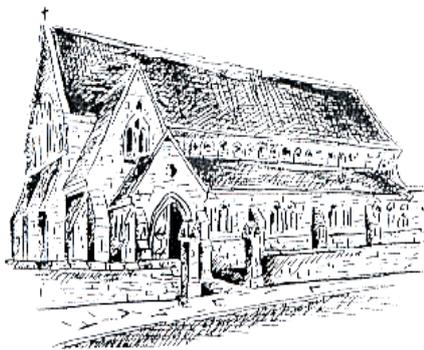


Christ Church, Gosport

All-Age Communion for St Luke

Sunday 16th October 2016

Welcome to Christ Church!



www.christchurchgosport.co.uk

Main Service on Sunday: **9.30am Parish Communion**

.....Except on every third Sunday (LIKE TODAY!):

10.00am All-Age Communion

Quiet Communions: 8.00am on Sundays; and 10.00am on Wednesdays
(Healing prayer is offered at services on 1st Sundays and 1st Wednesdays)

*Information about services and events coming up,
can be found at the back of this booklet!*

Vicar

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Please feel free to contact Andy for any information about this church, or if you would like to talk about any personal concern. Please note that he is not around for one day a week – usually Monday. Andy is also Vicar of Holy Trinity, Trinity Green, Haslar Road - a church in the Anglo-Catholic [smells and bells!] tradition, with worship conducted in a circle around a central altar: www.holytrinitygosport.co.uk

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Welcome

Celebrations

Shaker Song Sung 3 times

Jubilate, everybody,
serve the Lord in all your ways,
and come before his presence singing;
enter now his courts with praise.
For the Lord our God is gracious,
and his mercy everlasting.
Jubilate, jubilate, jubilate Deo!

Gospel Reading (taken from The Message)

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory be to you, O Lord

Later the Master selected seventy and sent them ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he intended to go. He gave them this charge; “What a huge harvest! And

how few the harvest hands. So on your knees, and ask the God of the Harvest to send harvest hands.”

“On your way! Be careful – this is hazardous work. You are like lambs in a wolf pack. Travel light. Comb and toothbrush and no extra luggage. Don’t loiter and make small talk with everyone you meet along the way.”

“When you enter a home, greet the family, ‘Peace’ if your greeting is received, then it is a good place to stay. But if it is not received, take it back and get out. Don’t impose yourself”

“Stay at one home, taking your meals there, for a worker deserves three square meals. Don’t move from house to house, looking for the best cook in town”

“When you enter a town and are received, eat what they set before you, heal anyone who is sick and tell them, ‘God’s kingdom is right on your doorstep.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

Talk

Let us declare our faith in the resurrection
of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Christ died for our sins in accordance with the
Scriptures; he was buried; he was raised to life**

**on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers,
and to all the apostles:
this we have received, and this we believe. Amen**

Simple Prayers

Song (during which the collection is taken
and the Altar prepared)

For the healing of the nations,
Lord we pray with one accord
for a just and equal sharing
of the things that earth affords.
To a life of love in action
help us rise and pledge our word

Lead us Father, into freedom
from despair your world release;
that, redeemed from war and hatred,
all may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness
fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living
let it from the earth be banned;
pride of status, race or schooling
dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice

may we hallow life's brief span.
You creator-God, have written
your great name on humankind;
for our growing in your likeness
bring the life of Christ to mind;
That by our response and service
earth its destiny may find.

The bread and wine being presented today has been sponsored
In loving memory of Lois Kennett (d. 20th September)

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise

Question

All Why is it right to give thanks and praise?

Answer Listen, and we will hear.

Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish. You give us friends and families busy streets for young and old, the life of an earthly city fulfilled in your city to come. You give us your love, even when things go wrong. Jesus knew hurt

and pain. Through him you wipe away our tears, and fill us with your peace. You give us happy times and things to celebrate. In these we taste your kingdom, a feast for all your children. You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing your praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live. Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

Question

All Why do we share this bread and wine?

Answer Listen, and we will hear.

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.' After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life. As you feed us with these

gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Question: How do we follow Jesus Christ?

Answer Listen, and we will hear.

