

Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry

24th July 2022

Sixth Sunday after Trinity



Sermon series " Looking beyond ourselves"

Today's readings: Ephesians 4:1-6 & 11-13 and John 17:1-8

Our morning services are all online on our <u>YouTube Channel</u> 'St Matthew's Church Surbiton'

9.00am Holy Communion

10.45am Worship Together for all ages and stages

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.

Collect

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Give thanks for answered prayer and please pray for:

Carol Cameron, Doris Lelliott, Janet Harries THiS Team Ministry. Please continue to pray for Simon, Elliott and Matilda and all the family and friends of Sarah Rowe, Kath Levanti and Rachel Rollason whose funeral will be in church on Monday 8 August at 11am.

Diary for the Week – more notices on the church website at <u>www.stmatthewskt6.org</u>			
Tuesday	26th		Eco- Church Team Social – see notice for details
Wednesday	27th		Balance Café CLOSED today and 3 rd August
		10.30am	Bereavement Support Group in Chapel
Thursday		10.00am	SMArties Craft Group- Sitzler Room
		6.30pm	Choir Practice
Sunday	31st		" Why I am a Christian"
		9.00am	Holy Communion
		10.45am	Worship Together for all ages and stages

Sermons over the next six months. Today is the last of our five week sermon series entitled 'Looking beyond ourselves' as we look at institutions we support and Christians acting in the world. Today, ahead of the Lambeth conference we are going to be thinking about the world wide church and hearing from Susan Kang as Southwark Pastoral Auxiliary and Ashleigh Wakefield who has recently taken the Bishop's Certificate.

Please continue to pray for those preparing their 'Why I am a Christian' talk for late July and August – Sheena, Lila, Mike, William and Ashleigh.

Our **Balance Café will be closed for summer holidays on 27 July and 3 August** – but open otherwise. Please come and support it over the summer and beyond - every Wed. 10am -2pm

Plans are being finalised for while <u>Helen is away on Sabbatical</u>. Her last day will be <u>Sunday 14</u> <u>August</u> so if you need to be in touch or want to see her please do get in touch as soon as possible. She will be back on 1 December in time for Christmas as usual! She will be away for a lot of that time and Simon will be joining her for quite a lot of it.



Thanks to those who provided bird feeders. Also, look out for details of this amazing exhibition coming to Southwark Cathedral in October.

<u>https://southwark.anglican.org/news-events/news/latest-news/see-the-earth-as-if-from-space-gaia-comes-to-southwark-cathedral/</u>

Our Eco-Church Team is looking to recruit new volunteers. If you might be interested in rolling up your sleeves and getting involved in this important part of the church's mission come along on Tues 26 July for our social - please speak with Joan Scriven to find out more.

<u>Summer THiS Team Walk</u> is scheduled for Saturday 6th August and is planned to be our family friendly walk and picnic. Full details to follow.

Holy Land pilgrimage. Revds William Allberry and Michael Johns-Perring will be leading a 10-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 7-16 March, 2023 Brochures are available in church, or further information from William on 07818 641576.

The King's Storeroom, Christian Bookshop, Richard Mayo Centre, Eden St, Kingston upon Thames KT1 1HZ - Graham Lapthorne says 'The King's Storeroom now sells gift cards starting at £10 and going up in multiples of five. Ideal for presentations or to show appreciation to that special person.'

Surbiton Hill Methodist Church are advertising for a Children and Families Worker, 20 hours a week, 40 weeks a year (very largely term time) £12,500 - £14,500, to help build on their established work with children and families. Further details: <u>shmc.office@kingstoncircuit.org.uk</u>. Applications deadline – Mon. 19th September. See also advert at back of church.

<u>African Vision Malawi</u> (Heather & Nigel) - We are looking for people to take up a challenge: AVM have some places available on **our 500km cycle challenge in Malawi (18^h –29 Sept**). An incredible way to experience the beautiful parts of Malawi and end up seeing our programmes and who your money helps. £1,750, includes everything in Malawi, except medication, insurance, visa and flights. There are 6 cycle days and 2 off days, one on safari and the other by Lake Malawi.

We also have 5 running places for the **London virtual marathon on October 2nd**. You choose your route and have 24 hours to complete it! Contact Heather on 07798 695287 or email <u>heather.palmer@blueyonder.co.uk</u> if you want to know more information.

<u>Foodbank -</u> Urgent items required ..Instant Mash ..tinned potatoes ..Longlife Milk ..Oils and sauces ..squash and Longlife juice..Pot noodles ..shampoo and conditioner. Money donations at: <u>https://kingston.foodbank.org.uk/</u> Thank you.

Website: <u>www.stmatthewskt6.org</u> email address: <u>admin@stmatthewskt6.org</u> Parish Office 020 8390 5121 (but Julie is working in part from home). You can contact Rev Helen Hancock on 020 8390 3829 or <u>teamrector@stmatthewskt6.org</u>