



Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry

10th February 2019

Fourth Sunday before Lent

Sermon series - "David and his friends"



"David and God"

9.15am Holy Communion

Readings 1 Samuel 16: 6-13 (page 287)
Luke 16. 13-15 (page 1050)
Hymns MP 560, 335, 25, 204 (omit v3)

11.00am All Age Worship

Reading 1 Samuel 16: 6-13
Hymns MP 38, 1101, Faith as small, 857, 579.

At the 9.15am service the choir will sing the anthem "Locus Iste" by Anton Bruckner.

The words may be translated as 'This place was made by God, a priceless sacrament beyond reproach.'

The organ voluntary is the chorale prelude 'Eternity, thou word of power' by Karg-Elert.

Collect

Lord of the hosts of heaven,
our salvation and our strength,
without you we are lost:
guard us from all that harms or hurts
and raise us when we fall;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Diary for the Week

more notices are on the church website [at www.stmatthewskt6.org](http://www.stmatthewskt6.org).

Monday	11	9.45am	Brunch Bunch : Sitzler Room
		11.00am	Holy Communion for the residents of Milverton Care Home
		8.00pm	Inspire House Group
Tuesday	12	2.30pm	Holy Communion for the residents of Rosclare Care Home
Wednesday	13	8.00pm	Beta House Group
Thursday	14	10.00am	Smarties
		7.00pm	Choir Practice
		8.00pm	Delta & Sigma House Groups
Friday	15	10.00am	St Matthew's Mum's Group Meeting
		7.30pm	An Evening with Elaine and Friends: cornerHOUSE –see notice
Sunday	17		Third Sunday before Lent
		9.15am	Morning Prayer
		11.00am	All Age Communion Service

Give thanks for answered prayer: and please pray for:

Rev. Helen Hancock & family, Rev. Luke Wickings & family, Rev. David Nyirongo & family,
Rev. Carolyn Lucas & family, the THiS Team, Paul Atkins, Marilyn Leach, Sally and Jan Hall, Victor Cuthbert.

Sermon Series -Today we are beginning a sermon series about David and his 'friends'. Looking at some of his adventures and at the many complicated relationships which King David had during his lifetime will help us to consider how we might conduct ourselves today as Seven Whole Day Christians. Remember that if you miss one in the series then you will be able to catch up on 'Listen Again' on the website. We are also going to encourage some feedback on the series so don't be surprised if someone asks you to fill in a feedback form!

New Church Electoral Roll - We are now preparing a new Electoral Roll for the APCM in April.

If you would like to be included on the Roll please complete an application form from the back of church. This year we are required to start a new Roll from scratch so even if you were on last year's roll please fill in a form. If you have any questions please speak to Judith Jones.

Church Treasurer - After many years of faithful service Jin-Yong Kang is standing down as Treasurer. We are so grateful for all he has done for the church in this role. However it does mean that we are looking for a replacement to start as soon as possible. If you have the some of the appropriate skills, please give prayerful consideration to whether this is a role you might consider taking on. Job shares and new ways of working may be possible. Please talk to Helen.

Deanery Synod - Once again the first part of the **Deanery Synod Meeting on Tuesday 26th Feb** is an open meeting. It is to be held at St James Church, Bodley Road, New Malden and Bishop Richard will address the Deanery on 'An outward looking church in the 21st Century' followed by questions. 7.30pm for refreshments with an 8pm start. All welcome.

Churches Together in Surbiton - Is there anyone who would like to become one of our representatives on this group? It is not an onerous responsibility but is important in helping to build bridges between the churches in Surbiton. Alternatively might you be able to help organise a lunch for different church members to share lunch with each other, probably in June - no cooking required this is just about organising it. Or could you help organise the refreshments after the Walk of Witness on Good Friday at the YMCA? If you can help with any of these, please let Helen know.

Thanks - Alan Thomas would like to thank all those who have offered practical help and prayer while Jill has been in hospital and especially to those who have given him lifts to the hospital. He is extremely grateful for everyone's love and concern.

Calling all actors! On the morning of Good Friday this year (19 April) a dramatic representation of the passion is being planned as part of the CTiS Walk of Witness through Surbiton. If you would like to be involved there is a planning meeting next **Friday 15th Feb** at Tolworth URC at 7.30pm. If you are interested but unable to attend please contact Rev Roger Jones 07525410083 or rjones@urcsouthern.org.uk

The Children's Society - If you are the owner of a Society collection box I would be very grateful, if you could bring your box along to St. Matthew's church **by next Sunday 17th February, if possible, please.** I attend the 9.15am service but can be found at the back of church before the 11 o'clock service . Thank you. Paul Mackie 8224 1296.

"An Evening with Elaine and Friends"- Elaine Blackmore is hosting "An Evening with Elaine and friends" at The CornerHouse in Douglas Road **next Friday 15th February** .This will be a variety evening with the Berrylands Belles choir, and our very own Simon Hancock playing- plus more. I hope this will be a fun evening for all. All proceeds from this event will be given to the Church Tower and Spire appeal. Tickets can be purchased via the website. <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/573752>.

Games and Pizza Evening - Saturday 2nd March , An evening of games, food and fun, suitable for all, at the cornerHOUSE, 5.30 – 9pm. Tickets cost £5 for adults, £3 for children to include pizza, with a cash or card bar. In aid of the Tower and Spire Appeal.

Foodbank Focus - February "Tinned Meals"

Meat or Veggie the choice is yours. Thanks for all the January donations.

When placing items in the boxes at the back of church please make sure the box lids are on tightly.

KCAH - Items needed please - Men's (new) underwear, rucksacks, sleeping bags, deodorants, toothpaste etc. Please place them in the box provided at the back of church. Thank you.

5ps Collection for the Organ Fund. - The model of St Matthew's Church piggy bank can be found at the back of church after both services for donations towards the much needed replacement of the organ electronics which date from 1962. Thanks for your contributions – please keep them coming, every little helps.

Facebook Page - We now have an official 'St Matthew's Church Surbiton' Facebook page! If you are social media savvy, please 'like' the page and share our future posts to help us engage with the congregation and our wider local community.

Passion Play 2020 - Revd William Allberry is organising a visit to the famous Passion Play in Oberammergau in 2020. He and Joan took a party in 2010 and found it a profound experience – including a delightful holiday in Austria leading up to the performance itself. He has made provisional arrangements with McCabe, the leading Christian pilgrimage operator with whom he has travelled many times, for **13-20 May 2020**. See the poster and flyers at the back of the church.

Free money from smile.amazon - St Matthew's is now set up as a registered charity with Smile.Amazon. Amazon will donate 0.5% of all eligible purchases you make to St Matthew's. All you need to do is go to www.smile.amazon.co.uk instead of their usual website and select St Matthew's Church, Surbiton as your chosen charity. All your current account details, prices and benefits will remain the same. Then each time you want to shop on Amazon, make sure you go to smile.amazon and you will be raising funds for St Matthew's, with no extra cost to you. <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1143978-0>

<p><i>For more information about our church and events visit our website at</i> www.stmatthewskt6.org - <i>email address: admin@stmatthewskt6.org</i> <i>Parish Office is open 9 -12.30pm Mon, Tues & Thurs. Tel.no. 020 8390 5121.</i></p>
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Motto Verse 2019
***“Unless the Lord builds the house,
those who build it labour in vain.” Psalm 127.1***