Holy Communion

Collect for Sunday

O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature:

Make us always thankful for your loving providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we must give one day, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22 (page p747 in the OT of the Church Bibles) Read by Andrew Taylor

Luke 18:18-30 (page 103 in the NT of the Church Bibles)

Eucharist celebrated by Revd Mark Laynesmith

Gospel

'The well-off twenty something'

Preaching by Richard Croft Worship led by Richard Harwood Prayers led by Rachel Thake

Hymns for Today

Praise my soul the King of Heaven Dear Lord and father of mankind How deep the Father's love for us

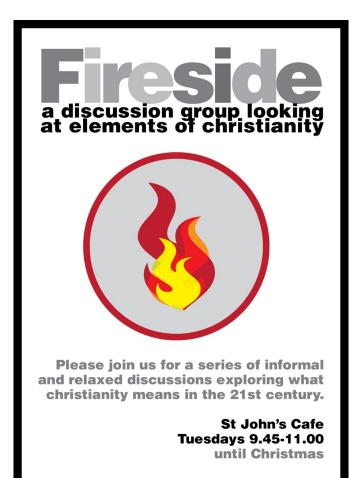
O God, you search me and you know me Here is love, vast as the ocean

Father, hear the prayer we offer

All are invited to come for communion and prayer.

If you do not wish to take communion, please come for prayer.

If you have any particular need, problem or prayer request please speak to a member of the clergy after the service.









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Part-time Team Leader opportunity

We are looking for:

A passionate & knowledgeable communicator with experience of working with children ideally in an educational context A warm, open and friendly personality The ability to work flexibly.

Hours of work: to be agreed with the successful candidate, but anticipated to be around 4 hours per week on a term time basis.

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If you would like to apply for this position please send a letter explaining why you are attracted to this post plus a current CV to Julia Jones, email

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Closing date: 31 October 2016

EcoChurch October Green Tip



Find out about wildlife events you can join nearby at www.bbowt.org.uk,

Such as a bat safari at Thatcham on 26/10; or a bird walk and pub lunch at Theale on 26/11.

Our next **Café Théologique** will be of particular interest to those who enjoy fantasy literature....

Café Théologique

Monday 24th October, 7:30pm.

Alex Gushurst-Moore *in conversation with* Mark Laynesmith: "Faith and Fantasy: Christianity in Tolkien and Lewis."

Zero Degrees Bar, Bridge Street, Reading All welcome - just turn up.



Joshua Lambden (23rd) Mike Kennedy (27th)



- Prayers for Marilyn (Oodie) who has now moved to the Duchess of Kent, prayers also for Spence and family
- Prayers for Don and Ruth Mason
- Prayers for Jenny Sullivan who used to worship at St John's. She is having treatment at the RBH for cancer.

Items for prayer and notices

Please give any items for prayer or notices to Revd Vincent Gardner *before* 9 am on Wednesday by pigeon hole, e-mail or phone.





Church Diary

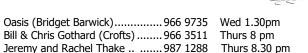
Sun 23rd 10.30am Holy Communion (sung)

2-5pm Contact Centre

Sun 30th 10.30am Holy Communion (sung)

Children's Praise Plus

Small Groups



You are welcome to join with any group - please speak to contact/leader

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23rd October 2016 Eighth Sunday of Creation

Don't rush away! Please feel free to join us after the morning service for a cup of coffee or tea. We look forward to your company.



23rd October—Judith Lawrence & Homegroup 30th October—Marian Harwood & Friends

The link person from the Welcome Team today

Norma Stevenson