

DIARY DETAILS

Sunday 10th September (the 13th after Trinity)

9:45am Communion Service at St Botolph's
11:00am Morning Service at St Peter's
1 - 4pm Church open for Heritage Open Weekend
6:30pm Joint Evening Service at Castle Methodist

Wednesday 13th September

10:30am Communion Service at St Peter's

Thursday 14th September

8:00pm NGM Community Gp at 4 Bryanstone Mews

Sunday 17th September (the 14th after Trinity)

9:45am Battle of Britain Service at St Botolph's
11:00am Morning Service at St Peter's
6:30pm Joint Evening Service at Castle Methodist

The focus of each Community Group is as follows:

- * FFM: Faithful Friends Ministries (Tuesday lunchtimes)
- * JRM: Jericho Road Ministries (Tuesday evenings)
- * NGM: Next Generation Ministries (Thursday evenings)

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CHURCH NOTICES

Battle of Britain Service. St Botolph's Church will again be hosting the annual Battle of Britain Service, attended by the RAFA and 308 ATC, next Sunday, 17th September, at 9:45am (not at 10:30am as previously stated).

The 2017-2018 Guest House Project. A meeting is being planned for anyone who might like to be involved with this winter's Guest House Project, on Tuesday 19th September at 7:45pm at Dan and Bernice Watts' house at 26 Rosebery Avenue, CO1 2UJ. Please come along if you are interested.

Gifts for Harvest Festival. During our Harvest Festival Service on 24th September, we will be collecting gifts for Beacon House. They have particular use this year for: tinned meat, fish or vegetables, coffee, sugar, biscuits, dishwasher tablets, shampoo, men's deodorants, razors and shaving gel.

The Tuesday Lunchtime Community Group. The FFM Community Group will meet once in September, on Tuesday 26th at 12 noon, in the Hall, starting with a light lunch.

'Standing for Christ in the Public Square.' The Christian Institute are visiting Colchester in October, aiming to encourage Christians to be confident and effective in standing for Christ in the public square - Tuesday 3rd October at 8:00pm at Wivenhouse House Hotel, CO4 3SQ.

Rev Aella Gage. Please pray for Aella, Liza and the family as Aella is taking time off throughout September in attempt to recover from his recent poor health. While he is away, please contact either Mark Wallace or Bernice Watts (rather than disturb Aella). Thank you.

Thank you... On behalf of *The Friends of St Botolph's*, Brian New would like to thank everyone who sponsored his walk to Harwich in aid of the church tower. We raised £300.

Vicar's Day Off. Please note that Mark's day off has reverted to being on a Friday. Thank you.

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A very warm welcome to St Peter's Church!

Our service this morning is led by Rev Mark Wallace. If you have any questions, please ask a member of the Welcoming Team or contact any of the people in the "Contact details" section at the back of this leaflet. Please note that we do not take a collection during the service: if you would like to give, please use the box towards the back of church.

If you have younger children with you today, then please feel free to bring them to SPK (St Peter's Kids, for all those up to and including Year 6) in the Church Hall during the first hymn. If it's your first visit, we will ask you to complete a short Registration Form, but you are then welcome to leave your children in their groups and return to join us in the service. The children will be returned to church for the All-Age Zone towards the end of the service.

Thank you for joining us today.

Morning Service

Sunday 10th September 2017

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

HYMN: See, what a morning

See, what a morning, gloriously bright,
with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem;
folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light,
as the angels announce, "Christ is risen!"

See God's salvation plan,
wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice,
fulfilled in Christ, the Man,
for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

[SPK & Creche leave for their groups]

See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?"
as in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;
hears a voice speaking, calling her name;
it's the Master, the Lord raised to life again!
The voice that spans the years,
speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,
will sound till He appears,
for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

One with the Father, Ancient of Days,
through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty.
Honour and blessing, glory and praise,
to the King crowned with pow'r and authority!
And we are raised with Him,
Death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered;
and we shall reign with Him,
for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

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CONFESSION

Let us come to the Lord,
who is full of compassion,
and acknowledge our transgressions
in penitence and faith.

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word, and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

May the God of love and power
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by his Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE FIRST BIBLE READING: John 11 v 1-27
page 897 of the pew Bibles
read by Anne Kavanagh

At the end of the reading...
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

HYMN: Meekness and majesty

Meekness and majesty, manhood and deity,
in perfect harmony, the Man who is God.
Lord of eternity dwells in humanity
kneels in humility and washes our feet.

*O what a mystery,
meekness and majesty.
Bow down and worship,
for this is your God, this is your God.*

Father's pure radiance, perfect in innocence,
yet learns obedience to death on a cross.
Suffering to give us life,
conquering through sacrifice,

and as they crucify prays: "Father, forgive."
O what a mystery...

Wisdom unsearchable, God the invisible,
love indestructible, in frailty appears.
Lord of infinity, stooping so tenderly,
lifts our humanity to the heights of his throne.

*O what a mystery,
meekness and majesty.
Bow down and worship,
for this is your God, this is your God,
this is your God.*

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COMMUNITY GROUP FEEDBACK

THE SECOND READING: John 11 v 28-44

page 897-898 of the pew Bibles
read by Peter Wallace

At the end of the reading...
This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN: Jesus, the name high over all

Jesus, the name high over all,
in hell, or earth, or sky;
angels and mortals prostrate fall
and devils fear and fly.

Jesus, the name to sinners dear,
the name to sinners giv'n:
it scatters all their guilty fear,
it turns their hell to heav'n.

Jesus, the pris'ner's fetters breaks,
and bruises Satan's head;
pow'r into strengthless souls he speaks,
and life into the dead.

O, that the world might taste and see
the riches of his grace!
The arms of love that compass me,
hold all the human race.

His only righteousness I show,
his saving grace proclaim:
'tis all my business here below
to cry: 'Behold the Lamb!'

Happy, if with my latest breath
I may but gasp his name:
preach him to all, and cry in death:
'Behold, behold the Lamb!'

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

THE SERMON

preacher: Rev Mark Wallace

THE CREED

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

HYMN: Immortal honours

Immortal honours rest on Jesus' head;
my God, my portion, and my Living Bread;
in Him I live, upon Him cast my care;
He saves from death, destruction, and despair.

He is my refuge in each deep distress;
the Lord my strength and glorious righteousness;
through floods and flames He leads me safely on,
and daily makes His sovereign goodness known.

My every need He richly will supply;
nor will His mercy ever let me die;
in Him there dwells a treasure all divine,
and matchless grace has made that treasure mine.

O that my soul could love and praise Him more,
His beauties trace, His majesty adore;
live near His heart, rest in His love each day;
hear His dear voice and all His will obey.

William Gadsby (1773 - 1844)

THE PRAYERS

* The Collect for the 13th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God,
who called your Church to bear witness that you
were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

* The Intercessions

led by Sheila Lloyd

* The Lord's Prayer

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory
are yours, now and for ever.**

Amen.

THE ALL-AGE ZONE & THE NOTICES

HYMN: Ye servants of God

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful Name;
the Name all-victorious of Jesus extol:
his kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
and still he is nigh: his presence we have.
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son.
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right:
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,
all honour and blessing, with angels above,
and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

THE CONCLUSION

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore. Amen.**
