

#### Services this week

Sunday 21st September – 14th after Trinity

Said Communion 8.30 10.00 Holy Communion

**Brick Church** 4.00

**Thursday 25th September** 

**Holy Communion** 1.30

Sunday 28th September – 15th after Trinity

8.30 Said Communion

10.00 Family Communion

# **Sunday 21st September 2025** 14th after Trinity St Matthew the Apostle

#### Collect

O Almighty God, whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax collector to be an apostle and evangelist: give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain and the possessive love of riches that we may follow in the way of your Son Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### **Prayer after Communion**

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Amen

OT Proverbs 3, 13 - 18 Page 537 Page 167 NT 2 Corinthians 4. 1 - 6 GOSPEL Matthew 9, 9 - 13 Page 9

Hymns: all hymns will be on the screen this week

Refreshments served in Amberley School hall after 10am service

Sunday services - Until further notice 8.30 service is in the hall and 10.00 service and Junior Church in Amberley Primary School.

## **The Way Forward Update**

Work continues in the church building; high level scaffolding is in place to complete repairs and decorating of the ceiling and walls.

Heating installation is progressing well, and the decorating and remedial plastering is underway.

The font looks perfect in its new location, the rooms under the Mezzanine are taking shape and we have stairs up to the Organ space. Outside the drainage is complete awaiting connection to the sewer by Northumbria water contractors.

The project continues to run smoothly but we are looking at a delay in returning to church. Amberley are happy to continue facilitating worship in their hall until then.

We are unfortunately not in a position to proceed with phase 2 external building works at this point and work continues behind the scenes to identify funding opportunities.

Your continued support is appreciated and we look forward to providing further updates and photos in the coming weeks. Please hold the project and our contractors in your prayers as we strive to create a warm and welcoming space for our congregation and the wider community we serve.

As always if you have any questions please speak to a member if The Way Forward group.

**Prayer List** Please pray for: Alison Alderson, Naomi Appleby, Carole Bell, Eddie Bolton, Lesley Bolton, Claire Brooks, Lynne Brown, Derek Foggon, Eunice Goff, Stuart Haig, Kath Heppell, Jean Heron, Vera Hindmarsh, Diana Jones, Jenny Kennell, Iris Kitching, Pam McKie, Fiona McKie, Jess Morton.

Request forms for prayer list/pastoral visits are in the green folder.

**Thank you!** I just wanted to say a massive thank you for all your very generous donations, I really appreciated them and were a huge help in my exceeding my target and raising over £800 for Percy Hedly Foundation! Charlotte X (Henderson)

### **Upcoming Events and Notices**

Our chaplaincy work at George Stephenson High School is about to begin! Thank you for your support so far, and please keep praying for this initiative. There is also practical help you may be able to give: we could do with a couple of small comfy chairs, a small rug and a coffee table to make the chaplaincy room (we have a room!) the most welcoming it can be. If anyone has any such items they are willing to donate, contact Hilary on 07909 444215.

**Forest Church** meeting every two months at The Rising Sun Country Park a joint venture with local churches. See Rev Sarah for more info.

**Know your Neighbourhood Know your Church** Each session has tasks for the participants and for the wider congregation. This week's task for us is to pray for our street/estate.

As you pray ask God to show you what His vision is for your neighbours.

Macmillan Coffee/Tea and Cake Afternoon - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2-4pm in the hall. Refreshments, Cake stall, jam and marmalade stall and Raffle.

**11**<sup>th</sup> **October Deanery Day** 9:30 (for a 10am start) till 2.30pm Join us at St Nicholas' Church Cramlington to find out about the deanery and share ideas resources to help all our churches grow. Including workshops on Buildings, Children's Work, Grant Applications, Using CANVA etc.

**Save the Date: Christmas Fair Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 1-3pm** this will be our major fundraising event this year please speak to Rev Sarah or Angela if you'd like to join the team or help on the day.

**Website** Item for the website to Rev Sarah by email. Events and articles are always better with pictures!

**The Bay Foodbank** Please bring donations in bags to Amberley School or the Hall so that we continue to support those in need.

Easyfundraising link to St John's:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stjohnskillingworthparishchurch/?utm campaign=raise-more&utm content=en-n1
Please support this way of raising funds - £1635 raised to date.

**Parish share** Unfortunately we are not currently able to pay our full quota this year. The PCC and Finance sub-group would like to encourage you to support the up coming fair, and to review your regular giving. Just like TESCO "every little helps".

### **Regular Events and Services**

**Baptism Enquiries** Contact Rev Sarah Moon <u>vicar@kilingworthparish.org.uk</u> or 07703268450

Midweek Communion Thursdays at 1.30pm in the Hall. All welcome

Junior Church Sundays 10am weekly in term-time for all children.

**Explore@4** 1st Sunday Little Explorers at 4pm in the Hall

3rd Sunday Brick Church at 4pm in the Hall

Next Family Communion Service 28th September

Next Forest Church 12th October

Healing Service 6pm every quarter, next service Sunday 12th October

Monthly Book Club at Joyce's -9th October. 10-11.30am until further notice

Mondays 10am Knit & Natter at The King's Arms, except bank holidays

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Notices to Marion Mullen please

Gluten-free wafers are available by request to a sides person before the service. In order to protect anyone who is gluten intolerant we cannot permit intinction (dipping wafers into the wine)