



Parish of St Matthew, Surbiton

In the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry

25th August 2019

Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Last in our Sermon series -
"Why I am a Christian"



9.15am Holy Communion

11.00am All Age Worship with a Baptism

Readings Psalm 51: 10 -17 (page 573)
Luke 4: 14-21 (page 1031)

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Hymns Now is eternal life, Be still my soul,
525, 266 (omit v 3)

Hymns 826, 1221, Unless the Lord builds the
house, Good, good Father, 705.

The organ voluntary at the 9.15am service will be JS Bach – "Christ lag in Todesbanden" - 'In death's strong grasp the Saviour lay / But now the Lord is risen today'.

Collect

Lord of heaven and earth,
as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer,
give us patience and courage never to lose hope,
but always to bring our prayers before you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Diary for the Week

more notices are on the church website at www.stmatthewskt6.org and on the porch noticeboard.

Monday	26		Bank Holiday
Thursday	29	10.00am	SMArties Embroidery Group
		7.00pm	Choir Practice
Saturday	31	10.00am	Open Church until midday
Sunday	1		<u>Eleventh Sunday after Trinity</u>
		9.15am	Holy Communion
		11.00am	All Age Worship

Give thanks for answered prayer: and please pray for:

Reverends' Helen Hancock, Luke Wickings, David Nyirongo, Carolyn Lucas & their families, the THIS Team. Margaret Howell, Carol Bainbridge, Paul Atkins, Miles Stuart- William. George Moody who is to be baptised in our 11 o'clock service this morning. We pray for Joan Scriven as she speaks to us today in the last of our " Why I am a Christian" series,

Maintenance/Housekeeping Day

– We would like some volunteers please for a Church Maintenance/Housekeeping day on **Saturday 7th September**. If you are able to help for a few hours please sign up with Mike or Pauline. Thank you.

Thurs 5 Sept at 7.30pm

–There will be a meeting all together of Home group members and anyone else based round our Motto Verse. We'll start with some refreshments and worship and then have the study together. It will be a great way to meet at the start of the term and to think about our response to God as a church and as individuals. All welcome - no previous experience necessary!

Heritage Open Days at St Matthew's: - We are joining the nationwide initiative to help people to understand more about the heritage around them, and will be opening specially for the event on **Saturdays and Sundays. 14th/15th and 21st/22nd September.** Please encourage your friends, relatives, neighbours and workmates to join us between 10.00 and 17.00 on the Saturdays or 14.00 to 17.00 on the Sundays. All are very welcome and refreshments will be available.

Informal Music Recitals: - **Saturday 14th September at 16.00**, the very welcome return of organist Felix Elliott. **Sunday 15th September at 16.00** a flute and guitar recital with Alicia Dine & Roland Gallery. Free admission, retiring collection for the Tower and Spire project.

Exciting news - there will be hard hat tours up the tower, (ie. up the scaffolding outside - not just up the inside) each taking a maximum of 4 people and lasting about one hour on:

Saturday 14 September at 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon.

Saturday 21 September at 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon.

By applying for a place you will be agreeing to certain conditions - please read before signing up on the list at the back of church. (Only open to adults over 18.) You must be physically fit to do this so please don't sign up if you have any medical conditions which may affect your physical fitness.

Sermon Series – During September and October our sermon series is entitled 'Worship of God through . . . ' We all know that going to church is worship but how else can we express our worship of God? From the Bible it is clear that living holy lives and caring for those in need is worship but what about appreciating his good creation in all its many diverse aspects?

Weekday restricted access to church. - There will be no access through the main church doors on weekdays. If you need to get in during that time, please speak, in advance, to Helen or Simon.

Calling all would-be actors! - Would you like to join a small team taking Bible stories into school Assemblies for Grand Avenue? It's a great way of introducing school children to the Bible and to Jesus. If you are interested please have a word with Helen asap.

AVM 'Ladies fun night' AVM fundraiser. **Wednesday 11th September** from 7.00pm. 3 course meal with inclusive drinks (£30 with wine and £22 non-alcoholic). Ask Heather Palmer if you want to book, or book on line with Eventbrite at [Ladies fun night tickets](#). 0208 878169. heather.palmer@africanvision.org.uk Funds raised to support girls to stay in school. Bring along some pants (size 10-14) to donate to the project.

Foodbank Focus September including Harvest Festival Sunday 22 September. Urgently required please. - Instant Coffee..tinned Fruit..tinned Vegetables (not Baked Beans or Pulses). Fruit Squash..Noodles..Pasta Sauce..Jams and Spreads..Instant Mashed Potato. Please choose from this list. Thank you.

KCAH – Items needed please - Men's (new) underwear, ladies toiletries and pants, rucksacks, sleeping bags, deodorants, new socks, pot noodles & baby wipes etc. No toothbrushes or toothpaste for the moment please. Please place them in the box provided at the back of church. Thank you.

For more information about our church and events visit our website at www.stmatthewskt6.org - email address: admin@stmatthewskt6.org

Facebook [StMatthewsChurchSurbiton](#) www.stmatthewskt6.org

Parish Office is open 9 -12.30pm Mon, Tues & Thurs.(TERM TIME ONLY) Tel.no. 020 8390 5121.

Motto Verse 2019
***“Unless the Lord builds the house,
those who build it labour in vain.” Psalm 127.1***

Raise money for St Matthew's at zero cost to you! - St Matthew's PCC is now registered with 'Give As You Live', an online fundraising platform which allows users to shop at over 4,300 online stores and raise free funds for the Church. Register at www.giveasyoulive.com, search for 'St Matthew's PCC, Surbiton' and you can raise 1-10% of whatever you spend online for the Church at no cost to you. You can install a 'donation reminder' on your computer or smart phone so that you are asked if you would like to raise money when visiting a website. This initiative could be worth thousands of pounds a year to us, especially if Church members use it when booking holidays, taking out insurance or doing their Christmas shopping. Please speak to Jen Houghton or Julie Usher if you would like to know more.

Christian Aid - Richmond Riverside Sponsored Walk Saturday 28th September 2019.

This family friendly sponsored walk takes place along the iconic River Thames. Explore some of the finest sites along the Thames path, including the Terrace Gardens and Ham House Gardens. Over 40 million people are internally displaced around the world. By walking and raising funds you will help transform the lives of communities where we work. Location: St Matthias Church, Church Road, Richmond, TW10 6LL
Time: Registration starts at 09:30am The walk begins at 10:30am and ends at 3:00pm
Register: rrw19.eventbrite.co.uk Contact: Justice at rpw@christian-aid.org or 0207 5232 044.

ASK Topical Lunches *Back for Autumn 2019*

Every Third Thursday of the month - All Saints Parish Church, Kingston Market Place.

Enjoy lunch – discuss Kingston's topical issues

Thursday 19th September

Whatever is Westminster up to? SIR ED DAVEY, MP for Kingston and Surbiton.

Thursday 17th October

The Kingston Society – Our vision for a better Borough. ANTHONY EVANS, Chair of the Kingston Society.

Thursday 21st November

The Council Leader's end of year report. Your questions - your verdict. Councillor LIZ GREEN, Leader of the Royal Borough of Kingston.

Lunch from 12:00 am – Sandwiches at the *ASK East End Cafe*; or bring your own.

Introduction 1:00 – 1:15 pm Questions, comments, discussion. Finish 1:45 pm

For further information, contact Leslie Packer lgpacker123@gmail.com or 20 8549 1960

5ps Collection for the Organ Fund. – The model of St Matthew's Church piggy bank which can be found at the back of church is for your odd 5p's to help support the fund. Thanks for your contributions