

St George's Church, Benenden

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

Our Worship: Sunday 16th November Second Sunday before Advent

Collect: Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Sunday 16th November – Second Sunday before Advent

Readings: 2 Thess. 3.6-13, Luke 21.5-19

8 am

HOLY COMMUNION

led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

10 am

SUNG EUCHARIST

led by Sarah Emanuel. Revd David Commander preaching & presiding

Hymns: 584 *All my hope on God is founded*
 422 *Alleluia, sing to Jesus!*
 641 *Glorious things of thee are spoken*
 (HC)441 *Draw nigh and take the body of the Lord*
 643 *God beyond earth's finest treasures*

The Week Ahead:

Monday 17 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	7.30 pm	Sandhurst Home Group at the Rectory
Tuesday 18 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church
		led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
	7.30 pm	Benenden Home Group at David & Julia Collard's
Wednesday 19 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	7.30 pm	Bellringing Practice at St George's
	7 for 7.30 pm	Weald Filling Station. at Benenden Primary School
Thursday 20 th	10 – 11.30 am	Community Choir at St George's
	2 – 4 pm	Restore Renew Rejoice Pre-start meeting at St George's
	7 pm	Choir Practice at St George's
Friday 21 st	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	9 – 11 am	Cakes & Chaos Toddler Group at St George's
	7.30 – 9 pm	Bellringing at St George's – Quarter Peal attempt
Saturday 22 nd	10 am to 12 noon	CHRISTMAS MINI MARKET at Sandhurst Mission Church
	2 pm	t/I David Barnes Thanksgiving Service at St George's
	4 pm	'CONNECT FOUR'
		Family Service at Sandhurst Mission Church
	4 – 6.30 pm	Concert set up and rehearsal at St George's
	7 for 7.30 pm	'WINTER MAGIC' The Rhythm of Life Choir
		Concert at St George's

Sunday Next: 23rd November – Christ the King

Readings: Colossians 1.11-20, Luke 23.33-43

8 am

HOLY COMMUNION led by Revd David Commander

10 am

MORNING WORSHIP led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

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2 Thess. 3.6-13

⁶ Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹²Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Luke 21.5-19

⁵ When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ⁶'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.'

⁷ They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' ⁸And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them.

⁹ 'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' ¹⁰Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

¹² 'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; ¹⁵for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your souls.

Prayers: t/I David Barnes: David's Thanksgiving Service is at St George's Church at 2pm on Saturday 22nd November. Revd David

Weald Filling Station – Wednesday 19th November 7 (for pizza) for 7.30pm. This month's speaker is Jake Parker, regional representative for Youth for Christ. Jake is highly recommended if you have a heart for young people – or, if you don't, you may well have by the end of the evening! Particularly good if you are a youth leader or know some, or would like to plant something for young people in your church. Jake spoke to us last time on how Hannah persistently encouraged Samuel to fulfil the plan God had for him – and we prayed particularly for our teachers and youth leaders.

'CONNECT FOUR'

Our informal family service
4pm - Saturday 22nd November
at Sandhurst Mission Church,
Back Road TN18 5JU



Come along and connect with:

- family and friends - tea, coffee, cake - the Bible - worship - and God!
Refreshments throughout.

Home Groups:

Sandhurst Home Group: Meets on Monday 17th November *at the Rectory*.

Benenden Home Group: Meets on Tuesday 18th November at David & Julia Collard's.

Christmas Mini Market at The Mission Church



Saturday 22nd November from 10 am to 12 noon

Gifts for all ages, local crafts & festive products, bric a brac, tombola.

Tea, coffee & cake. All welcome!

Remembrance Sunday Collection: The collection at the Remembrance Sunday service at St George's raised an amazing £559.27 for the Royal British Legion. (This excludes any donations made via the SumUp machine or using the QR code. These are to be totalled and added to the cash donations.) Many thanks. Revd David.

Advent Carol Service at St George's - Sunday 30th November at 5pm

A vertical poster for a concert. The background is dark blue with a pattern of gold leaves and small white stars. Large gold musical notes are scattered around the text. The text is centered and reads: 'THE RHYTHM OF LIFE CHOIR BENENDEN INVITES YOU TO... WINTER MAGIC A WARM AND UPLIFTING CONCERT TO HELP RAISE MONEY FOR THE RESTORE,RENEW,REJOICE PROJECT IN BENENDEN CHURCH NOVEMBER 22 7PM St George's Church, Benenden Price £10 Includes Festive Drink, Mince Pie and Raffle! Tickets available from Benenden's Community Shop or on the door.'

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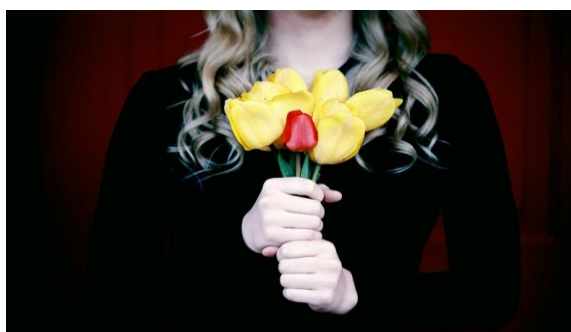
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Valuables and Theft: Please do not leave valuables unattended in church *at any time*.

Grief Talks ~ Time to share & reflect



Friday 12th December, 10 am – 12 noon

at 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



LEARN HOW TO MAKE A CHRISTMAS WREATH

**Join us in Sandhurst Mission Church
on Saturday 6th December
from 10am to 12 noon.**

Coffee and biscuits/cake will be provided.

**You will need to bring your own greenery and decorations.
Wire will be supplied.**

**Wreath frames can be bought online or order one from
Katherine O'Neil Tel 01580 850 159 before 22nd November.**

**There will be a charge of £5 which will go towards the
St Nicholas Church organ fund.**

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