

St George's Church, Benenden

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

Our Worship: Sunday 15th September Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect: O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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 15th September – Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Readings: James 3.1-12, Mark 8.27-end

8 am HOLY COMMUNION

Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie

10 am SUNG EUCHARIST & BAPTISM of Isaac Grigson

led by Revd David Commander

We welcome Isaac & all family & friends to St George's this morning.

Hymns: 612 Christ triumphant, ever reigning

753 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height

321 Thou art the Christ, O Lord

HC 421 (All for Jesus)

515 Jesus, in your life we see you

THE WEEK AHEAD

Revd David will be on retreat from 17th to 20th September inclusive. Should you require the services of a Priest during this time, please contact your Churchwardens:

David Collard Tel: 241 944, Sue Fisher Tel: 241 907

Monday 16 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	7.30 pm	Sandhurst Home Group at the Rectory (this week only)
Tuesday 17 th		<i>No Morning Prayer today</i>
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
Wednesday 18 th		<i>No Morning Prayer today</i>
	10 – 11.30 am	Coffee Morning at Benenden Memorial Hall
	1 pm	Funeral of t/l Alan Britton
	7.30 – 9 pm	Bellringing Practice at St George's
Thursday 19 th	10 – 11.30 am	Community Choir at St George's
Friday 20 th		<i>No Morning Prayer today</i>
	9 – 11 am	Cakes & Chaos at St George's
	9.30 am – 12 noon	Churchyard Working Party at St George's
Saturday 21 st	11 am	Centenary Commemoration of the Rothermere Donation
	4 pm	Bellringing at St George's – Quarter Peal attempt

Sunday Next: 22nd September – Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Readings: James 3.13-4.3,7-8a, Mark 9.30-37

8 am HOLY COMMUNION

led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

10 am MORNING WORSHIP

led by Revd David Commander

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James 3.1-12

³Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Mark 8.27-end

²⁷ Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' ²⁸And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' ²⁹He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' ³⁰And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

³¹ Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

³⁴ He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

Prayers:

The funeral of **t/I Alan Britton** takes place at 1pm on Wednesday 18th September.

The funeral of **t/I Phyllis Marshall** is at 1pm on Monday 23rd September.

Both services are at St George's. We pray for both families at this sad time.

Churchyard Working Parties at St George's

Friday 20th September from 9.30am – 12 noon

Please note: there will not be a Working Party on Saturday 5th October but there will be one instead on **Saturday 19th October** from 9.30am - 12noon

Please do join us if you are able. Dick Hill

Home Groups:

Sandhurst Home Group meets on Monday 16th September at The Rectory, Benenden
Benenden Home Group next meets on Tuesday 24th September

Harvest Service at St George's 11am Sunday 29th September



followed by Harvest Lunch – details below

We would be grateful for non-perishable harvest goods.
These will be donated to local charities for those in need.

**The HARVEST LUNCH this year will follow the
11am service on Sunday 29th September
(PLEASE NOTE THE SERVICE TIME CHANGE)**

We will offer a simple (but delicious) ploughman's lunch with a glass of wine or a soft drink. There is no charge but we invite a donation on the day with all proceeds being sent to Water Aid, a charity we have supported for many years.

Places are limited so please sign up on the form at the back of church.
Helen

Walking the Camino Ingles in memory of Louise Nicholson: Starting on 15th October, Lyn Hayes together with Jackie Nudd and five others, will be walking the English Camino in memory of Louise Nicholson whilst raising much needed funds and awareness for DAVSS (Domestic Abuse Volunteer Support Services) a fantastic local charity that helps and supports victims and their families affected by domestic abuse and coercive control.

Louise died nearly six years ago leaving two children. Her mother Jackie has been fighting for justice for her daughter and her grandchildren. We need to keep educating each other and raising awareness about domestic abuse and its effects on those who suffer as a consequence of a crime that largely goes under the radar.

We will be tackling the 118km route over 6 days, starting in Ferrol in Galicia, Northern Spain and ending at the Cathedral of St James in Santiago.

Please give as much or as little as you can for such a worthy cause.

Donating through JustGiving is simple, fast and totally secure. Your details are safe with JustGiving – they will never sell them on or send unwanted emails. Once you donate, your money is sent directly to the charity. So, it is the most efficient way to donate, saving time and cutting costs for the charity.

Lyn's page is: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/linda-hayes-1721826875680>

(Please note that Lyn's JustGiving page us under the name of Linda Hayes - Linda's fundraiser for DAVSS)

'CONNECT FOUR'

Our informal family service

4pm - Saturday 28th September

at Sandhurst Mission Church,


Back Road TN18 5JU



Refreshments throughout.

Come along and connect with:

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

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