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Notes & News

Sunday 14 June 2020

First Sunday after Trinity

Welcome

This Sunday in our 10.00am online service we will be exploring the sad and undoubtedly complex story of Ananias and Sapphira, two of the very first Christians, who tried to deceive others not realising you can't deceive God. Like many of us I have been deeply affected by the #BlackLivesMatter movement that has come to prominence with the tragic and evil killing of George Floyd, which has caused me to read articles by black people to help me understand a little better what it is like to face racism on a regular basis. It is very easy for people like me to say "I am not racist, I have black friends" and deceive ourselves because we never look introspectively at whether unwittingly we sometimes speak or act in ways that are subtly racist.



② Ananias and Sapphira

sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us." Ananias and Sapphira ended up deceiving themselves and not the apostles nor God. I hope we don't deceive ourselves whether it be to do with racism, greed or our behaviour during this pandemic, but humbly reflect and ask God to reveal what words or actions hurt others and God, so that we can change our behaviour knowing that "if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1 :9).

I expect Ananias and Sapphira thought they were doing good by giving some of the proceeds from the sale of their field to God's work, so thought that negated their deception of giving the impression to the apostles that they had given the whole of the proceeds.

The introduction to Evening Prayer from the Book of Common Prayer often begins with the words of 1 John 1: 8, "If we say that we have no

Jonathan

Sunday 14 June – First Sunday after Trinity

10.00am – Online Morning Worship

Join from 9.45am to listen to music played by Matthew and St Peter's bells calling us to worship and remember to have a candle to light at the start of the service.

HYMNS

Over the mountains and the seas
And can it be
Purify my heart
Immortal Invisible

READINGS

Isaiah 29: 13-16
Acts 4:32-5: 11

SERMON

Called to be Holy

8.00pm – Night Prayer

* NIGHT PRAYER ON SUNDAYS AT 8.00pm *

Whilst it is lovely to worship online on Sunday mornings, there is something special about being able to worship with others face to face, even if that is by Zoom. There will be a short service of Night Prayer (Compline), most Sundays at 8.00pm lasting approx. 20-30 minutes, using Zoom, as a lovely way to end the week together, worshipping, reflecting and praying. All are welcome including those who wish to phone in. Use the web link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/585531880> or enter meeting id as 585531880.

*** ACCESSING OUR ONLINE SERVICES *** You can access our YouTube services each Sunday as follows:

- via www.stpeterwoking.org/sundaylive which provides a link to YouTube and other information about the service
- subscribe to the Parish of St Peter Woking YouTube channel (click the Subscribe button below the video) to get direct access from YouTube without needing to go via the website
- listen via telephone for those without internet access. It is simple so please give it a try. Just before the service call **0330 0885830**, enter the meeting id as 585531880 when prompted then press #, then when asked for a participant id press # again and you will be able to listen to the service. It is a local call cost which is free for most people.

For those watching live via YouTube use the chat facility to talk to one another before, during and after the service. If you can't watch it live, it will be available online afterwards, but not by phone.

If you would like to meet face to face and chat after the online service, join us on Zoom with your coffee or tea. Use the Sunday Live meeting id of **585 531 880**

If you receive N&N by email you can download the service sheet from www.stpeterwoking.org/sundaylive or email the office for a copy.

If you have any problem or need technical help, please contact Robin on 01483 852560 or Mark on 01483 771094.

DAILY MORNING PRAYER

We meet every morning via Zoom for half an hour, pray, study the Bible and encourage one another. If you haven't already and wish to join, please do get in-touch with me and I will take you through the very simple steps of how to join. In the meantime, find below, next week's Bible readings.

If you have a prayer request, a testimony, an encouragement, be it yours or someone else's, that you would like us bring up at morning prayer, please do let me know by email, text or call on the details below. I look forward to hearing from you.

Next Week's Bible Readings

Monday	Psalm 30	Luke 12: 1-12
Tuesday	Psalm 33	Luke 12: 13-21
Wednesday	Psalm 34	Luke 12: 22-31
Thursday	Psalm 39	Luke 12: 32-40
Friday	Psalm 31	Luke 12: 41-48
Saturday	Psalm 41	Luke 12: 49-59

Rev Sam, Curate curate@stpeterwoking.org 07923 331108

CHURCH OPENING FOR PRIVATE PRAYER *

With the easing of restrictions you are probably aware that the government is allowing churches to open for private prayer. We have decided to open St Peter's and All Souls' at the times below from tomorrow, Monday 15 June, but for practical reasons not St Mark's. We are roping off many areas including pews and putting just a few chairs out to sit on to make it easier to keep clean and hygienic. Please make use of our churches if you would like to and have no Covid-19 symptoms. Please abide by the rules for everyone's protection.

