

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 www.com
11.00	Refreshments
11.30	All Age Worship
12.00	All Age Communion
12.30	Food & Friendship

Sunday Mornings for Children & Youth

Today is an all-age interactive service and Youth Breakfast

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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Sunday 23rd July 2017

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

Poetry

Today's Readings

Revelation chapter 4

4 After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.'² At once I was in the Spirit, and there before me was a throne in heaven with someone sitting on it.³ And the one who sat there had the appearance of jasper and ruby. A rainbow that shone like an emerald encircled the throne.

⁴ Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and seated on them were twenty-four elders. They were dressed in white and had crowns of gold on their heads.

⁵ From the throne came flashes of lightning, rumblings and peals of thunder. In front of the throne, seven lamps were blazing. These are the seven spirits of God.⁶ Also in front of the throne there was what looked like a sea of glass, clear as crystal.

In the centre, round the throne, were four living creatures, and they were covered with eyes, in front and behind.

⁷ The first living creature was like a lion, the second was like an ox, the third had a face like a man, the fourth was like a flying eagle.⁸ Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all round, even under its wings. Day and night they never stop saying:

“Holy, holy, holy
is the Lord God Almighty,
who was, and is, and is to come.”

⁹ Whenever the living creatures give glory, honour and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever,¹⁰ the twenty-four elders fall down before him who sits on the throne and worship him who lives for ever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say:

¹¹ ‘You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honour and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they were created
and have their being.’

Revelation Chapter 21: 1-6

21 Then I saw 'a new heaven and a new earth for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea.'² I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband.

³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Look!

God's dwelling-place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. ⁴“He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death” or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.’

⁵ He who was seated on the throne said, ‘I am making everything new!’ Then he said, ‘Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.’

⁶ He said to me: ‘It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End.

Revelation chapter 20: 7-15

⁷ When the thousand years are over, Satan will be released from his prison ⁸ and will go out to deceive the nations in the four corners of the earth – Gog and Magog – and to gather them for battle. In number they are like the sand on the seashore. ⁹ They marched across the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of God's people, the city he loves. But fire came down from heaven and devoured them. ¹⁰ And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulphur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown. They will be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

Revelation chapter 22: 6-17

⁶ The angel said to me, ‘These words are trustworthy and true. The Lord, the God who inspires the prophets, sent his angel to show his servants the things that must soon take place.’

⁷ ‘Look, I am coming soon! Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy written in this scroll.’

⁸ I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I had heard and seen them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who had been showing them to me. ⁹ But he said to me, ‘Don't do that! I am a fellow servant with you and with your fellow prophets and with all who keep the words of this scroll. Worship God!’ ¹⁰ Then he told me, ‘Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this scroll, because the time is near. ¹¹ Let the one who does wrong continue to do wrong; let the vile person continue to be vile; let the one who does right continue to do right; and let the holy person continue to be holy.’

¹² ‘Look, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

¹⁴ ‘Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life and may go through the gates into the city. ¹⁵ Outside are the dogs, those who practise magic arts, the sexually immoral, the murderers, the idolaters and everyone who loves and practises falsehood.

¹⁶ ‘I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star.’

¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, ‘Come!’ And let the one who hears say, ‘Come!’ Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life.

Today's Conversation Question:

What did you understand from the Book of Revelation today, That you hadn't seen before?

For your prayers

The family and friends of Evelyn Tinsley who passed away on the 15th July. The Funeral will take place at St Johns on 2nd August at 1:15 pm.

Today

Coffee is served by Christine & Michelle

Prayer Ministry is available in the Prayer Chapel during mid morning communion

Theme for July

We are continuing through the rest of July with the theme of A User's Guide to the Bible. We will be illustrating 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 a look at a specific ‘story, lives within the lives and context of the people in that era at that time.

This Week

Alan is unavailable today.

Nikki is on holiday this week

Sunday 8am-1pm Sunday Worship

Monday 9am cleaning 7pm Bellringing 7.30pm

Mandolin Monday

Tuesday Jazz 12pm 6.30pm Office Hour

Wednesday 9:30am Theme meeting 12noon Words & Music 1.30pm Knitting

Thursday 9.30am Morning Prayer 6.30pm HYB (church hire) 8pm Music Group practise

Friday 7pm singers

Saturday 10am –4pm Community Service working in the Churchyard 12noon-4pm Guitar lessons (Grondon Room)

Eco News & Advice

COMING SOON! Eco Festival at St John's: weekend of 30th September/1st October. We have just heard that the Mayor is coming to open this event. Also happening are talks on bees and birds, plus crafts and entertainment. Please keep the dates free!

General News

As part of our “Health & Safety for All” policy, we will be having a fire drill on a Sunday morning sometime over the next few weeks. We will try not to disrupt the worship too much. Please make sure you familiarise yourself with the fire exits and meeting place (outside on the grass by the red phone box) and if in doubt, please ask one of the Welcome Team, Churchwardens, Alan or Christine.

Charity Coffee Morning Paul Andrews is celebrating his 25th ‘Born-Again’ Birthday on July 29th between 10.30am & 1.30pm. There will be cake & biscuits so bring your appetites. There will be a raffle so bring your bank account! All monies will be shared between the Save The Children & TearFund charities. If you can, please let Paul or Linda know if are coming for ensuring there are cakes for all, but just turn up on the day if not. Ring 01895 255062 and leave a message. Venue:- 72 Misbourne Road, Hillingdon, UB10 0HW.