

Why does the church look different?

What's going on? We have had several meetings over the last year to discuss how we can use the space of the church to better enable worship and improve the use of space for community events. Frequently raised are the issues of ease of participation in worship: in particular does everyone have a view of what is going on, can they hear and does everyone feel included?

We had a long, thin layout which leaves some of the congregation very distant from the celebrant and we receive many complaints about not being able to see and hear well.

At the PCC meeting on 11th February we discussed two different plans for use of church space: one was the traditional layout with some tweaks and one was a more radical broader and shallower layout which you see currently modelled. We voted on the two plans and the vote was so close that we agreed to trial the layout you currently see to allow us to actually feel and see what it is like.

The advantages of this configuration are improved sight and sound due to a decrease in the distance between the altar and the people and a sense of worshipping together.

This trial is planned to last 3 months. This will give ample time for everyone to see how it works and give their opinion.

Please come along with an open mind, try it out and let us know your views. Feedback can be given by email to wardens@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk, or in writing to the church office addressed to the wardens.

Searching for stillness and peace?

Sunday Evenings offer Stillness, Silence & Solace.

Every Sunday at 6.30 pm

MEDITATION stillness & silence to listen to God (1st & 3rd Sundays)

TAIZE prayer of the heart in word, song & silence (4th Sunday)

Traditional Book of Common Prayer (1662) (2nd Sunday)



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Holy Spirit



Sunday 19th June Fourth Sunday after Trinity

WELCOME

Welcome to Holy Spirit. We have Sunday School for children from Reception age upwards during term time & a crèche all year round. For LARGE print hymn & service books ask the sidespeople. There is a loop system; please adjust the setting of your personal hearing aid.

JOIN IN

Please ALL COME to the Lord's table: whether or not you are used to receiving communion. We all gather as members of God's family to receive bread & wine or a blessing.

Please stay for a drink & a chat after the service

SUPPORT

Make your donation count: Thank you for supporting Holy Spirit. You can make your donation even more valuable by allowing us to reclaim the tax on your gift. To do so please fill in your details on the front of the Yellow Envelopes.

THANK YOU!

READINGS

Isaiah 65:1-9

In this passage the calamities that have befallen Israel are blamed on their sin: their embrace of foreign ways and their disregard for rules of purity, two particular sins mentioned are eating swine flesh and sitting in tombs—but in the gospel today Jesus will move amongst both swine and tombs.

Luke 8: 26-39

From a religion obsessed with keeping itself separate and excluding all that is foreign and strange to a God willing to walk into the unclean and marginal places. Jesus is in all the places that a good Jew shouldn't be: with the swine (forbidden, unclean, pagan), with the mentally ill who have been cast out, in the place of the dead. Yet where Christ is there is God.

Hymns: 702

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CALENDAR

Today

10.30am Parish Eucharist
6.30pm Evening Prayer:
Meditation

Monday 20th June

9.00am Morning Prayer
6.00pm Standing Committee

Tues 21st June

9.00am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mission Action Meeting
10.30am-12.00pm
Silver Socials

Weds 22nd June

9.00am Morning Prayer
6.30pm Resurrection: the
body and Christianity free talk
at St Paul's Cathedral

Thursday 23rd June

12.30pm Lunchtime Eucharist
followed by simple lunch
8.00pm Become a Dementia
Friend Talk

Friday 24th June

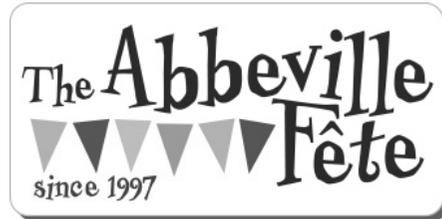
9.00am onwards
Fete Preparation

Saturday 25th June

12.00pm Abbeville Fete

Sunday 26th June

9.00am Said Eucharist
9.15am Choir, Stage room
10.30am Parish Eucharist
6.30pm Evening Prayer:
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I WEEK to GO!

SUNDAY 26th JUNE: REASONS to be CHEERFUL 1, 2, 3?

The fete will have been BIG TRIUMPH;
Rev Helen Harknett will be
joining us as our new curate
together with her husband
Dan and children Isaac and
Thea;

We will be saying farewell to
Andrew White (aka Wilf). This is NOT a reason for
cheerfulness as Wilf has been a reliable and jovial friend
of CHS for 100s of years.



BUT the cake and wine we consume to
send him on his way will. I predict,
spread cheerfulness abroad.

PLEASE do come & make this a special
send off for Wilf and a warm welcome
for Helen, Dan, Isaac & Thea.



Please pray:

for those who are sick:

Albert Bell, Heidi Bell, Jane Bell, Tony Trudgill, Tim
Grisdale, Chris Friend, Nick Lynch, Cassie Wil-
liams, Chris Barton, Charles Donoghue, Anthony
Walker and Sara Carter

RIP Anne Chevis

Notices



Become a Dementia Friend Thursday 23 June 2016 at
8.00pm.

Dementia Friends is about giving more people an under-
standing of living with dementia and the small things that
could make a difference to people living in their community.
This session will be run by Olivia Oates a volunteer Dementia Friends Champions,
who has been trained and is supported by the Alzheimer's Society.

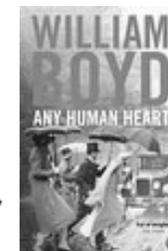
Book Club are reading Any Human Heart by William Boyd. Meeting to
discuss and drink wine on Tuesday June 28th 8pm at 108 Hambalt Road,
All welcome

FAITH CONFIRMED.

Weekly Confirmation Classes
will be starting here on Wednes-
day 31st August for 7 weeks.

Confirmation service will be

Held on Sunday 16th October which this year will be held HERE! Suitable for those
who want to be confirmed, those who have forgotten what on earth they got con-
firmed for in the first place & those who are just curious. SPEAK to Mtr Ruth.



Are you **passionate** about social **justice**
and about our **local community**?

Do you want to work together to create
social change and pursue the common good?
Church Holy Spirit Clapham has recently

joined the **Citizens UK** network. We need a group of people who are excited and
passionate about justice to join in on a journey of learning about community organis-
ing, partnering with our neighbours and together taking action for social justice.

If you have any interest at all (passionate about a particular problem, have an idea of
a solution, or just curious) then please either speak to Rachael Burke after church or
email her on rachael.burke@gmail.com

**Knit n Natter—Newbies welcome. CHS Knitting
Club** meets to get crafty next on July 13th at 7.30pm by
kind invitation of Lynn at 19 Rodenhurst Road



Save the date: Christmas Fair November 26th