St Peter's open from Monday 15 June

Monday to Friday	9.00am-12.30pm
Sunday	9.00am-6.00pm

All Souls' open from Sunday 21 June

Sunday	9.00am-6.00pm
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*** EVENING PRAYER BCP SERVICE – Wednesday 17 June at 7.00pm ***

Our twice monthly BCP service will be from St Peter's next week. Join live via YouTube or afterwards. Details of how to watch are as for Sunday services.

*** PET SERVICE – Sunday 5 July ***

We are unable to hold our pet service at Elm Nursery this year but have decided to have one via Zoom on Sunday 5 July at 6.00pm. So if you have a pet, or enjoy animals, then please put this date in your diary and get them looking their best for then! More details to follow.

*** CORONAVIRUS SUPPORT FUND ***

Thank you to those who have given generously to this fund. If you know of anyone connected with the parish who is in financial need at present due to the effects of the pandemic please contact Jonathan, Mark or Jacquie.



Next Sunday 21 June
Second Sunday after Trinity
10.00am – Morning Worship
Simon the Sorcerer (Acts 8:9-25)

6.00pm – Revive Service

*** SHOP AND DROP – WE CAN HELP ***

If you, or a friend, are self-isolating, our *Shop & Drop* service is here to help you! We are offering help with shopping, urgent supplies, posting mail and other errands, dog walking, a friendly phone call, or prayer. We have a few people on the scheme, but have the capacity for more, so please refer people to us. Cards are available to put through people's doors. Please email shopanddrop@stpeterwoking.org or phone 01483 852560. Robin and Jenny

*** DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE ***

As you may be aware the Archbishop of Canterbury has launched a telephone service called 'Daily Hope' with a message from him, hymns and prayers, aimed especially at those who want spiritual refreshment, but cannot join in with services on the internet.

It is a free call available 24 hours a day on 0800 8048044, so please try it out.

*** PASTORAL SUPPORT ***

Everyone who attends our services has been assigned a Link Person who will keep in touch with you by phone or email. If you have not heard from your Link Person or would like any form of pastoral support please contact our Pastoral Assistant Brenda Cox on 01483 770997 or brendaatno7@gmail.com.

*** FAMILIES @ 11.30am ***

Over the past few weeks we have been bringing the families in our churches together through 'Church in an Email' including a story, some fun activities, and a creative prayer idea. We have then been meeting together via Zoom each Sunday morning to go through the story, explore it together, and to catch up!

Please contact Robin on cfm@stpeterwoking.org or Rachel on rachel.e.johnson@sky.com for further details. Children of all ages, along with their parents, are very welcome to take part, even if it's just to wave hello!

*** CONNECT GROUPS ***

A number of our midweek Connect Groups are meeting again via Zoom or WhatsApp for Bible study and fellowship, in the evenings or daytime. If you are not part of a Connect Group, but would like to be at this time, we would love you to join us, so please contact Jonathan who can give you details of the different groups.

*** THIS WEEK PLEASE PRAY FOR ... ***

the family and friends of Caroline Hilderley, aged 86, whose funeral is on Thursday 18 June.

and for– Mary and Bob Baker, Eileen and Peter Bliss, Barbara Lanaway, Trevor Lloyd, Mary McAvoy and all those at home alone, both young and old.

*** COLLECT FOR FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY ***

Almighty and everlasting God,
you have given us your servants grace,
by the confession of a true faith,
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:
keep us steadfast in this faith,
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

*** A PRAYER FOR OTHERS ***

Lord Jesus Christ,
you taught us to love our neighbour,
and to care for those in need as if we were caring for you.
In this time of anxiety, give us strength to comfort the fearful,
to tend the sick, and to assure the isolated of our love, and your love,
for your name's sake. Amen.

*** A PRAYER REMEMBERING GOD IS WITH US * -**

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your disciples,
'I am with you always'.
Be with me today, as I offer myself to you.
Hear my prayers for others and for myself,
and keep me in your care.

Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me. Amen.



*** REVIVE ***

On Sunday 21 June, we will have our first online Revive service via the Zoom app. This is a contemporary informal service that is suitable for all ages. Please do join us from 6.00pm for a time of sung worship, the Word and an opportunity to share testimony of what the good Lord is doing in our lives.

