



This newsletter covers the period Sunday 28th June
to Saturday 11th July

Services

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Readings: [Romans 6:12-end](#); [Matt 10:40-end](#)

12.30pm. Baptism at Westerham. We welcome today the family and friends of Jazmine as they bring her to be baptised. Please remember her in your prayers.

Whoever you are, wherever you live, whichever church you consider 'yours', whatever life is like for you and regardless of money, status, (dis)ability or anything else, you will be welcome at any service in the Benefice.

Sunday 5th July, Fifth after Trinity/Peter and Paul

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Readings: [Romans 7:15-25a](#); [Matthew 11:16-1,25-end](#)

Choral Evensong at 6pm: a Joint Benefice service to celebrate our second anniversary. Everybody's welcome.

Readings: [Genesis 28:10-17](#); [1 Peter 2:1-10](#)

Sunday 12th July, Sixth after Trinity

8.00am, Traditional Communion at Westerham: a said service

10.00am, Holy Communion at Crockham Hill: a relaxed, welcoming service in modern language with hymns. Please join us for refreshments and a chat afterwards.

Readings: [Romans 8:1-11](#); [Matthew 13: 1-9,18-23](#)

10.30am, 2nd Sunday at Westerham: our informal service of *word, prayer and praise*. There's worship, songs, craft activities and refreshments available throughout. Come and join us and learn more about '*Gifts of the Spirit*'. *Everybody's* welcome.

Diary

Day	Time	Week 29 th June to 4 th July in our churches
Mon – Fri		Benefice Office closed
Tuesday	9.00am 10am – 12 noon 7.45pm	Morning Prayer (Crockham Hill): a short service of prayers and readings Coffee Time at Westerham Community Hub in the John Fryth Room (JFR). Join us for tea, coffee, snacks and friendship Bellringing practice
Wed - Sat	9.00am	Morning Prayer (Westerham) in the Resurrection Chapel
Wednesday	10am 10am – 12 noon 11am	Midweek Communion (Westerham): a said service. Jigsaw Group at Westerham Community Hub in the JFR. Come along for refreshments and a chat Funeral of the late Rod Cooper at Crockham Hill. The family invites everyone to attend and afterwards at the Carpenters Arms. No dress code
Thursday	1.30pm 7pm	Memorial service for the late Mrs Audrey Tudor (Westerham) Choir practice in the John Fryth Room
Saturday	2pm	Wedding of Lisa and Nick (Westerham)

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Thursday	7pm	Choir practice in the John Fryth Room
Saturday	11.30am	Burial of ashes of the late Mrs Penny Rich (Westerham)

News

The John Fryth Room in Westerham was the venue for four artists exhibiting their work for **Art in June**. These were Kate Rogers, Miranda Pearson, Katia Dia and Ellie Schwark. There was a lot of interest and over 500 people visited. Thank you those involved at Westerham for making us welcome and letting us use the space.



At our regular, informal **2nd Sunday** service in Westerham this month, we explored the theme of *Fruits of the Spirit* with just under 50 adults and children.

There was live music from our musicians and singers of all ages; bible readings from congregation member; activities including a bible discussion, acrostic prayer writing, making *Fruits of the Spirit* prayers (which are now on display on the tree near the bell tower) and private prayer opportunities; as well as the usual fellowship over refreshments.

It was lovely to see new faces and people returning, too. Thank you to everyone involved - from those who attended, to those who helped plan, set up, take part and/or pack away afterwards. If you'd like to get involved in helping out in any way, don't hesitate to tell Revds Dave and Emma, or another member of the team.

2nd Sunday Team

Notices

Are you ready to go deeper in faith?

Were you baptized as a child and now it's time to take another step? Or as an adult or teenager, maybe in a different church, and want to confirm your faith within the Church of England? Perhaps you've been to Communion, and wondered what it is all about.

On 22nd November at St Luke's Sevenoaks, the Bishop will host a Confirmation Service. People from across our Deanery will stand up as Christians to declare their faith. The Bishop lays hands upon them and prays for the gift of the Holy Spirit, then they receive Holy Communion for the first time. It's a very special service that affirms us in our journey and relationship with God, bringing us fully into his community. If you're not baptized, you can do that at the same time. We will be holding Confirmation classes in September. If you would like to sign up, please give your details to Revd Dave or Emma, or contact the Benefice Office.

Waitrose Green Tokens – If you shop at the Edenbridge branch, don't forget to support Edenbridge Christian Trust and Bridges, who are named charities this month.

Eden Christian Trust: Please could you give a couple of minutes of your time and help support the ECT Youth Organisation by

nominating us to win a £5,000 award via the following link:
<https://movementforgood.com/draws/special/community#nominateACharity>

Please use the details below when nominating: **Charity no: 1001961 then click search; charity Name: Eden Christian Trust; charity type: Community**

Thank you in advance for your support.



A Prayer for Peace: God of peace and justice, we lift up to you the peoples of Ukraine, the Middle East and Somalia and Sudan today. We pray for all the world's war zones, for the laying down of weapons and end to calls of violence; for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them; for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, asking you to hold, protect and provide for them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Kasper, the latest member of the team

**Please send news and notices to the Benefice Office
by 12pm on Wednesdays**

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(working days Sunday – Wednesday)

St Mary's Church, Westerham
2nd Sunday
12th July at 10.30am



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