

The Parish of St George's, Benenden

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

Our Worship 20th May Pentecost / Whit Sunday

Collect: God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION

led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

Bible Readings:

Acts 2.1-21

John 15.26-27 & 16.4b-15

10.00 am SUNG EUCHARIST

& BAPTISM OF JACK & JUNO HUNTER

led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

We welcome Jack and Juno and their family and friends to St George's today.

HYMNS	
236	Breathe on me breath of God
258	O thou who camest
242	Come Holy Spirit come
241	Veni Creator - Communion anthem
427	Behold the Lamb - Communion hymn
238i	Come down O love divine

4.00 pm MESSY CHURCH AT ST GEORGE'S led by Revd Iori Price

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 21 st	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	9.00 am	BCP Assembly
Tuesday 22 nd	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
Wednesday 23 rd	8.00 pm	Home Group at Tim & Diane Bentley's
	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Coffee Morning at Benenden Memorial Hall
	7.30 pm	Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
Thursday 24 th	7.45 pm	Bell Ringing Practice at St George's
	9.30 - 11.30 am	BPS Music Lessons
	7.30 pm	St George's F&F meeting
Friday 25 th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	9.00 - 11.00 am	Cakes & Chaos at St George's
	3.00 pm	BPS Assembly
	6.45 pm	Choir Practice at St George's

Sunday Next: 27th May – Trinity Sunday

8.00 am Holy Communion led by Revd David Commander

10.00 am Morning Worship led by Rickie Bishop

1.00 pm Baptism of Emily Seton at St George's

4.00 pm Praise Service at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Vicki Young

Readings: Sunday 20th May

Acts 2.1-21 The Coming of the Holy Spirit

²When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' ¹³But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

Peter Addresses the Crowd

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ "In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

John 15.26-27, 16.4b-15

²⁶ 'When the Advocate* comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. ⁴But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.

The Work of the Spirit

'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate* will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about* sin and righteousness and judgement: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

¹² 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Home Groups:

The Tuesday Home Group meets at 8pm. *Please note the following special arrangements for May:*

- The Home Group on Tuesday 22nd May will be held at Tim and Diane Bentley's.
- There will be no Home Group on Tuesday 29th May due to the PCC Meeting on that evening.

The Wednesday Home Group meets at 7.30pm at Sandhurst Mission Church.

Confirmation: Are you interested in being Confirmed? Do you want to know what Confirmation is about? Would you like to take part fully in the Eucharist and receive Communion? If so, please speak to Revd David. Also put this advance date in your diary now: Sunday 23rd September 2018. We may have a few people interested in being Confirmed this year, so there will also be safety in numbers! And it doesn't matter what your age is. Just let me know if you are interested. Revd David.

20-20 Project: A Faculty has been applied for regarding the reordering of the back of the church and the work previously undertaken by Archdeacon's Licence. A public notice has gone on display inside and outside of the Church for 28 days, as required. You are encouraged to read the Notice.

Prayers: Joan Worthington has sadly died. Joan was a member of St George's Church for 48 years. Her funeral will be at 11am on Thursday 31st May. Please pray for Joan and her family and friends at this time.



P E N T E C O S T
MESSY CHURCH - TODAY!
SUNDAY 20TH MAY
4pm at St George's

Cakes & Chaos meets every Friday in term time from 9 to 11 am

Please note - we are back at St George's

All welcome!

St George's Church has a new website: www.benendenchurch.org

Follow us on Facebook:  [@StGeorgesBenenden](https://www.facebook.com/StGeorgesBenenden)

10th Annual Richard Beattie Davis Sandhurst Musical Events for Hospice in the Weald

SATURDAY JULY 28th at 3pm. Oliver Davies (pf) and Adrian Bradbury (cello) will be performing at this year's garden party event. The interesting programme will consist of Cui, Glazunov, Piatti and others .
Tickets by donation (minimum £17)

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 12th at 3pm. Alexander Karpeyev will be playing Medtner, Tchaikovsky, Rachmaninov and other repertoire from his homeland.
Tickets by donation (minimum £15)

OCTOBER date to be announced at 3pm. Daniel Grimwood will be presenting another interesting programme. (NB Daniel will also be appearing at the Etchingam Festival on July 5th)
Tickets by donation (minimum £15)

**All events take place in a private home in Sandhurst with a fine Steinway grand piano.
Reservations in advance only from Gillian Davis 01580 850384**

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All items for the weekly notices should be sent to benendenchurch@gmail.com by 10am the preceding Wednesday please.