

## All Age Communion

*Collect for Sunday*

Almighty God,  
in Christ you make all things new:  
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of  
your grace,  
and in the renewal of our lives  
make known your heavenly glory;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

Isaiah 49: 1-7  
*(p713 in the OT of the Church Bibles)*  
Read by Jose Kennedy  
John 1:29-42  
*(p117 in the NT of the Church Bibles)*

Eucharist celebrated by Revd Mark Laynesmith  
Preaching by Revd Vincent Gardner  
Worship led by Revd Gary Collins  
Prayers led by Mary Langshaw

### Hymns for Today

Hail to the Lord's anointed  
Holy Spirit, living breath of God  
Just as I am, without one plea

*I am the bread of life*

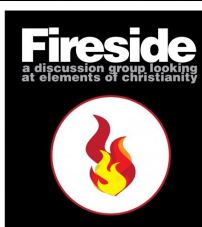
*Let all who are thirsty come*

And can it be

*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.*



**January Green Tip** - if you recycle your Christmas cards at Marks & Spencer's they will raise money for the Woodland Trust.



**Fireside is currently taking a break and will return .....**



### Help Needed



Monday Monsters runs between 1-3pm on a Monday in term time. If anyone would like to come along and get involved, help would be appreciated. Please contact Priya Herath or Tanya (office).

### **Kairos: Churches taking action for Palestine**

Kairos was formed in response to a call from Palestinian churches for British Christians to stand in solidarity with them. The launch meeting will take place at St Nic's Church, Earley, on Sunday 15th January 12.30-3.00pm. There is a leaflet in the foyer giving more details.

### ***Having difficult conversations about migration***

Saturday January 28th  
10-4pm  
Friends Meeting House  
2 Church Street  
RG1 2SB

Looking at


What are our stories?  
Who do we need to speak to?  
The myth of myth busting  
Empathetic listening and Socratic questioning  
Case study

*Organised by Hope not Hate and Global Justice now in partnership with Reading Refugee Support Group and Reading City of Sanctuary*

Contact [marianmcnichol@gmail.com](mailto:marianmcnichol@gmail.com) for more information




Abraham and Tina Varghese and their children Noel and Sarah who attended our church until earlier this year when they moved to Slough, would like to pass on their Christmas and New Year greetings to everyone.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

**Bridget Barwick (16th)**  
**Zach Morris (17th)**



- Prayers for Chris Gothard
- Prayers for Spence and the family
- Prayers for Don and Ruth Mason
- Prayers for Jenny Sullivan who used to worship at St John's. She has finished her treatment and waiting for the results of her PET scan.

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



**Church Diary**

<b>Sun 15th</b>	10.30 am	Holy Communion (sung)
<b>Mon 16th</b>	9am 10am-12pm 1-3pm	Morning Prayer English Class Monday Monsters
<b>Tues 17th</b>	12-2pm	Jacket Potato Club
<b>Weds 18th</b>	1.30-3.30 6-9pm	Oasis Cubs & Scouts
<b>Fri 19th</b>	9am	Morning Prayer
<b>Thurs 19th</b>	10.45 am 11.15 am	Holy Communion (Cafe) Coffee morning
<b>Sun 22nd</b>	10.30 am 1-5pm	Holy Communion (sung) Contact Centre

**Small Groups**

Oasis (Bridget Barwick).....	966 9735	Wed 1.30pm
Bill & Chris Gothard (Crofts) .....	966 3511	Thurs 8 pm
Jeremy and Rachel Thake ..	987 1288	Thurs 8.30 pm
Judith Lawrence .....	954 1332	Thurs 7.30 pm

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**15th January 2017**



**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.**

15th January—Marian Harwood & friends  
22nd January—Oasis group

The link person from the Welcome Team today is  
Marian Harwood