

St Nicolas Church, Cranleigh

Bible Sunday

Sunday 29th October 2023

THIS WEEK:

Sunday 29th October (Bible Sunday)

8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (CW)

(Bake for Bibles Stall after the Service – see below)

11.30am: Discovery

Monday 30th October

10am: Sewing group in Church Rooms - all welcome!

Tuesday 31st October

12noon: Holy Communion (BCP)

Wednesday 1st November

10am: Toddler Praise (at the Methodist Church)

11.30am: Funeral of Tom Tomlinson

Thursday 2nd November

10am: Time for Prayer

Friday 3rd November

10am: Little Nic's Toddlers (in church rooms)

Sunday 5th November

8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

10am: All Age Worship

12noon: Baptism

3pm: All Souls Service of Commemoration

6pm: Said Communion with Hymns

COLLECT:

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

or

Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord.

FIRST READING: Colossians 3.12-17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 24.30-35

Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see "the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven" with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds,

from one end of heaven to the other.

'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

WEEKLY PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Church and Christian Ministry:

- For the work of the Bible Society, and particularly for people in China, Ukraine, and Russia who we hope to provide with Bibles through our Bake for Bibles sale
- In the Anglican cycle of Prayer The Anglican Church of Melanesia
- In the Diocese for the Staff of Diocesan Church House, Guildford
- In the Parish for Nicola, our Church Administrator

National and World Affairs:.

- For the way we care for God's creation
- For the people of Israel and Palestine, Ukraine and Russia
- For the leaders of the nations that they may have wisdom and integrity during these difficult times

Community and Family:

- For those who live in Strudwicks Field and Killicks
- For the charity Happy Child International

The Sick and those in Need:

- Jane and Frank Bloss, Caroline, Pam Cheeseman, Claire Curry, Dan, Stella Goldsmith, Tricia Hislop, Lottie Lack, Louise, Peter Poole, Sheila Smith, Diana Trent
- (And for those with long-term prayer needs): Baby Atticus and his
 parents Clare and Alex, Peggy Davis, James Goudie, Jane, Kirsty, Amy
 Loveless, Sheila McSorley, Mo, Libby O'Brien, Jean Peachey, Brian
 Pettyfer, Ron Reynolds, Peggy Ringshall, Martin Root, Steff Shepherd,
 Pam Standen, Dolores Spurgeon, Bert Steed, Win Thurman, Henry Young

The Departed:

 All we have known and loved, who have left us through the years, and especially at this time: Jordan Golesworthy, Patricia Rodford, Maureen Savage, Tom Tomlinson, Trevor Warrington, Rita Woodley

WEEKLY NOTICES:

OUR NEW CHURCH WEBSITE We are pleased to be launching our new website on Wednesday 1st November (technology permitting!). If you previously signed up on our old website (provided by hubb.church) as a member, then this will cease to be active on 31st October. In the meantime, we are aware that some people have been having trouble accessing our old website, and we apologise for this!

is planned to begin on 9th November. There will be no charge on Sundays and Bank Holidays. For volunteers and people attending weekday services, please send your car registration number as soon as possible to nicola@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk to apply for exemption from charges. Pick up a letter from the back of church for further details, or see the email from Nicola dated 22nd September.

<u>CONFIRMATION AND ADULT BAPTISM</u> We are currently putting together groups for both adults and young people who might be interested in making a commitment to the life of the church through Baptism or Confirmation. Please talk to the Rector or to Erik if you are interested in this.

CRANLEIGH METHODIST CHURCH Ploughmans Lunches with Puddings: Wednesday 8th November 12-1pm. £5 in aid of Church funds.

ALL SOULS SERVICE OF COMMEMORATION will take place on Sunday 5th November at 3pm. During the service we will read out the names of all those whose funerals we have conducted in the last two years. If you would like the names of any other loved ones read out in the service, please email them to the Church Office: nicola@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk, or call 01483 273620, or add them to the list at the back of Church, before midday on Friday 3rd November.

ST NICOLAS CYCLE OF PRAYER leaflets are now available to pick up from the back of church. Appreciative thanks to Brian Bagot for all his hard work in putting these together.

LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF CRANLEIGH VILLAGE HOSPITAL CHRISTMAS

CARDS You may have read in this month's Cranleigh magazine how the League of Friends continues to support the health and well being of the people in the village in many ways. You may even have visited the Radiography department which they paid for or benefited from some of the equipment which they have helped to fund for the Cranleigh Medical Practice. Among other things they support Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice at Home. In recent years Jill Wood has been selling their charity Christmas cards and in continuation of her good work they will be available again this year. Roy has kindly agreed that cards may be sold after church services. A pack of 10 cards is only £3.

Sandra Keeping

URGENT HELP for UKRAINE appeal by Memory Lane.

If you have any unused *3yr in date* Medicines or First Aid Dressings these are much needed in Ukraine. Please leave these in the Church Office or just telephone 01483 274398 to catch the next shipment.

<u>MEMORY LANE</u> On Monday 6th November guests of Memory Lane will be able to relax and be comforted by 'Winter' the PATdog coming with Sarah Pattenden from The Bridgette Trust.

Memory Lane has a variable and interesting programme each month and is going from strength to strength, so proving the need and appreciation from people who are experiencing dementia and their carer partners. Memory Lane meets at 2.15pm on the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month welcoming newcomers to every meeting.

TRACKERS our new teaching group for primary age school children is called Trackers. Our Tracker sessions will be during the 10am service on the third Sunday of the month and will be led by a trained member of our team. So if you know a young person who is keen to follow Jesus on the track of faith then bring them along!

IT SUPPORT A volunteer is needed to assist with the maintenance of our IT networks and device security. Knowledge of Microsoft 365 admin and Windows and preparedness to learn. Maintenance and operation of the AV system. Similarly with the lighting system and third-party fund-raising applications. Contact Mike Roberts, mike@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk for initial conversation.

SEWING GROUP Join us for fun and friendship every Monday morning in St Andrews room 10am-12noon. No previous experience of sewing or knitting is needed so do come along and have a go, or just come along and enjoy a warm drink and good company! Everyone is welcome.

MISSED A SERVICE? Visit our <u>YouTube page</u> to view the entire back catalogue of live-streamed services!



MOTHERS UNION: We have a thriving Mothers' Union which meets on the second Wednesday of each month. Anyone is most welcome – contact Jane Etherington on 01483 274319 / etheringtonjane@yahoo.co.uk for more information



DONATIONS: Don't forget you can always make an online donation in support of church funds by visiting the <u>website</u>, clicking on the red button or scanning the QR code.



UKRAINIAN SHOEBOX APPEAL 2023



Help put smiles on the faces of deprived or disabled children again this Christmas.

So, please FILL A SHOEBOX



and bring it, Christmas-wrapped, to

Celebration Cakes on 13th -16th November or

Fountain Square on Thursday 16th Nov (am) (Seek 'Rotary Car')

Shoeboxes can also be left in the Church office on 6th, 8th and 10th November

A leaflet with full gifting details, and costs, can be obtained from the back of church and the church office.





KEEP IN TOUCH:

Rector - Revd Canon Roy Woodhams (Day off: Monday)

Tel: 01483 800655. Email: roy@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk

Curate - Revd Erik Heemskerk (Day off: Monday)

Tel: 07368 871589. Email: erik@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk

Associate Minister (Part Time) - Revd Rutton Viccajee

(Works Wednesday, Friday, Sunday, but

currently also working as Minister in Charge of Dunsfold and Hascombe)

Tel: 01252 910212. Email: rutton@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk

Administrator - Nicola Craven-Smith

(Works Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9.30-2.30)

Tel: 01483 273620. Email: nicola@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk

Ministry to Young People and Families

(All enquiries should be routed via the Church Office for the time being)

Discovery Church – Claire Oxborough

Tel: 01483 277359. Email: claireoxborough@hotmail.com

Safeguarding Officer – Brian Boxall

Tel: 01483 277069. Email: brian.boxall@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk

Diocesan Safeguarding Officer – Jackie Broadfoot

Tel: 07918 559387. Email: jackie.broadfoot@cofeguildford.org.uk

Church Website: www.stnicolascranleigh.org.uk