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms. And now with all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever. **Amen.**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, his blood which he shed for you, and his Blessing which is his holy gift. Eat, drink and rejoice in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

(We share Communion)

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Anointing and Laying on of Hands for Healing

You will be invited - and only if you would LIKE to - to come forward for anointing and blessing for God's healing love.

Prayer after Communion

Lord we have broken your bread and received your life. By the power of your Spirit keep us always in you love. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Notices

Song

Jesus put this song into our hearts
Jesus put this song into our hearts
It's a song of joy no one can take away
Jesus put this song into our hearts.

Jesus taught us how to live in harmony
Jesus taught us how to live in harmony
Diff'rent faces, diff'rent races, he made us one.
Jesus taught us how to live in harmony.

Jesus turned our sorrow into dancing
Jesus turned our sorrow into dancing
Changed our tears of sadness into rivers of joy
Jesus turned our sorrow into a dance.

Blessing

May God keep you all your days.
May Christ shield you in all your ways.
May the Spirit bring you healing and peace.
May God the Holy Trinity drive all darkness from you
and pour upon you blessing and light.

The Peace

To crown all things there must be love, to bind together
and complete the whole.

Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.
The peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you.

The Next All-Age Communion is: **Sunday 20th November at 10.00am**

*If you would like something to go into the notices, please speak to...or email.....or telephone The Vicar, Andy **by 12noon on Thursday**. Contact details are on the front cover!*

TODAY:

Holy Trinity 6.00pm Vespers and Benediction

Monday October 17: Fr Andy's Day Off

Holy Trinity, 1.00pm to 1.30pm Organ Recital:

Geoffrey Holroyde and Students

6.00pm Choir Practice

Tuesday October 18: Holy Trinity, 9.30am Holy Communion

Wednesday October 19: 10.00am Holy Communion

Holy Trinity, 6.30pm Holy Communion

Thursday October 20: 7.30pm Worship Committee

Friday October 21: Holy Trinity, 5.00pm Holy Communion

NEXT SUNDAY: October 23rd [Last Sunday after Trinity]

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Parish Communion

Holy Trinity, 11.00am Parish Mass

Holy Trinity 6.00pm Vespers and Benediction

Calendar for the next two months:

Tuesday October 25:

Christ Church Centre, 11.30 to 2.30 "Last Tuesday Lunch Club"

2.00pm Funeral of Graham Slaymaker

Friday October 28: (In church) 10.30am to 1.00pm Coffee Morning for Alzheimer's Charities **[SEE NOTICES]**

Sunday October 30: CLOCKS BACK!! All Saints Sunday

Wednesday November 2: Healing Prayer offered at 10.00am Service

Sunday November 6: Healing Prayer offered at 8.00am and 9.30am Services

All Souls: 11.00am at HT/ 6.00pm at CC [SEE NOTICES]

Holy Trinity, 3.30pm, Tea-Time Concert

Tuesday November 8: 7.30pm P.C.C.

Thursday November 10: 7.00pm, Ladies' Group

Saturday November 12: 10.00am Church Cleaning

12noon to 2.00pm, Soup and Dessert in the Parish Centre (Kathy Smith)

£6 a ticket. Proceeds to Christ Church Floor Fund and a Cancer Fund

[SEE NOTICES]

Sunday November 13:

Remembrance Sunday Act of Remembrance after coffee, around 11am

[SEE NOTICES]

Sunday November 20: 10.00am All-Age GIVING Communion Service

[SEE NOTICES]

Monday November 21: Holy Trinity, 1.00pm to 1.30pm Organ Recital

Saturday November 26: 10.00am to 1.00pm Holy Trinity Christmas Fair

Sunday November 27: Alverstoke - 6.00pm Deanery Advent Carols Service

[SEE "GOSPORT DEANERY" NOTICE]

Tuesday November 29:

Christ Church Centre, 11.30 to 2.30 "Last Tuesday Lunch Club"

