All Saints' Church

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Sunday 7th September

9.45am Morning Worship led by Heather Tisbury

Readings

Deuteronomy 30 vv 15-20
Luke 14 vv 25-33

Hymns

479 The King of love my shepherd is
248 I heard the voice of Jesus say
113 O worship the King
563 O Jesus I have promised

Morning Prayer at 9am and **Eucharist** at 9.30am continue on Tuesday morning. Evening Prayer is on Fridays at 4pm. All welcome.

"Coffee, Chat and Play" will resume this **Tuesday 9th September** from 10 - 11.15am. Everyone welcome to enjoy some time together in the Lower Hall. Refreshments provided.

Organ recital: the last in our series of organ recitals is **this Sunday afternoon (7th September)** at 2.30pm and will be given by Tom Winpenny. Everyone welcome - free entry and refreshments in the interval. **If you are able to help with serving the tea please speak to Marilyn Pain.**

Pastoral Co-ordinators meeting: a reminder that there will be a pastoral co-ordinators meeting at 2.30pm on **Monday 8th September i**n the Lower Hall.

Bike n Hike: this year's Bike 'n Hike to raise funds for the Herts and Beds Historic Churches Trust and churches is on **Saturday 13th September**. You can get sponsored to visit beautiful churches on foot, by bike or other means or simply for being in church for a short time on that day to welcome visitors. Money raised will be split between the Trust and All Saints'. There are sponsorship forms in church - please help if you can. John and Heather Wignall will be cycling to raise money and aim to cycle to over 20 churches between them. All Saints' received a grant of £5,000 from the Trust towards the work on the roof in 2024. For more information about the charity's biggest fundraiser visit: https://bedshertshct.org.uk/bike-n-hike/
If you would like to sponsor them they would love to hear from you or you can visit https://www.justgiving.com/page/john-wignall-25

Zoom Compline: the next Compline service is on **Thursday 11th September** at 8.45pm and the Zoom link is below:

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76935828641?pwd=c6wvOavTVWAYNOM25FwYVBH02CxDpf.1

Newsletter: the deadline for the next newsletter is **Friday 12th September.** Chris Billington will be grateful for both articles and photographs so please let her have your contributions as soon as possible. Thank you.

A reminder that the government's emergency alert system will be tested on the afternoon of **Sunday 7th September** - details in this link: https://www.gov.uk/government/news/national-emergency-alert-test-to-be-held-on-7th-september Alerts will be sent to mobile phones and will sound even if the phone is on silent. If anyone has a second mobile phone that they don't want those they live with to know about, they will need to turn it off before 3pm.

Church garden news Still to pick :- wild plums from the millennium garden, suitable for making jam or jelly but sharp to eat. There are also sweet mini plums in the fruit border and tomatoes in the herb bed which also has garden mint, lemon balm, sage, and chives. There are fallen apples and blackberries scattered about and later there will be apples to pick from overhanging branches. Please help yourselves.

Date for your diary: everyone is welcome to tea at the church on **Sunday 21st September** from 3-4.30pm. It will be a chance to get to know each other and Revd Caroline Wickens better, combined with a visit from Zethu of Phakamisa, the charity that we support in South Africa that supports orphans and others in a variety of ways.

Piano recital: on **Saturday 27th September** at 3pm there will be a recital in St Martha's Tring, given by Jill Crossland. She has given many recitals on the South Bank and at the Wigmore Hall in London and has featured in the Classic FM Hall of Fame and on radio and TV, including live and recorded broadcasts on BBC Radios 3 and 4. She will be playing works by Bach, Schubert and Beethoven. Tickets £15 including refreshments. Tel: 01442 822305 E-mail: berdinner@gmail.com or on the door

Prayer Requests:

For: Jonathan and Ann Hayes; Helen and Sarah; Marion and Julian; Audrey and Paul Cox; Mark, Nicola and family; Terry; Heather Gifford; Liz and Paul;

We pray for our neighbours throughout the world whose lives have been changed by the events in Israel, Palestine and Lebanon, and pray especially for all those who have lost loved ones and homes due to the conflict. We pray too for all aid workers who have died or been injured while trying to bring supplies to those in need and for their families.

We pray too for those who are caught up in war in other parts of the world, including Sudan and Ukraine and for those facing the threat of starvation in the ongoing hostilities;

We pray for the people of Myanmar following the devastating earthquake at the end of March;

We also pray for:
All who are refugees, especially those who are not receiving help to rebuild their lives in safety;

We pray that the issue of climate change may not be forgotten and all the nations may act to secure the safety of our world. We pray too for all whose lives have been badly affected by climate changes in the areas where they live.

We pray that all MPs may serve their constituents and country with integrity and care for all they represent.

We continue to pray for the children and their families of our church and town and all who work in the NHS; Social Services and the charities who are supporting the sick or frail;

We pray for those who are helped by Embrace the Middle East, Karibuni Children; the Leprosy Mission; Phakamisa, DENS; the Way Inn with Open Door; the Swan Youth Project and for all those who work in these organisations.

We continue to pray for those whose need is ongoing:

Julia Wright; Corinne & William; Gary Andersen; Charlie; Graham Rule; Clare Hancock; John Malcolm; Valerie Ruddock; Jenny Wells; Barbara Conway; Marnie Taylor; Leslie; Penny Perry; Ida Rance; Lesley Whittaker; Chris Billington;