



Holy Communion

Collect for Sunday

Almighty and eternal God,
 you have kindled the flame of love
 in the hearts of the saints:
 grant to us the same faith and power of love,
 that, as we rejoice in their triumphs,
 we may be sustained by their example and
 fellowship;
 through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
 grant this for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
 to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,
 be the kingdom, the power and the glory,
 for ever and ever.

Gospel - Luke 14:15-24

(page 98 of NT in bibles)

Read by Ann Francis

Eucharist presided by Revd Gary Collins
Prayers led by the children

Hymns for Today

For all the saints
 How great is our God
 Celebrate
Living waters
Come Lord Jesus
 Jubilate

*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.*

Tradecraft Christmas Sale

After church today!

Enjoy the opportunity to see some beautiful
 handmade goods and browse for some special
 Christmas presents

Church Lunch

Church Lunch today—please stay if you are able

The church lunch on 7 October raised £177 and this is
 being donated to Readifood, Reading's Food Bank
 charity (for which Alison Peyton works). Many thanks
 to all who contributed to this sum. Further
 information available at readifood.org.uk.

Piano

(Almost) free to a good home!

You may have noticed the generous gift of a new
 Cramer piano to St John and St Stephen's from
 Michael and Sheila Aris. This piano is currently
 acclimatising to St John's and will be tuned and
 installed as our main church piano from mid-
 November. The current church piano will move into
 the school, and the piano that is currently in the small
 school hall will no longer be needed and will be free to a
 good home - you would just need to pay the costs of
 removal. This piano is not in a great state of repair
 but is still playable. If anyone would be interested in
 having this piano, then please speak to one of the
 churchwardens.

Children & Young People

Today is All-Age Communion - it's our chance to
 celebrate together with the children of our
 community. The children are invited to collect
 together in the foyer as they arrive for the service.
 They will then be led in together holding the stole, to
 sit with their families at the front of Church.

Free Bibles!

We are giving away some of our more 'used' bibles—
 if you would like one for personal use, please help
 yourself to the selection in the Café.

The Children's Fire

Continuing the 'St John and Stephen's hosts...' series,
 we are pleased to welcome Outrider Anthems talk
 from Mac Marcartney '**The Children's Fire**'.
 Mac was a big hit in last year's 'Festival of the Dark'
 and we are pleased to welcome him to our church.
 27th November . 7.30-9.30

Future Dates for the Diary

Remembrance Sunday - 11th November

Evening Carol Service—16th December

Visit from Bishop Andrew—23rd December

Birthdays


Tilly Reeve (4th)
Rudi Kelly, Chloe White & Mary Chambers
(7th)
Rosetta Jamfi & Jewel Sabu (8th)
Mark Laynesmith (9th)

Prayers

- Prayers for John Lawrence, son of Judith. John has started cancer treatment
- Prayers for baby Lathika
- Prayers for Euphrazia who is mourning following the loss of her Father
- Prayers for Jan Jackson as she continues with her treatment.
- Prayers for Leslie & June Russell.

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


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Church Diary

Sun 4th	10.30am	All Age Communion <i>Followed by Tradecraft Christmas Sale & Church Lunch</i>
Mon 5th	10-12pm 1-3pm	English Class Monday Monsters
Tues 6th	9.45am 12-2pm	Fireside Jacket Potato Club
Weds 7th	1.30-3.30pm 6-9pm	Oasis Cubs & Scouts
Thurs 8th	10.45am 11.15am	Holy Communion (Café) Coffee morning
Fri 9th	9am	Morning Prayer
Sun 11th	10.30am 2-5pm	Holy Communion (sung) Contact Centre

Small Groups

Oasis (Bridget Barwick)	966 9735	Wed 1.30pm
Richard & Rosemary Croft	926 0672	Thurs 8.00 pm
Jeremy & Rachel Thake	987 1288	Thurs 8.00 pm
Judith Lawrence	954 1332	Thurs 7.30 pm

You are welcome to join - please speak to contact/leader

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On extended leave

Curate: **Rev'd Gary Collins**
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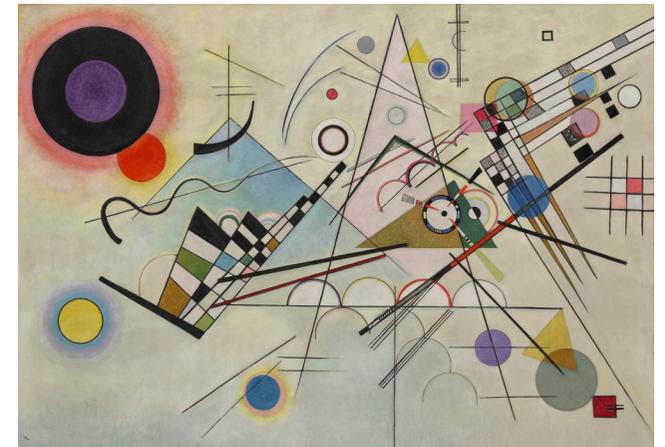
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All Age Eucharist – The Banquet!
First Sunday of Kingdom Season
4th November 2018



WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH.

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.

4th November—Peter & Nancy Crooks
11th November—Marian Harwood & Friends

Welcome Team leader **Ian Maynard**
On-duty Warden today is **Ian Maynard**

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