



SIGNPOST

13 August 2017

TRINITY 9

God our Rescuer

WELCOME

Signpost is the weekly newsletter for
St George's, Tuffley with
St Margaret's, Whaddon

Please take a moment to introduce yourself to our Vicar Bruce or one of our Churchwardens, (Mike or Sylvia E at St George's) (Malcolm or Mike at St Margaret's) or the stewards. Please join us for coffee in the small hall after the 10.30am service. Both churches are fitted with an inductive loop; to hear the service better, those with hearing aids should switch them to the appropriate setting.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

9.00am	PARISH COMMUNION at St Margaret's
10.30am	PARISH COMMUNION at St George's
	Deacon Jonathan
	Chalice Jonathan / Roger
	Servers Roger / Sylvia C
	Intercessions Rosie
	Readers Pat / Dot
	Sides Angela / David
	Coffee Rosie / Stella

PRAYER FOR TODAY:

Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day,
and make her holy, strong and faithful,
for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

READINGS AT THE COMMUNION - Year A

Please see insert sheet

**We welcome James as our organist
at the 10.30am service**

Hymns at 10.30am

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After the intercessions, the choir will sing the anthem:
"Lead me Lord", by Samuel Wesley

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Holy Father,
who gathered us here around the table of your Son
to share this meal with the whole household of God:
in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your
peace, gather people of every race and language to share in
the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

IN MEMORIAM:-

Lorraine Morgan, Margaret Emery, Joseph Blewitt,
Richard Parsons RIP

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:-

Diana Bucza, Mary Iles, Jason Clark, Joan Evans,
Tyson Peglar, Samuel Edwards, Gary Hickford,
Bert Phelps, Frederick Shipp, Ian Smith,
Beatrice Martin, Freda Turner, David Brownjohn,
Esme Ashton, Agatha Glas.

BIRTHDAYS:-

Carl Wilson 16th, Darrell Stevens special birthday 20th,
also remembering our friend Peter Hutson who would have
celebrated a special birthday on 20th.

VERSE FOR THE WEEK:-

Jesus said 'take heart, it is I; don't be afraid'
(*Matthew 14:27*)

THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR:-

- the new Coffee Pot Kids venture run by Helen on a Tuesday morning during the school holidays
- students who will receive their A Level results this week; those who will have to make decisions about their next steps
- families who have very little to live on – for secure jobs with a decent wage, and practical support through difficult times

Please continue asking God for a new music leader at St George's who will embrace all that is good and develop our worship in ways that connect with new as well as current worshippers.

OUR PIONEERING PRAYER:-

Lord help us grow more compassionate in serving our community, more confident in sharing the good news of Jesus, and more creative in reaching out to new people, in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen

THANKS...

...to all who contribute to Foodbank. Sadly, more food is needed to cover summer holidays for families in temporary need. Do put your contributions into the box at back of St George's Church which is open most weekday mornings.

AWESOME AUGUST!

Please sign up – or just turn up! Details at back of church. This is also a great opportunity to explore, for those who may be interested in confirmation.

SONGS OF PRAISE AT DUKE OF BEAUFORT COURT,

This Tuesday at 2.30pm – followed by strawberry tea! Please sign up at back of church today; speak with Helen for more details.

A THANK YOU...

...from the British Red Cross for St George's generous donation of £102.59 towards their London Fire Relief Fund.

HELEN OUR PIONEER...

...is still wanting to get to know everyone and will welcome any invites for coffee! Tel: 07729 615 993.

ANGIE'S COMMUNITY CHOIR...

...will be singing in St George's Church this Saturday 19 August at 7.30pm; tickets are just £5.00 each and are available now from Darrell and Glenda. There will be a bar and a raffle too. Proceeds from the concert will be split between the James Hopkins Trust, St George's Church and Angie's Community Choir.

TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC:-

Sunday, 20 August at 3.00pm

Come and join us in St George's Church gardens there will be fun and games for all ages. Please bring your own picnic; soft drinks can be provided; all are welcome but don't forget to bring your Teddy Bear.