If you would like to be a part of this service, please email Sam on curate@stpeterwoking.org for details on how to join.

* FINANCIAL GIVING TO THE PARISH *

As you are undoubtedly aware, our income has dropped due to the lack of cash collections on a Sunday and no lettings of our halls at present leading to a potentially significant deficit this year. We appreciate that many are not in a financial position to give any more currently, but if you are able to please consider a temporary increase in your giving or a one-off gift which would be much appreciated. Gifts can be made as follows:

- contacting Parish Giving Scheme if a member on 0333 002 1271 or contacting your bank if giving by standing order
- giving online at www.kindlink.com/charity/parish-of-stpeter-woking
- sending a cheque made payable to 'The Parish of St Peter Woking' to the Parish Office, Church Street, Old Woking, GU22 9JF

If you don't currently give regularly but would like to please go to www.stpeterwoking.org/giving or contact the Parish Office for further details.

* ALPHA COURSE STARTING THIS WEEK *

Has this pandemic made you question previously held assumptions about life, its purpose, your beliefs? Are you looking to try and make sense of life? Would you call yourself a Christian, but don't feel your faith is really alive? If so why not join our Alpha course starting this week details of which are below. Or do you have a friend, family member or work colleague that you have been sharing your faith with or you think might be interested. Please invite them and pray.

The *Alpha* course is ideal for anyone exploring the Christian faith, whether you call yourself a Christian or not. It provides a great grounding in the basics of our faith.

It features engaging, thought-provoking videos and an opportunity to ask any questions in a relaxed environment from the comfort of your own home. Alpha will be run online using Zoom, last about an hour and a quarter and will run weekly on **Wednesday** evenings at 7.45pm starting on 17 June.

Please contact Sam at curate@stpeterwoking.org asap if you or a friend would like to participate. More information on www.stpeterwoking.org/courses

Due to numbers we will not be running the Life Explored course previously detailed.

* DVD OF ONLINE SERVICES *

If you are unable to access our online services but would like a DVD of them to watch at home please contact the Parish Office and we will send them to you each week

* ZOOM GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUIZ NIGHT – Friday 26 June at 7.00pm *

Save this date for your diary! Join in and have some fun! Suitable for all the family.

For each person/household taking part – you are invited to please supply five questions (and the answers!) for a themed round. We'll try to get through as many rounds as possible! Please email me beforehand with your round of Q&As and to get the zoom link. Tracey traceypusey@yahoo.com

* LOCKDOWN CRAFT SALE *

I know many of you have been turning your hands to craft work during the lockdown and are running out of ideas. I thought that we could concentrate our minds on making things to sell at a Sale later in the year.

I have a few suggestions like knitted items – what about knitting some small Christmas stockings or bags to put presents in? Sewing of all types, painting, woodwork – carving or planters, paper flowers and arrangements. We have a lot of clever people who are very good with their hands.

This will be raising funds for the church, specifically possible work on St Peter's Chancel which the PCC hope to bring to the church after lockdown.

If you are interested give me a call. Brenda Cox Tel: 07921 160684

* SOUTH WOKING FOODBANK *

The demand for our local foodbank has increased so if you are able to support it please drop produce off in the basket at Sainsburys Local at Kingfield. Or if you would like to make a financial donation to help them buy much needed food contact Jonathan who can pass on their bank details.

* WEEKLY VIDEO LOG *

Each week one of our ministry team, wardens or preachers will be sharing a topical online reflection at www.stpeterwoking.org/howcanwehelp – with Jenny this week.

* YOU HAVE BEEN WORSHIPPING WITH *

Thank you very much to everyone who has sent in photos of themselves for us to include at the end of our Sunday Services. We know lots of people are appreciating this opportunity to 'see' each other! Please do feel free to send me (cfm@stpeterwoking.org) your photos if you haven't done so already, or send an updated one if you don't recognise yourself any more – or if you've had a funny lockdown haircut!

WARDEN'S WINDOW

In the exceptional set of circumstances that we are enduring at the moment, it is good to see a ray of light in the form of the lockdown being eased. As part of this we will be opening some of our churches for private prayer.

This is the beginning of the slow road back to normality, a ray of hope to be celebrated!

Private prayer is so important because it helps the light of the Holy Spirit to shine into our lives. Luke 11: 13b says "How much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!" What better or more powerful thing can we ask God for than that?

So as we begin the journey back to normality let us make a point of asking God to bless us with his Holy Spirit, so going forward, we can stand as a beacon for Him.

God Bless

Mark