

St George's Church, Benenden

Our Mission: "To know and love Jesus and make his love known to all"

Our Worship: 18th October The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Collect: God, the giver of life, whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church: by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life; 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.

Sunday 18th October – The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Readings: 1 Thess. 1.1-10, Matthew 22.15-22

8 am HOLY COMMUNION IN THE CHANCEL AT ST GEORGE'S

led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

10 am SUNG EUCHARIST AT BENENDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

led by Revd David Commander

Hymns: 612 Christ triumphant, ever reigning

164 *You are the King of glory*

704 *Let all the world*

276 *Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty*

1.45 for 2 pm 'Walk Church' – meeting and departing from The Green, outside St George's

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 19 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at the Rectory
	7.30 pm	Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
Tuesday 20 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
	2.30 pm	t/I Aurea Gregory Thanksgiving Service at St Nicholas, Sandhurst
Wednesday 21 st	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	7.30 – 9.15 pm	Bellringing Practice at St George's
Friday 23 rd	8 am	Morning Prayer at the Rectory
	9 – 11 am	Cakes & Chaos Toddler Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
	12 noon	Interment at St George's t/I Colin & Barbara Keeble
Saturday 24 th	4 pm	'Connect Four' family service at Sandhurst Mission Church

Sunday Next: 25th October – Bible Sunday

Readings: Col 3:12-17; Matt 24:30-35. Psalm 119:9-16;

8 am HOLY COMMUNION IN THE CHANCEL AT ST GEORGE'S

led by Revd David Commander

10 am MORNING WORSHIP BENENDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

led by David Harmsworth

2 pm Revd David's Pilgrimage Talk – at Sandhurst Mission Church

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1 Thess. 1.1-10

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

² We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly

³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of people we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place where your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

Matthew 22.15-22

¹⁵ Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' ²¹They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Prayers:

t/l **Aurea Gregory.** Aurea's Thanksgiving service, to which all are welcome, is at St Nicholas Church, Sandhurst this coming Tuesday, 20th October at 2.30 pm.

Please hold Clive and Jenny, Adrian and Lisa and their families in your prayers. Revd David

Home Groups: Sandhurst: Meets on Mondays at Sandhurst Mission Church at 7.30 pm.

Benenden: Next meets on Tuesday, 27th October at David & Julia Collard's at 7.30 pm.

Friends of Kent Churches Ride & Stride: A big thank you and congratulations to Jo Clube and Richard Stewart for biking around the Kent churches on Saturday 12th September. Jo and Richard raised in excess of £530. This sum will be shared equally between the Friends of Kent Churches and St George's Church. Thank you very much to Jo and Richard for taking part and thank you very much to everyone who sponsored their efforts and to everyone who supported 'Ride & Stride'.

TODAY- Sunday 18th October

'Walk Church' comes to St George's Benenden

We will meet on the Green adjacent to St George's at 1.45 for a 2 pm start. Our walk is just under 2 hours (approximately 3 miles) and will take in some beautiful views of the local countryside, finishing at Balmoral cottage (the home of Charlotte and Donald Molesworth) where we will enjoy refreshments and cake and a look round the garden. Tim Bentley

Walk Church is an experimental "Fresh expression" congregation that offers outdoor Christian fellowship in the context of a walk. We meet once a month at a different location around the Diocese. For more details, please contact Revd Alex Bienfait Email alexander.bienfait@gmail.com, or Tel 07817 892005.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Remembrance Sunday, 8th November.**

Remembrance Service, 10.45 am at Benenden Village Hall;
followed by the act of remembrance at the war memorial

- **"Come and See": St George's Church: Open days, Saturday 14th November, 10 am to 5 pm, and Sunday 15th November, 12.30 pm to 5 pm.**

- **Advent Sunday, 29th November: 10 am Celebration service as St George's Church re-opens!**
(Plus our Candle-lit Advent Carol service is at 5pm.) - Only six weeks to go!

'CONNECT FOUR'

Our informal family service

4pm - Saturday 24th October

at Sandhurst Mission Church, Back Road TN18 5JU



Come along and connect with:

***- family and friends - tea, coffee, cake - the Bible - worship - and God!
Refreshments throughout.***

Revd David's Pilgrimage - Winchester to Canterbury

Thank you to everyone who sponsored and supported my recent Pilgrimage walk. The response has been extremely generous and heartening. Donations are still coming in, but so far - including Gift-Aid that we will be able to claim - the total raised for the Kitchen Phase of the RRR Project is £14,723. That is amazing!

If you want to know more about my walk, I will be giving a talk on Sunday 25th October at 2 pm in the Mission Church in Sandhurst.

(Refreshments and cake will, of course, be on offer!) Revd David.

All Souls' Day Service.
Monday 2nd November, 7.30 pm, at St Nicholas Church
Refreshments from 7pm.

Names of loved ones who have passed away in the last three years will be read out.

If there are other names to be requested, please add these to the lists in church.

Or, please email the name of your loved one to Cathy at benendenchurch@gmail.com



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