

In the month ahead...

Each Thursday (Warm Welcome)

9.15am Little Pineapples (term- time)

11.30am Place of Welcome

Each Friday (term-time)

5.30pm Youth zone.

Each Sunday

10.0am Children's Choir

Hymns for today

Children's choir, 790,592, 264.

Prayer list:

We are starting a fresh list of names to appear on the Prayer list each month. Please ask for names to be added by the last Sunday in the month.

Please pray for:

James Kelly, Thelma & Mike, John, Rosie, Anne, Ellen, June, Chris, Laurel, Skye, Jan, Lily, Sue Boon, Kirsty & family, David, Oliver, Shamsi, Tina, Steph..

For peace and resolution in Gaza and Israel, and for all the people of Israel Palestine, particularly those whose homes have been destroyed, and for families who are bereaved or separated from one another.

For peace in Ukraine and for all whose lives have been devastated by conflict, war or the effects of climate change.

For our Churchwardens and Ministry Team

For the young people of YouthZone and for the families of Little Pineapples

For our ministry of hospitality in Church, Hall and Garden and the groups who use them.

Ascension Stirchley is committed to the safeguarding of children, young people and adults. Our Safeguarding Officer is Dr Helen Campbell.

Ministry Team

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Sunday 12th July Six Sunday after Trinity



Open - Generous - Faithful



Welcome!

10.00am Sunday Morning Worship
- a Eucharist



Refreshments are served at the back of the Church building, around 11.00am, giving us time for conversation together. Everyone is very welcome.

DAILY COMMON PRAYER

We pray Morning Prayer together on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9.15am over Zoom. Please ask for the link to join.

NEXT SUNDAY -

10.00am Sunday Morning Worship
- a Eucharist

COMMUNITY THURSDAYS Every Thursday morning our buildings are open and all are welcome to meet, to pray or simply to be. Do come along, and do spread the word!

God of Mission
who alone brings growth to your Church
Send your Holy Spirit to give
vision to our planning
wisdom to our actions
and power to our witness.
Help our church to grow
in numbers
in spiritual commitment to you
and in service to our local community
through Jesus.

Collect

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Psalms 119.105–112

105 Your word is a lantern to my feet •
and a light upon my path.
106 I have sworn and will fulfil it, •
to keep your righteous judgements.
107 I am troubled above measure; •
give me life, O Lord, according to your word.
108 Accept the freewill offering of my mouth, O Lord, •
and teach me your judgements.
109 My soul is ever in your hand, •
yet I do not forget your law.
110 The wicked have laid a snare for me, •
but I have not strayed from your commandments.
111 Your testimonies have I claimed as my heritage for
ever; • for they are the very joy of my heart.
112 I have applied my heart to fulfil your statutes: •
always, even to the end.

Romans 8.1–11

8 There is therefore now no condemnation for those
who are in Christ Jesus.
2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set
you free from the law of sin and of death.
3 For God has done what the law, weakened by the
flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the
likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he
condemned sin in the flesh,
4 so that the just requirement of the law might be
fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but
according to the Spirit.
5 For those who live according to the flesh set their
minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live
according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of
the Spirit.
6 To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the
mind on the Spirit is life and peace.
7 For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is
hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it
cannot,
8 and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.
9 But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since
the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not
have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.
10 But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead
because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness.
11 If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead
dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will
give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that
dwells in you.

Matthew 13.1–9, 18–23

13 That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat
beside the lake.
2 Such great crowds gathered around him that he got
into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood
on the beach.
3 And he told them many things in parables, saying:
Listen! A sower went out to sow.
4 And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the
birds came and ate them up.
5 Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not
have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they
had no depth of soil.
6 But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since
they had no root, they withered away.
7 Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up
and choked them.
8 Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain,
some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.
9 Let anyone with ears listen!
18 Hear then the parable of the sower.
19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and
does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches
away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on
the path.
20 As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the
one who hears the word and immediately receives it with
joy;
21 yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a
while, and when trouble or persecution arises on
account of the word, that person immediately falls away.
22 As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one
who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the
lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing.
23 But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one
who hears the word and understands it, who indeed
bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in
another sixty, and in another thirty.

Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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