



St John's, Stoneleigh Weekly Newsletter

31st July 2022

A MESSAGE FROM REV. KEN HOBBS

Welcome to our 10 am worship at St John's and at home. Today we welcome Rev David Senior as our service leader and preacher and he will be finishing our Ten Commandments series by looking at what is known as "The Greatest Commandment"

The service today (and throughout August) includes some elements of the 11am service, notably the use of a simpler Holy Communion liturgy. (non-alcoholic wine and gluten free wafers are available) The whole service will be on screen so worship booklets are not required although items from the worship booklet are included.

Coffee is available afterwards in the St John's Centre. Geoff and I are away today but Geoff will be here all week and all midweek services will continue throughout August. God bless you

Rev. Ken Hobbs

SUMMERTIME SERVICES: FORMAT

Today, Sunday July 31 and continuing throughout August, we will be running one service on Sunday morning at 10am. This will be a service of Holy Communion but with provision for families, including KidZone. The service will include a slightly shorter Eucharistic prayer, a mix of music styles, and the use of the big screens for liturgy as well as the hymn/song words. This will make the service easier to follow for those not used to finding their way around the worship booklet.

Rev. Geoff Andrew

SUMMERTIME SERVICES: THEME

Today Rev Ken and I are both away and we are delighted that David Senior from St Paul Howell Hill will be with us to lead and preach for the final Sunday on the 10 Commandments series. During August, Ken will preach on the 1st and 4th Sundays on two of Jesus' parables, and I will be preaching on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays on Prayer & Healing in anticipation of re-introducing prayer ministry to our services on a regular basis in the Autumn. Please pick up a sermon series card from church.

Rev. Geoff Andrew

HOSTING GUESTS FROM UKRAINE

Anne and I are delighted to be hosting our new Ukrainian guest, Sasha, who has been living with us at the vicarage for the past 3 weeks. Sasha has a friend - a young woman with two boys aged 7 and 5 - who is also looking to leave Ukraine and needs a host family in the UK. It would be lovely if she could find a place in Stoneleigh so they could be close to each other. If anyone is willing and able to host this family, or if you know of someone who could, can you please let me know? It is a real blessing to help those in need.

Rev. Geoff Andrew

CONCERT

On Saturday October 22nd a concert with Paul Jones and Fiona Hendley will be at St John's. Paul Jones was the lead singer for Manfred Mann and the Blues Band and they will be sharing their faith in words and music and speaking at both Services on the Sunday. This is a significant outreach event for us and our local churches. Details to follow on tickets etc. in due course. Book the Date!

There is a sign up sheet at the front of church so we can get an idea of numbers. Please add your name and how many tickets you intend to buy. Many thanks.

SUNDAY SERVICES

Our 10:00am service is streamed via <https://stoneleigh.tv>. Any problems, please let us know.

Tim Rogers

THURSDAY COFFEE MORNING

Thursday morning coffee via Zoom at 10:30am is still taking place. For the Zoom link, please email the office.

DONATING TO ST JOHN'S



If you would like to contribute financially to the work of St John's, you can donate using this QR code. Using your smartphone's camera will take you straight to a page where you can make a donation using a credit card. Thank you.

Rev. Geoff Andrew

CRAFT CLUB

The next Craft Club will be on Monday, 15th August. Meeting in the Parish Room from 10am to 12 noon. Bring your crafting and come along. See you there!

Veronica Gittins

OFFICIAL OFFICE EMAIL ADDRESS

We are phasing out our old BT email address and it will stop working later in the year. When sending emails to the St. John's office, please update your address book and use office@stjohnsstoneleigh.org.uk if you can.

Tim Rogers

FOODBANK

This week they have COMPLETELY RUN OUT of :
Chocolate spread, Chocolate, Powdered milk

They also URGENTLY NEED please:-

Tinned vegetables, Tinned fish, Noodles, Pasta sauce, Cooking sauce, Brown sauce, Small bags of sugar, Sponge pudding, Long life fruit juice, Squash, Biscuits, Rice pudding, Children's treats - Freddo's, chocolate buttons etc., Sanitary towels, Adult toothbrushes, Baby wipes, Nappies - size 5, size 6 and

size 6+, Washing powder, Household cleaning products - antibac spray, cleaning wipes, oven cleaner etc. (No bleach please!)

Please no more of these items as they are fully stocked:

Pulses, pasta, beans, rice, washing up liquid, cat food, dog food, peanut butter, milk UHT, non-dairy milk.



Hope4Malawi Open Garden

Saturday 30th July and Sunday 31st July
1-5pm

87 Sandy Lane, Cheam, SM2 7EP
1/3 acre subtropical garden

Dahlias, Cannas, Bananas, Olive Tree Ferns and large vegetable plot

Entry: Adults £5 Children Free

Opportunity to buy tea, cakes and plants

All proceeds for relief of poverty and to support education in rural Malawi

Order of service for 10am

The New Testament Reading is from 1 John 3: 11-20

For this is the message you heard from the beginning: we should love one another. Do not be like Cain, who belonged to the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own actions were evil and his brother's were righteous. Do not be surprised, my brothers and sisters, if the world hates you. We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love each other. Anyone who does not love remains in death. Anyone who hates a brother or sister is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life residing in him. This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth. This is how we know that we belong to the truth and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence: if our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, 'Of all the commandments, which is the most important?'

'The most important one,' answered Jesus, 'is this: "Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength." The second is this: "Love your neighbour as yourself." There is no commandment greater than these.'

'Well said, teacher,' the man replied. 'You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices.'

When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Church Bulletin Bloopers

Don't be surprised to find mistakes on your church notice sheet.

We print something for everyone and some people love finding mistakes.