

St George's Church, Benenden

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

Our Worship: Sunday 18th August Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Collect: Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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 August - Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Readings: Ephesians 5.15-20, John 6.51-58

8 am	1662 BCP HOLY COMMUNION led by Revd Stephen Hardy
10 am	SUNG EUCHARIST led by Revd David Commander
	<i>Hymns:</i> 7 <i>This is the day the Lord hath made</i> 704 <i>Let all the world in every corner sing</i> 445 <i>God is here! As we his people</i> (HC 669) <i>I heard the voice of Jesus say</i> 666 <i>I cannot tell why he, whom angels worship</i>
12.30 pm	Baptism of Jasper-Joel Malins at St George's
2 – 4 pm	Summer Teas at St George's

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 19 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
Tuesday 20 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd David Commander
	7.30 pm	Home Group at David & Julia Collard's
Wednesday 21 st	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	10 – 11.30 am	Coffee Morning at Benenden Memorial Hall
	7.30 – 9 pm	Bellringing Practice at St George's
Friday 23 rd	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
Saturday 24 th	11.30 am	Marriage Blessing - Robert & Junko Reid - at St George's

Sunday Next: 25th August - Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Readings: Ephesians 6.10-20, John 6.56-69

8 am	HOLY COMMUNION led by Revd David Commander
10 am	MORNING WORSHIP led by David Harmsworth
2 – 4 pm	Summer Teas at St George's

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Ephesians 5.15-20

¹⁵ Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

John 6.51-58

⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

⁵² The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' ⁵³ So Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵ for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.'

**Please note: During August, Wednesday Morning Prayer is at St George's
Tuesday's Morning Prayer continues at the Mission Church**

**Benenden Home Group will meet on Tuesday 20th and Tuesday 27th August.
We will then not meet again until Tuesday 17th September. David Collard**

Newcomers' Lunch: The date of the next Newcomers' Lunch is Saturday, 12th October at 12 noon in St George's Church. We are asking for names of newcomers to the village to please be passed to Sally Ann Marks so that we can formally invite them to come. Please email Sally on sallymarks100@hotmail.com if you are new to Benenden or if you know of anyone who may have moved in to the village within the last couple of years.

We will be inviting representatives of various village organisations to attend to give details of their activities. If you are able to help with the Lunch, again please email Sally Ann.

Summer Teas at St George's
Every Sunday in August from 2 to 4pm.
All welcome!

Walking the Camino Ingles in memory of Louise Nicholson: Starting on October 1st, 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>

Mission Prayer

God of Mission

Who alone brings growth to your Church,

Send your Holy Spirit to give

Vision to our planning,

Wisdom to our actions,

Joy to our worship,

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 Christ our Lord.

Amen

Grief Talks ~Time to share & reflect
Saturday 7th September, 10am – 12.30pm
@ the Mission Church, Back Road, Sandhurst
TN18 5JU



Coming to terms with the loss of a loved one can be one of the hardest things we have to do. When someone has died, while we may feel our loved one is at peace, it can still leave us with hugely mixed emotions.

We are offering a morning to explore our grief through conversation, readings and crafting together. It will be a safe space to come to talk and share what has been going on for you. Talking to others who have been through similar experiences can be helpful, or just knowing that someone is there to listen.

For more information and to book this free workshop please contact Claire Roberts on 01580 754374 or email claireecr57@yahoo.com

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