DIARY DATES: AUGUST

Wed 23 **Awesome August (3) at 3.00pm - Vicarage**

Thu 24 **Awesome August (3) at 7.00pm – SL**

Wed 30 **Awesome August (4) at 3.00pm – Vicarage**
Finance meeting – 7.30pm Parish Office

Thu 31 **Awesome August (4) at 7.00pm - SL**

SEPTEMBER

Fri 1 Gardening Club Show preparation

Sat 2 Gardening Club Show – to be opened at 2.00pm
by Father Gerry Walsh of English Martyrs Church

Tue 5 **St Margaret's PCC – 7.30pm – V**

Wed 6 **St George's PCC – 7.30pm – V**

Thu 7 **Singing Group practice– 7.00pm - church**
Railway Society – 7.30pm – 12 Ryelands

Fri 8 Gardening Club- 7.30pm – MH

Sat 9 Historic Churches Ride & Stride

Messy church – Jesus choosing disciples

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Administration office is open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 9.00am – 12.00noon.

PLEASE KEEP YOUR BAGS WITH YOU AT ALL TIMES IN CHURCH

TODAY – September / October Crossroads deadline

	Coffee / Prize Draw (tickets on sale but the draw will take place at the afternoon tea) after the 10.30am service
11.45am	Messy church planning meeting – LC
4.30pm	Summer Tea with scones & cream

MONDAY 14 St G's Care & Cleaning month

	NO Aphasia-Now – SH & SL
	Coffee Pot set up

TUESDAY 15

9.00am	Coffee Pot – all welcome – Jill's team – MH
9.30am	Parish Communion at St George's
10.30am	Crematorium funeral for the late Richard Keith Parsons RIP
2.30pm	Songs of Praise & Strawberry Tea at Duke of Beaufort Court

WEDNESDAY 16

3.00pm	Awesome August (2) – V
3.30pm	Slimming World also 5.30pm & 7.30pm - MH
7.30pm	Taize Service at the Cathedral – see poster on notice board

THURSDAY 17

8.30am	Morning Prayer at St G's – all welcome
10.30am	Parish Communion at St Margaret's
10.30am	NO Day Centre – SH & SL
11.30am	Open the Book teams meeting - V
	No Awesome August this evening

FRIDAY 18

	NO Entertainers
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SATURDAY 19

7.30pm	Angie's Community Choir in St George's Church See note on page 2
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SUNDAY 20 – Darrell's special birthday

	Coffee after the 10.30am service
3.00pm	Teddy Bear's Picnic in church gardens

SUNDAY 20 – Trinity 10

10.30am	PARISH COMMUNION at St George's
	Deacon Susan
	Chalice Susan / Dot
	Servers Dot / Mark
	Intercessions Sylvia C
	Readers David / Rosie
	Sides Brenda / Roger
	Coffee Dianne / Anne
12.30pm	BAPTISM at St George's
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Readings at the Communion – Year A

Genesis 45:1-15;
Psalm 133;
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32;
Matthew 15:21-28

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 *Joseph is sold to Egyptian traders*

1 Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan.

2 This is the story of the family of Jacob. Jacob's son Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father.

3 Now Jacob loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves.

4 But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

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12 Now Jacob's brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem.

13 And Jacob said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am."

14 So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem,

15 and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?"

16 "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock."

17 The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan.

18 They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him.

19 They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer.

20 Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams."

21 But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life."

22 Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him"—that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father.

23 So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore;

24 and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

25 Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt.

26 Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood?"

27 Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed.

28 When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

Prayer: Lord when life treats us unfairly, help us never to act out of jealousy. Amen

Romans 10 5-15 *Obeying the Good News*

5 Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.”

6 But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’ (that is, to bring Christ down)

7 “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’ (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).

8 But what does it say? “The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim);

9 because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

10 For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved.

11 The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.”

12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him.

13 For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

14 But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him?

15 And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

16 But not all have obeyed the good news; for Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed our message?”

Prayer: Thank you Lord for sending us all to bring good the news of salvation. Amen

Matthew 14 22-33 *Jesus rescues from the storm*

22 Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side of the lake, while he dismissed the crowds.

23 And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone,

24 but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them.

25 And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea.

26 But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear.

27 But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.”

28 Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.”

29 He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus.

30 But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!”

31 Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?”

32 When they got into the boat, the wind ceased.

33 And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

Prayer: Lord help us never to be afraid of you, and always to be in awe of your power and love. Amen

Chorus: *Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in his wonderful face;
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.*