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– in all we do



## September 26th News and Worship

### Welcome

After last week's packed edition, this week's news and worship has gone on a diet! So, don't forget to send in *news and information* on Church and community events and activities, so no one misses out.

### Vicar's Thoughts

One of the things we've discovered over the last couple of weeks is that operating the new streaming deck and sound system is a bit like learning to drive - some bits are straight forward and others have to be learnt before they become second nature. The installation engineers wisely said "use it for several weeks to see where the mistakes and operating issues arise and then we'll come back and do additional training." Whenever there are kangaroo jumps or unexpected stops it's evidence of that learning taking place.

I wonder if that's true also for the Christian life? There are some bits of being Christian that are straightforward: they align with our character, interests, personality and values. There are other bits of the Christian life, often where they are contrary to our natural nature and desires, where it's only through Prayer and application that they will become second nature. If Jesus was to offer you some additional training... where might it be helpful?

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, gentleness, faithfulness and self control. As learner drivers have to put 'L' plates on the car I wonder if, as Christians, we should have little badges that remind everyone that we are learners on the Christian Journey and still have kangaroo jumps, sudden stops or occasional stalls. As we recognise the truth that we are all 'learner Christians' we may discover how high, deep and wide is the amazing grace of God to us and to others.

## Church Family News

### Pram Service

Pram Service is due to begin again on 14th October at 10.15am in Church.

There will be singing and interactive story telling, shakers and lots of fun to be had as we learn together about God's story and his love in Jesus. The pandemic has meant that our little-est worshippers are now either grown up enough to be in school or cannot remember being in church for their own special service. If you have small children, know someone with pre-school little ones, or have been in Pram Service over its many years - please spread the word.

For more information contact [Beverley.Angier@btinternet.com](mailto:Beverley.Angier@btinternet.com) or call the Parish Office.



### Welcome the Pilgrims

Welcome the Pilgrims: a group of Christian walkers passionate about saving the planet are giving up their time and energy to walk from London to Glasgow in time for the COP26 summit in November. Next week they are passing through Macclesfield and Prestbury, and on Tuesday evening, 28th September, at St Michael's Church in Macclesfield there is a chance to meet them from 8pm in an informal session. On Wednesday 29th there will be prayers at St Michael's at 9am before they set off to walk to Cheadle, and their walk passes through Prestbury. More information is here: <https://caminotocop.com/> Their route for Wednesday 29th can be found here: <https://www.plotaroute.com/route/1580764>

Please do think about either coming to meet them on Tuesday evening, or joining them for a stretch of the walk on Wednesday, and please include them in your prayers. It is a wonderful endeavour.

Kate

### Red Prayer Bowl and prayer for others

Over the last 18 months the red prayer bowl has been kept at the Vicarage and the names of those for whom prayer has been requested have been placed inside, and prayed for by the Ministry Team on a Sunday evening at 8pm. This has been treasured by many and there have been numerous answers to prayer.

At the beginning of September the bowl was brought into Church by members of the Ministry Team and placed on the altar in the Tytherington Chapel, entrusting all those who had asked for prayer into God's care.

If you would like prayer, or know someone who would, the Norman Chapel is now open on a Sunday from around 10am until 4pm for private prayer. Prayers may be said in the beautiful, quiet space and/or written onto cards there. These prayers are gathered each Sunday, taken into Church and prayed for during the 4.30pm Service.





Please feel free to come, be still and pray as you wish or light a candle after worship in Church - God always listens.

## Sunflowers

Thank you to everyone who has sent in more pictures of the sunflowers they planted at Wild Church. Please keep sending them in and we will include them in the week before Harvest's newsletter.

## This Week's Worship

**Sunday 8.30am** Holy Communion, St Peter's  
**Sunday 10.00am** Holy Communion, CoRe  
**Sunday 10.30am** Baptism, St Peter's  
**Sunday 4.30pm** Choral Evensong, St Peter's  
**Sunday 7.00pm** Sanctuary Agape, St Peter's Rooms

**Wednesday 10.30am** Holy Communion, St Peter's

## This Week's Diary

The Church Office is open from Monday to Friday 9.00am to 12noon

### Tuesdays

9.00am **Morning Prayer** Zoom Code 503 346 024, Password 793684

### Wednesday

10.30am **Holy Communion**, St Peter's

### Thursday

9.00am **Morning Prayer**, Zoom Code 859 930 994

10.30am **Holy Dusters**, St Peter's

3.00pm **Voice children's choir** St Peter's Rooms

### Fridays

7.30pm **Choir practice**

## Looking Ahead

**Young Church** October 3rd

**Harvest Festival** October 10th

# Worship Resources

## Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity Worship Services for Sunday 26th September

	Service Leader	Preacher	Lesson Readers	Intercessor
<b>Holy Communion</b> 8.30am St Peter's	Patrick	Patrick	Chris	Patrick
<b>Holy Communion</b> 10.00am CoRe	Avril	Avril	Andrea	Fiona
<b>Baptism</b> 10.30am St Peter's	Steve	Patrick	Guy Julie F	Patrick
<b>Sung Evensong</b> 4.30pm St Peter's	Simon	Avril	Sheila Jean H	Avril
<b>Sanctuary Agape</b> 7.00pm St Peter's Rooms		Patrick		

### Sunday 26th September Bible Readings

For use with *Worship at Home* booklet and reflection.

**James 5:13-end**

**Mark 9: 38-end**

**Psalm 124**

### Collects for The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God,  
you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:  
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,  
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city  
where we shall see you face to face;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

(or)

Gracious God,  
you call us to fullness of life:  
deliver us from unbelief  
and banish our anxieties  
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

## Prayers

### Prayer focus this week

The focus this week is on St John's, Adlington: giving thanks for all the good things that are happening there through the coffee shop, praying for the team of volunteers and helpers and all who have stopped for refreshment and conversations. As we move into Autumn we pray for upcoming special services for Harvest, Remembrance and Christmas to draw new people into worship and others back who haven't worshipped for many years.

### Those who have asked for prayer

Ian Northcott  
Sheila Griffiths  
Margaret Brown  
Tony Mackenzie  
Alan Hayward  
Graham Lewis  
Diane Pappadopalous

### Those who have died

Frank Griffiths  
Sarah Harding