Saturday December 3: 10.30am to 2.00pm Christmas Fair **[SEE NOTICES]**

Sunday December 4: Healing Prayer offered at 8.00am and 9.30am Services

Holy Trinity, 3.30pm, Tea-Time Concert

Monday December 5: 6.30pm Christingle-Making

Tuesday December 6: 6.00pm Christingle Service **[SEE NOTICES]**

Wednesday December 7: Healing Prayer offered at 10.00am Service

Thursday December 8: 7.00pm, Ladies' Group

Friday December 9 to Sunday December 11: "Angel and Crib Fest"

[SEE NOTICES]

Saturday December 10: 10.00am Church Cleaning

11.00am to 12noon, Churches together in Gosport: Carols in the High Street

[SEE NOTICES]

1.30pm Wedding (Kelly and Ward)

Sunday December 11: 6.00pm Angel and Crib Fest – Advent Carols

Thursday December 15:

Holy Trinity, 7.00pm Ruby Funerals: Service for the Bereaved

Friday December 16: 1.30pm Newtown School Christmas Service

A fuller calendar can be found online at
<http://www.christchurchgosport.co.uk/calendar/>

Gifts for Christmas Presents Like last year, we will be looking for cash donations so that we can buy some special presents for needy families – under the guidance of local Social Services..... **There are envelopes available - please see Kathy Court or Thelm O’Toole**

CHRISTMAS FAIR!

Saturday December 3rd, 10.30am to 2.00pm. Setting up: 7.00pm the night before, and on the morning of the Fair.

Please volunteer help to the Vicar – but he will ask you anyway!

WE WILL NEED:

Posters taken and displayed

Raffle tickets to be sold by you!

Raffle prizes.....**PLEASE BRING RAFFLE PRIZES BEFORE THE DAY, SO THEY CAN BE NUMBERED IN ADVANCE!**

WE ALSO NEED: Home-made produce [Cakes, biscuits, jams, chutneys, sweets, etc], bottles, tombola gifts, toys, craft items, new or nearly new bric-a-brac, jewellery, books, accessories, etc

Coffee Morning for Alzheimer’s Charities: Friday October 28 (In church) 10.30am to 1.00pm. More details from Pat Hewitt 023 92 524558 p.hewitt_48@btinternet.com

Commemoration of “All Souls”: Around **All Souls Day**, each year, we have special services to remember the departed, including our own departed loved ones. **On Sunday November 6th**, we will celebrate **All Souls** at a 6.00pm Service (N.B. No Communion). There will be a chance to light a candle in church for our loved ones. **If you would like (a) departed loved one(s) prayed for by name at the Service, please tick their name on the alphabetical list at the back of church [which includes recent funeral names] – or add any other names.** *Please note, All Souls will be commemorated at Holy Trinity at the 11.00am Parish Mass on the same day.*

Soup and Dessert in the Parish Centre: Saturday November 12th 12noon to 2.00pm, £6 a ticket. Proceeds to Christ Church Floor Fund and a Cancer Fund

Remembrance Sunday (Nov 13th) On this day, the 9.30am will have a Remembrance theme, and there will be simple “Act of Remembrance” after coffee, around 11.00am.

Christingle: Our Christingle Service is on **Tuesday December 6 at 6.00pm**. If you would like to make a Christingle donation to the Children’s Society, envelopes and boxes will be available for you!

Two requests:

- 1) Can you help with Christingle making (if only for half an hour?) from 6.30pm in church, the Monday evening before the Service?**
- 2) Could you be one of a team of 10-15 who would have a taper at the service, and help light the children’s’ Christingles?**

Crib and Angel Fest to be held from Friday 9th to Sunday 11th December. This will include an "Advent Carol Service" on Sunday 11th December at 6.30pm. If you have a crib set or angels that you would be willing to lend us we would be very grateful. We hope to run it on the lines of the flower festival so there will be a list at the back of church for you to volunteer help. **More details from The Reverend Elizabeth Groves: rev.elizabeth@btinternet.com 07732957667**

Carols in the High Street – "Churches Together in Gosport" (CTiG) On Saturday 10th December, from 11.00am to 12noon, there will be Carols – in Nat Gonella Square, outside the main entrance to the Town Hall in the High Street, with readings and reflections from "Churches Together".....do come along and join with other local Christians!

Mike Ford's Tapestry: Do have a look in the right-hand side of the Lady Chapel, where there is a tapestry of the Last Supper, made – with great care and dedication, and during illness - by the late Mike Ford.

