the PCC Standing Committee has arranged) in the back pew for a selection of sample pew cushions to be considered (with their costs). The colour is to be a deep red, but what style is the best? And would you be willing to contribute?

## **Communion wine**

The PCC has read the responses of the Questionnaire and has decided, after a heartfelt debate addressing many people's concerns, to re-introduce wine at Communion, using individual cups at the front. We hope this might be able to start in a few weeks' time.

## **Church hall refurbishment continues**

A generous gift at the end of last year has allowed us to make good plans for the refurbishment of the church hall. A new front door and locking system is in place, and just recently the ceiling has been renewed. We hope to see new windows and fire door over the Summer, plus interior painting/decorating. We also wish to replace the plastic bucket chairs with a lighter, more comfortable chair, with a cloth seat and back in a similar shade to the existing armchairs. More details soon.

## **Fathers' Day family service 19th June**

Our 10.30 service on Fathers' Day will be an all-age service with all the church family welcome in church together.

## **Sidesmen Gathering 23<sup>rd</sup> June**

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June between 6.30 and 8.30 in the Massey Room, to thank our sidesmen and discuss altered roles.

## **Save the date: Rob & Jean's b'day bash**

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September from 6pm. No presents, but a chance for all the church family to celebrate big birthdays with Jean & Rob!

## **Questionnaire Results available**

A summary of the results has been sent to everyone on our email list. Some paper copies are available at the back of church. To join the church email list, contact [comms@stlukesholmeschapel.uk](mailto:comms@stlukesholmeschapel.uk)