

St George's Church, Benenden

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

Our Worship: Sunday 24th August Tenth Sunday after Trinity (Bartholomew the Apostle)

Collect: Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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 24th August – Tenth Sunday after Trinity (Bartholomew the Apostle)

Readings: Hebrews 12.18-end, Luke 13.10-17 (Additional Reading for Bartholomew: Luke 22.24-27)

8 am	HOLY COMMUNION led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie
10 am	MORNING WORSHIP led by David Harmsworth <i>Hymns:</i> 615 Come, living God, when least expected 675 Immortal Love for ever full 698 King of glory, King of peace 643 God beyond earth's finest treasures
2 – 4 pm	SUMMER TEAS AT ST GEORGE'S

THE WEEK AHEAD

Revd David is annual leave on Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th August.

**Should you require the services of a Priest during this time please contact your Churchwardens:
Cathy Presgrave Tel 07500 119 189. Sue Fisher Tel 241 907**

Monday 25 th	<i>Bank Holiday</i>
Tuesday 26 th	<i>No Morning Prayer today</i>
	10 am Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie
	7.30 pm Benenden Home Group at David & Julia Collard's
Wednesday 27 th	<i>No Morning Prayer today</i>
	7.30 pm Bellringing Practice at St Nicholas
Thursday 28 th	7 pm Choir Practice at St George's
Friday 29 th	8 am Morning Prayer at St George's
	11 am Interment of t/l Lorna Elliott at St George's

Sunday Next: 31st August – Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Readings: Hebrews 13.1-8 & 15-16, Luke 14.1 & 7-14

8 am	BENEFICE SERVICE BCP HOLY COMMUNION AT ST NICHOLAS led by Revd David Commander
10 am	BENEFICE SERVICE ALL AGE HOLY COMMUNION AT ST GEORGE'S led by Revd David Commander
2 – 4 pm	SUMMER TEAS AT ST GEORGE'S

Readings: Sunday 24th August – Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Hebrews 12.18-end

¹⁸ You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵ See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' ²⁷This phrase 'Yet once more' indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Luke 13.10-17

¹⁰ Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' ¹³When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' ¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' ¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Additional Reading for Bartholomew: Luke 22.24-27

²⁴ A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. ²⁵But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. ²⁶But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. ²⁷For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. **(Requested by Revd Rosemary for this Sunday's Reflection)**

Home Groups:

Sandhurst Home Group: Resumes on Monday 1st September, at the Mission Church.

Benenden Home Group: Meets on Tuesday 26th August at 7.30 pm at David & Julia Collard's. Thereafter there will be no Tuesday meeting until at least 23rd September.

NB: Next Sunday - 31st August - is a 5th Sunday of the month.

We therefore have Benefice Services:

8 am BCP Holy Communion at St Nicholas.

10 am All Age Holy Communion at St George's

'ART IN A TOPIARY GARDEN'

Open Garden & Studio

***23rd, 24th & 25th August • 12 noon to 5pm
at Balmoral Cottage, Benenden TN17 4DL***

No tickets required. Charity donation welcome at the gate.

Parking in the field. Refreshments available.

'Summer Teas at St George's'



2 – 4 pm

Every Sunday, Throughout August

**Date for your Diary "Ride 'n' Stride" is on
Saturday 13th September**

We need a new coordinator for St George's Church!

Someone who can organise the advertising and posters and ensure that refreshments and the provided 'sign-in' paperwork are available in the church on the day.

Could this be you? If so, please speak to Revd David.



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