

20 July 2025, Trinity 8



Services today

8am – Holy Communion, (Revd Chris Collinge with Mrs. Jill Bell, LLM) 10am – Holy Communion, (Revd Chris Collinge with Mrs. Jill Bell, LLM) 10am - Young Church in the hall.

Hymns for 10am today:- 349, 442, 242, 46.

Services next week, 27 July

8am – Holy Communion 10am – Holy Communion 10am - Young Church in the hall. 11.30am – Service of Wholeness and Healing

INTERCESSIONS - Our prayers have been asked for Freya, Baby Charlie, Lorna and Charles, Hazel and Elle, Malcolm, Jane, Janine, Julie.

COLLECT

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

READINGS

Colossians 1: 15-28 - The Pre-eminence of Christ

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.
¹⁶ For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.

¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.
¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church.

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He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent.

¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to

dwell, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

²¹ And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in Order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him,

²³ if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

Paul's Ministry to the Church

²⁴ Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, ²⁵ of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from

God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶ the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints.

²⁷ To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

²⁸ Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Luke 10: 38-42 Martha and Mary

³⁸ Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house.

³⁹ And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching.

⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted with much serving.

And she went up to him and said,

"Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me."

⁴¹ But the Lord answered her,

"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, ⁴² but one thing is necessary.

Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever.

YOUNG CHURCH - Today we will hear the story of two sisters Martha and Mary. We will talk about how we can get worried and too busy at times. We will have M & M snack sitting quietly in the outside Gated area and listening to sounds around us and make a paper plate clock, take time for Jesus craft.

THE MISSING "Play Your Cards Right" game has been found...

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Is there someone who would like to make a kneeler for the church? In my sorting out I have found a kneeler kit which I bought many years ago but never started. Contact Jill for more details. 07812741279

Monday, 7.30pm for 7.45pm, Bingo - everybody welcome!

Tuesday. Zumba, 5.45pm to 7.15pm

Wednesdays, 10am – 11am – "Keep Fit" in the hall with Alice. Call Alice on 07834362675 for more information.

And from, **6pm – 9pm**, Drumming Classes.

Thursday, 7.30pm, Emmaus Road, in church.

Next Saturday, Community Hub, from 10.30am to 12.30pm