

SUNDAY 29 JUNE, TRINITY 2

8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion
4pm Choral Evensong – please note the earlier time
– All welcome!

We welcome The Revd Sarah Atkins, Dean of Chapel at Magdalene College, who is leading our services today.

COLLECT

Faithful Creator,
whose mercy never fails:
deepen our faithfulness to you
and to your living word,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

READINGS (*in pew bibles*)

NT Galatians 5. 1, 13-25 (p. 203-204)
NT Luke 9. 51-end (p. 75)

A PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

Loving God, we thank you for your compassion and mercy, especially for those who are hurting or struggling. We ask for your guidance in the coming days, helping us to be instruments of your peace and love in our communities and beyond. We pray for a peaceful resolution to conflicts around the world, and for those suffering from the consequences of conflict, especially children. We pray for the healing and restoration of those who have been harmed, especially victims of abuse, and for the church to be a place of genuine solidarity and justice. We pray for those who volunteer their time to share your love with others. We praise you for your faithfulness and your unwavering love for us. We pray for your blessing on our homes and families, that they may be united in love and faith. Amen.

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY 6 JULY, TRINITY 3

8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am All Age Holy Communion

We welcome The Revd Sarah Atkins, Dean of Chapel at Magdalene College, who is leading our services.

CONTACTS

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Revd Mandy is on Sabbatical until the beginning of August. Please email the church office with general enquiries.

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CHURCH OFFICE – OPENING TIMES

9am-1pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday
Emma's email address is: admin@trumpington.church

Please note Emma is on leave until 14 July, and Edmund until 9 July, in their absence please contact Sheila.

If you want to put a note in the pewsheets, please contact Sheila Betts, no later than 9am Wednesday if the note is intended for the forthcoming Sunday. Thank you.

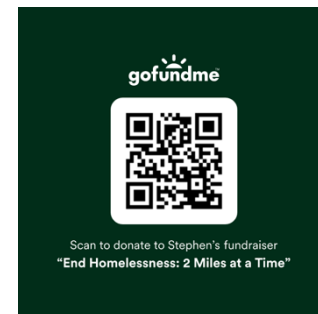
NOTICES

SAVE THE DATE – END OF TERM PARTY

Edmund will be hosting a BYO picnic party with his popular steam train rides on Sunday 20 July from about 12.30pm. Details to follow.

WALKING FOR CENTREPOINT

Over the past weeks Stephen Gill has been walking 2 miles every day to raise money for Centrepoint, a homeless charity for young people. This week he reached 100 miles! His aim is to raise £2,000, and if you would like to help you can find his gofund.me page by searching for 'Stephen Gill' or scanning this QR-code:



BIBLE STUDY

Please contact one of the Churchwardens if you would like to join a group (Tuesday evening online or Wednesday evening in person) and they will put you in touch with the group leader.

JUNIOR CHURCH FAMILIES' SUMMER CAMP

4-6 July at the Jarman Centre, Newmarket

Cost: £9 per person per night towards hire of the campsite. Please contact a member of Junior Church team or the church office for more information.

GIVING

If you would like to make a donation in support of the life and ministry of our church, you can:

- Leave a cash donation in the plate provided
- Make a contactless donation using the GoodBox
- Use a yellow envelope. If you pay tax we can claim the Gift Aid, but only if you fill out your details.
- Please speak to Edmund about making a regular electronic gift and the best way to do this.

Everything helps – thank you!

COMMUNITY NOTICES

FAIRBITE FOOD CLUB, TRUMPINGTON PAVILION

Volunteers are needed at various times on Thursdays, Fridays and the new Tuesday teatime sessions. If you can help or want to know more please contact Jenny Bright on 07772 538628 or email info@ccfb.org.uk.

Called to freedom

Caroline Hodgson *reflects on* Galatians 5:1. 13-25

Paul, in this famous passage about the fruit of the Spirit, wrestles with the notion of true freedom. He sees it in binary terms – the flesh on the one hand, the Spirit on the other. We might balk at this, or even find it unpalatable. Perhaps that's because we tend to think that the denial and suppression of human physicality, particularly sexuality, has resulted in some terrible cases of abuse.

But that isn't to say that this passage has nothing to say to us, and it's interesting to think about Paul's definition of freedom. Because we persist, don't we, in equating freedom with doing what we like? Like a toddler having a tantrum we push the boundaries, screaming and stamping our feet, insisting that we know what we want. But who is freer – the smoker who's "gasping" for a cigarette, chained to their habit, or the non-smoker, who's free from the addiction that costs the other so dearly in terms of both health and money? It's as though we're trying to prove we're invincible and immortal, with bottomless bank accounts. But all we're really doing is playing little power games – with ourselves, one another, our health, our finances, and even life itself.

Books of the Old Testament *Haggai*

by Georgina Byrne

What does it say about the faith of a nation when its primary place of worship is in disrepair? This is the question underlying the short book of Haggai. The answer is a call to rebuild and restore. Large numbers of the population had been taken from Judah into exile in Babylon in 597 and 586 BC. Nearly fifty years later, King Cyrus allowed them to return home. It seems that this return was not the glorious triumph they'd hoped. The people set about rebuilding, but they were not flourishing.

"You have sown much," Haggai says, "... but you never have your fill." Understandably, perhaps, they've put their energies into their homes, but God's house stands in ruins. As long as God's house is dishonoured, Haggai says, harvests will be poor and prosperity elusive.

The suggestion that a splendid temple will lead to national prosperity might trouble us, but Haggai is really reminding his hearers to honour God's presence in their midst. Their true comfort will be found in faithfulness to the covenant. ☺



Hopefully we have a healthily holistic view of our selves, perceiving our physicality, as well as our spirituality, as God-given. We may quibble with one aspect of Paul's message, but at heart it is as true as ever – we are "called to freedom" and "Christ has set us free". ☺

Lord, sometimes I need to grow up and stop playing games. Show me your way of true freedom, I pray, and make me fruitful in the Spirit. To the glory of your name. Amen.

International Day of the Tropics

by Caroline Hodgson

International Day of the Tropics has been marked on this day each year since 2016, to raise awareness of the challenges faced by tropical nations and to celebrate the area that forms a "belt" around the earth's midriff.

Comprised of parts of North and South America, Africa, Asia and Australia, the tropical zone includes around thirty-six per cent of the earth's land mass and is home to roughly forty per cent of the world's population.

The tropical zone is astonishingly rich and diverse in

terms of biodiversity, culture and heritage. Yet climate change, deforestation, intensive logging and farming, urbanisation, demographic changes, limited natural resources, poverty and malnutrition threaten it. It's particularly alarming that some of the region's smaller islands, such as the Maldives, Fiji and the Solomon Islands, are already affected by rising sea levels.

Why not take a moment, in your prayers today, to remember this wonderful part of God's creation and those who live there. ☺

“If prayer stands as the place where God and human beings meet, then I must learn about prayer.”

Philip Yancey (born 1949), author