



Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton
In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry
8th August 2021
The Tenth Sunday after Trinity
“Why I am a Christian”



9.30am All-age Worship and 10.45am Service of Holy Communion

Please note that all our services are live streamed. If you sit in the pews from the third pew back you should not be visible but by attending onsite you are presumed to have consented to the terms of our location warning notice. Please see the notices in church or on the front page of the website which explains more.

The organ voluntary this week is the Promenade from 'Pictures at an Exhibition' by Mussorgsky.
The reading for our services this week is Romans 12. 1-8.

Collect

Lord of heaven and earth,
as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer,
give us patience and courage never to lose hope,
but always to bring our prayers before you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Give thanks for answered prayer: and please pray for:

For Janet Harries, Sarah Rowe, Julia Bowden and Joan Higgs Smith. For Chloe Wilson and Michael Nixon who are to be married in church next Saturday afternoon.
A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Paul Atkins will take place in church on **Monday 16 August at 2pm** and everyone is warmly invited to attend. There will also be a short Service of Cremation at Randall's Park at 10.15am the same day, to which anyone is also welcome.
Please continue to pray for Mark, Melissa and the family and friends of Paul.

Why I am Christian - Today we welcome Jason Pennington and please pray for Jessica Johnson, Rev Nicholas Lebey and Dave Hill as they prepare to bring their stories to us too.

Mini-maintenance morning next Sat 14 Aug. Please volunteer to get the last few things that we didn't manage to do the last time and to get the new garden planted up. There is a list of plants for donation for the new garden on the website eco pages – latest news page.

A training session to continue our commitment to being a **Bereavement Friendly Church** will take place on **Wed 18 Aug 10 – 12.30**. Please let Susan Kang or Helen know if you would like to join.

Heritage Open Day: As part of the national Heritage Open Days we will once again be open on **Sat 11 Sept**. All welcome! Volunteers required please – especially for the afternoon.

THiS Team 'Come and Sing' Choral Evensong: at St Matthew's on **Sunday 26 Sept at 5pm** as part of the **St Matthew's Weekend**, All invited to join (you don't have to be a choir member). We will rehearse from 3.00-4.30pm on the day and have a short break before we sing the service, which will last about 45 mins. The music will be straightforward and tuneful! We are very much hoping that the children's choir will join us.

We are hoping to have a **THiS Team Confirmation Service** at St Matthew's in the autumn. Adult and teenager preparation classes will be run – please contact Helen asap if you are interested.

Foodbank - Urgent items please: Pot Noodles and Instant Mash, washing up liquid and washing machine tablets plus shampoo and men and women's deodorant. Thank you.



This week's eco-tip :

Put a reusable shopping bag or "bag for life" in the inner pocket of every handbag/ rucksack/coat/jacket that you use, so that you're never caught out without one..

9.30am

Lord, for the years
Your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us,
cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us,
pardoned and provided:
Lord of the years,
we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word,
the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts
and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains,
rebukes us and inspires us:
Lord of the word,
receive Your people's praise.

Lord, for our world where
you're disowned and doubted,
loveless in strength,
and comfortless in pain,
hungry and helpless,
lost indeed without You:
Lord of the world,
we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord, for ourselves;
in living power remake us –
self on the cross
and Christ upon the throne,
past put behind us,
for the future take us:
Lord of our lives,
to live for Christ alone.

10.45am

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n to earth come down:
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown:
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Come, Almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be:
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee;
changed from glory into glory,
'til in heav'n we take our place,
'til we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

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Messages left for the Parish Office should be picked up occasionally.

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