

## Sunday Morning Worship

8.00am to 1pm

**"Come when you can & GO when you like"**

8.00	Morning Prayer
8.30	Traditional Communion
9.00	Refreshments
9.30	Songs of Praise
10.00	Welcome, Worship, Word
10.30	Communion <a href="http://www.com">www.com</a>
11.00	Refreshments
11.30	All Age Worship
12.00	All Age Communion
12.30	Food & Friendship

## St John's Church, Hillingdon

# The Link

## Sunday 11th June 2017

### Sunday Mornings for Children & Youth

*Babies, children & youth are very welcome at any time. There is a toddler area for under 3's. At 11.30am and 12pm children take a very active part in worship, prayers and communion every week.*

10am Pop Up Band! TODAY! Wake Up & Shake Up with the Pop Up Band! Worship involving children who join in with singing and/or instruments. No experience needed.

9.45am Youth Breakfast TODAY in Youth Room For youth of secondary school age, meet in youth room up the ramp & turn left. Good food, drinks, discussion on a theme, fun, understanding the Bible, exploring the faith, encouragement for living, fun leaders!

### Prayer

Prayer ministry is available in the Prayer Chapel during Communion in the 10.30 slot and at other times by arrangement - please ask.

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### Welcome

Welcome to St John's, especially if this is your first visit here. We hope that you enjoy worshipping with us. Our worship programme is outlined on the back of this sheet.

### Today's Theme

**Trinity Sunday– Foundations**

### Today's Readings

#### Genesis 18:1-12

Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. But she had an Egyptian slave named Hagar; so she said to Abram, 'The LORD has kept me from having children. Go, sleep with my slave; perhaps I can build a family through her.' Abram agreed to what Sarai said. So after Abram had been living in Canaan ten years, Sarai his wife took her Egyptian slave Hagar and gave her to her husband to be his wife. He slept with Hagar, and she conceived. When she knew she was pregnant, she began to despise her mistress. Then Sarai said to Abram, 'You are responsible for the wrong I am suffering. I put my slave in your arms, and now that she knows she is pregnant, she despises me. May the LORD judge between you and me.' 'Your slave is in your hands,' Abram said. 'Do with her whatever you think best.' Then Sarai ill-treated Hagar; so she fled from her. The angel of the LORD found Hagar near a spring in the desert; it was the spring that is beside the road to Shur. And he said, 'Hagar, slave of Sarai, where have you come from, and where are you going?' 'I'm running away from my mistress Sarai,' she answered. Then the angel of the LORD told her, 'Go back to your mistress and submit to her.' The angel added, 'I will increase your descendants so much that they will be too numerous to count.' The angel of the LORD also said to her: 'You are now pregnant and you will give birth to a son. You shall name him Ishmael, for the LORD has heard of your misery. He will be a wild donkey of a man; his hand will be against everyone and everyone's hand against him, and he will live in hostility towards all his brothers.' She gave this name to the LORD who spoke to her: 'You are the God who sees me,' for she said, 'I have now seen the One who sees me.' That is why the well was called Beer Lahai Roi; it is still there, between Kadesh and Bered. So Hagar bore Abram a son, and Abram gave the name Ishmael to the son she had borne. Abram was eighty-six years old when Hagar bore him Ishmael.

#### Exodus 16:1-18

The whole Israelite community set out from Elim and came to the Desert of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had come out of Egypt. In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The Israelites said to them, 'If only we had died by the LORD's

hand in Egypt! There we sat round pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death.'

Then the LORD said to Moses, 'I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days.'

So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, 'In the evening you will know that it was the LORD who brought you out of Egypt, and in the morning you will see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?' Moses also said, 'You will know that it was the LORD when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the LORD.'

Then Moses told Aaron, 'Say to the entire Israelite community, "Come before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling."'

While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked towards the desert, and there was the glory of the LORD appearing in the cloud.

The LORD said to Moses, 'I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, "At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God."'

That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, 'What is it?' For they did not know what it was.

Moses said to them, 'It is the bread the LORD has given you to eat. This is what the LORD has commanded:

"Everyone is to gather as much as they need. Take an omer for each person you have in your tent."

The Israelites did as they were told; some gathered much, some little. And when they measured it by the omer, the one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little. Everyone had gathered just as much as they needed.

**Today's Conversation Question.** How does each member of the Trinity enable you to grow in faith - and also in the lives of those in the Bible?"

## For your prayers

Members of our church family who are unwell especially James Mullally

Richard Goodchild & Nicola Blackstock getting married here on Saturday

## Today

**Lesley & Julia are making the coffee today at 11am**

**Prayer Ministry** is available in the Prayer Chapel during Mid Morning Communion

**This evening at 7.30pm the LGBT Group meets in church** for any local Christians and those interested in Christianity, for people who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and their straight friends, for mutual support.

## Theme for June

This month's theme is A User's Guide to the Bible. The Bible is in itself a library of 66 books and, as you know, is split into two sections called the Old and New Testaments, with a 400 year gap (or so) between these testaments.

What are the sections and sub-sections of the testaments? What are the different genres to be found within the Bible? The months of June & July will give us an opportunity to look at this, and to illustrate sections of the Bible by looking at a specific passage from each genre. Each week, there will be a brief 'top-down' look and then look at a specific 'story', lives within the lives and context of the people in that era at that time.

This will be useful in either refreshing or strengthening our understanding of the Bible, and perhaps learning new things. The aim is to encourage everybody to have a Bible from which they can 'read, mark and inwardly digest' and to stimulate a significant increase in Bible reading and prayer!

## This Week

**Sunday** 8am-1pm Sunday Worship 7.30pm LGBT

**Monday** 7pm Bellringing 7.30pm Mandolin Monday

**Tuesday** 6.30pm Office Hour

**Wednesday** 12noon Words & Music 1.30pm Knitting 8pm Confirmation class

**Thursday** 9.30am Morning Prayer 10.30am Standing Committee meeting 6.30pm HYB (church hire) 8pm Music Group practise

**Friday** 10.30am Let's Go 12noon Jazz

**Saturday** 12noon-4pm Guitar lessons (Grundon Room) 1pm Wedding

## General News

### Growing in Faith & Confirmation Classes for Adults

What are the next steps in your faith? Do you want to be confirmed? Are you an adult preparing for baptism? Do you have questions about faith? If any of these apply to you, I am running a course especially for you! Wednesdays 8pm-9pm in church meeting room, (For those wishing Confirmation, Bishop Pete with us at St. John's on Sunday 3rd September.) If interested, please email the office or have a word with me. *Alan.*

**JustOne Saturday 8th July** 3-6pm (doors open 1.30pm). Just One Day. Just One Message. Just One Invitation. JustOne at Emirates Stadium is a one-day event. Bringing people together from all walks of life to celebrate the Christian faith and to give them an opportunity to hear the good news of the Gospel. Please consider inviting somebody to go with you. Tickets: upper tier £10- lower tier £5. Club level £25. more info at justone.co.uk. ***There is a sign up sheet at the back of church, please sign if you are planning to go. For more information, please speak to Keith Lunn***

## Eco News & Advice

**Used printer cartridges:** Recycle4Charity.co.uk. By registering with this organisation, you will be sent special freepost envelopes in which you can post your used cartridges and nominate your favourite charity to receive payment for them. Schools and places of work can sign up for a collection box.