

# The Parish of St George's, Benenden

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

## Our Worship: 20<sup>th</sup> October

### Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

**Collect:** Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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.

**8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION**  
led by Revd David Commander

**10.00 am SUNG EUCHARIST**  
led by Revd David Commander

**Bible Readings:**  
*2 Timothy 3.14-4.5*  
*Luke 18.1-8*

Hymns	
99	Hail to the Lord's anointed
383	Lord thy word abideth
129	Lord Teach us how to pray
Communion anthem	<i>I will lift up my eyes- Walford Davies</i>
Communion hymn 394	<i>Tell out my soul</i>
765	Praise to the Lord

**4.00 pm MESSY CHURCH**  
led by Revd David Commander

#### The Week Ahead

Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>	8.00 am	Morning Worship
	5.30 pm	Churchwardens' meeting at the Rectory
	7.30 pm	'Ethiopia: The Cross & the Coffee Pot' illustrated talk at St George's by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	8.00 am	Morning Worship at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd David Commander
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	8.00 pm	Home Group at Julia & David Collard's
	8.00 am	Morning Worship Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Coffee Shop at the Memorial
	7.00 pm	Choir Practice <i>at the Memorial Hall</i>
	7.45 pm	Bell Ringing Practice
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	F&F meeting at Iden Green Pavilion
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am	Morning Worship
	8.00 pm	Bellringing Practice
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup>	1.00 pm	Baptism of Mimi Rose Beard
	2.30 pm	Quarter Peal attempt

#### Sunday Next: 27<sup>th</sup> October – Last Sunday after Trinity

*Readings: 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18, Luke 18.9-14*

**8.00 am Holy Communion** led by Revd David Commander

**10.00 am Morning Worship** led by Richard & Sue Fisher

**Readings: Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October**

**2 Timothy 3.14-4.5**

<sup>14</sup>But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, <sup>15</sup>and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup>All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

<sup>4</sup>In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: <sup>2</sup>proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. <sup>3</sup>For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, <sup>4</sup>and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. <sup>5</sup>As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

**Luke 18.1-8**

**The Parable of the Widow and the Unjust Judge**

<sup>18</sup>Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. <sup>2</sup>He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. <sup>3</sup>In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." <sup>4</sup>For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." ' <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. <sup>7</sup>And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

**Home Groups:** The Tuesday Home Group meets at 8pm in Benenden, usually at Julia and David Collard's. The Wednesday Home Group meets at 7.30pm at the Mission Church. All are welcome to both groups. *There is no Wednesday Home Group this week.*

**Choir Practice:** Benenden church choir will now practise on **Wednesdays from 7pm to 8pm in the Memorial Hall**. This is a trial period until after Christmas. Sue Fisher

**The Fabric & Finance Committee** meets at 7.30pm on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October at Iden Green Pavilion.

***'Ethiopia: The Cross and the Coffee Pot'***

***An illustrated talk by Revd Rosemary***

***on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 7.30pm in St George's Church,  
Benenden***

*Ethiopia is a country of fascinating diversity and, whether you are into history, geology, anthropology, ornithology, art history, theology - or coffee! - you will find plenty here to ponder.*

*Do come and join us - and prepare to be amazed!*

*Donations are invited for the charity WATER4ETHIOPIA.*

**On Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** from 10.00am to 12.00 noon there will be a sale of Christmas cards in aid of Hospice in the Weald. Enjoy coffee and cake too. Jenny Stevens.

***BLEND – Youth Group for all 11 to 15 year olds  
Tuesdays IN TERM TIME from 4 to 6pm  
at Sandhurst Mission Church, Back Road TN18 5JU***



**HERE AT ST GEORGE'S  
TODAY  
SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER**

**4-6pm**

***Commemoration of the Faithful Departed  
Service at St George's, Benenden***

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November - 7.30pm led by Revd David Commander  
(refreshments in church from 7pm)**

***All Saints' Service at St Nicholas, Sandhurst  
Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November - 10 am led by Lyn Hayes***

***Should you wish the name of a loved one to be read out at either of the above  
services, please email or telephone Cathy in the Benefice Office:***

***Tel 01580 850 849 Email: [benendenchurch@gmail.com](mailto:benendenchurch@gmail.com)***

***by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October please***

***Or put your request on the form at the back of church***

**Weald Deanery News: The Weald Greenhouse launch:** The Weald Greenhouse will be launched on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November at Benenden Primary School) and we would love as many people as possible to come along. Revds Steve Coneys and Hugh Nelson will introduce the vision and values of the Greenhouse and will explain how it will work and there will be plenty of time for questions and discussion.

The Weald Greenhouse is for anyone who wants to explore how they could share faith with people for whom Sunday morning church is unlikely to appeal. It's not for spiritual heroes, missionary experts or Billy Graham style evangelists - it's for ordinary Christians who want to try something new for God. Please spread the word and come along to find out more. More Information at <https://www.gkchurch.org.uk/greenhouse>

**Sandhurst Mental Wellbeing Fair**  
**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 9.30am to 11.30am**  
**at The Old School, Back Road, TN18 5JS**

- \* Come and learn how the Ways to Wellbeing can help you feel mentally fit.
- \* Be Active - Find out about Village Walks.
- \* Keep Learning - Find out about the benefits of art.
- \* Learn about Mind, the national charity devoted to mental health. Information leaflets will be available.
- \* Learn about Wellbeing in the Weald, a highly successful group based in Cranbrook.
- \* Look after yourself - Eat well. Dietician Elaine Greenman will guide you.
- \* Pamper yourself with an Indian Head Massage. Helen Evans will give a massage for a nominal fee.
- \* Experience the joy of Reflexology. Practitioners Julie Edmonds and Jerval Ingleton will give free 20 minute taster sessions.
- \* A counsellor will outline her counselling and therapy services.
- \* Enjoy music. The Tenterden Rock Choir will sing at 10.30am and show how music can make us feel good.

Coffee, tea, cakes and biscuits will be available to buy whilst you stroll round the stalls.

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