Proposed "Walking Group" for Christ Church: to start next year. This would be a social thing: some laughs and company for anyone who would like to do a walk of not more than five miles. To begin with, it would probably every two months. You could bring a packed lunch, or a dog to walk! Anyone interested, please contact Carol Brownlow on 02392504741.

Thank you for your support of the Historic Churches Trust "Ride + Stride"!
John Jeffs writes: "A big thank you to the generous members of the Christ Church congregation who sponsored a magnificent £90.00 for the Historic Churches Trust, 50% of which will be returned to Christ Church for much needed maintenance work! Thanks also to Riders + Striders Carol and Michelle, who on a wet and windy Saturday 10th September, did a grand tour of various churches in the Meon Valley; while I visited most of the participating churches in Gosport. Not forgetting Rita and Lynn who did a brilliant job welcoming Riders+Striders to Christ Church and providing refreshments. Thank you all!"

"Trash Café" at St Faith's Church, Tribe Road, Leesland:
Unwanted supermarket food is available at St Faith's in Tribe Road on Tuesdays between 4.00pm and 7.00pm. In a joint project with "Junk Food Project South Coast", St Faith's is hosting the project as the "Trash Café". A variety of groceries are available for a donation, and volunteers cook a healthy meal (also available for a donation).

2017 Church Diaries are now available: at the back of church. They are provided free, but if you want to put an extra 50p in the collection if you take one, then feel free!

Gosport Deanery: Our Vicar had to resign as Area Dean in June 2015, and for him the issues (including some very concerning behaviour) that lead to his resignation have not been resolved. He has therefore withdrawn completely from deanery life,

and has discussed this decision with the Archdeacon. Nonetheless, all church members are encouraged to attend deanery services and events and to pray for the life of the deanery. The Deanery of Gosport is one of eight deaneries in our Diocese of Portsmouth. It is made up of the parishes of St Mary's Rowner; St Faith's Lee-on-the-Solent; Christ Church with Holy Trinity; St John's Forton; St Thomas's Elson with St Matthew's Bridgemary; and St Mary's with St Faith's and St Francis's, Alverstoke. A deanery enables local churches to work together more closely. The deanery clergy meet together monthly for a "Chapter" meeting. The "Deanery Synod" meets three times a year (Your PCC will have Deanery Synod Representatives who should report back). During the year there are "Deanery Services".

The next Deanery Service is Sunday November 27:

Alverstoke - 6.00pm Advent Carols Service

Sue Lambert: Andy (Vicar) writes: *"Sue is taking a temporary break from her ordination training, whilst the diocesan and training authorities sort out some issues that need addressing from their side. Please keep Sue in your prayers, as she and I ensure that her return and subsequent training is handled in an appropriate and positive manner."*

Church Up-Keep and Cleaning: If you are willing to do gardening, tidying, cleaning, minor odd jobs, repairs etc, Adrian Groves (Deputy Churchwarden) would be pleased to hear from you: akgroves@btinternet.com or **023 92 586168**. **In particular, please** help keep our church looking clean on the **second** Saturday of the month. We start at 10am. **Even if you can only spare half an hour, every little helps.**

Donations to Food Banks: Thanks to Adrian Groves there is a large plastic box at the back of church for donations of non-perishable foods, also toiletries and cosmetics for local food banks, which are overwhelmed by demand at present.

Used Ink Cartridges: Do put your used printer ink cartridges in the box at the back of church.....they do raise some money for our church!

Support for Sea-farers: Would you be willing to knit some balaclavas, gloves, mitts for sea-farers? See Kath Ford (our organist) for details, and for a pattern.

Our Memorial Book: There is a fee of £10.00 per name, to add a departed loved one to the book....to cover the inscribing and a donation to church funds. **Forms are available in church.**

Sponsoring the bread and wine on a Sunday: If a particular Sunday in the year falls on or near a significant date (perhaps the anniversary of a loved one's death; a birthday, an anniversary, etc) you can fill in the details on the list in church, and please put £5.00 into the collection. Your name(s), and the dedication (s) will appear in the service booklet for that week. **SEE LIST....**