



Trial Layout

We are in the final phase of the trial layout in church, the temporary dais which the altar stands on is not the ideal size, but do let us know what you think, especially whether you can see and hear (more on the sound system at a later date) and how you find receiving communion



Watch this space for further youth activities, every fortnight starting with the Flipout and pizza trip on September 2nd.

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 7th August Eleventh 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

Genesis 15. 1-6 Abram's story is peppered with glimpses of an incredible, superhuman level of faith in God. In this reading, however, Abram seems to be questioning whether his faith has been in some way misplaced. He yearns for clarity, having walked God's path so faithfully. **'What will you give me?'** His heart's desire is for Sarah to give birth to a son and heir - just one son. God takes Abram outside and makes him look up at the innumerable stars. Have faith, Abram, 'so shall your descendants be'. Abram's humanity is met with God's reassurance, faithfulness, and abundance.

Luke 12. 32-40 We are invited to partake in God's kingdom – not sometime in the unknown future, but right here and now. The passage reads, 'It IS your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.' Not that it **will be** His pleasure, one day...maybe...if you're lucky/good. The reading then goes on to tell us to behave as though we believe that the kingdom is here and now. To be dressed for action, to have our lamps lit, to be seeking out and striving for the signs of life and love and hope, and to be well prepared to welcome the Son of Man when he comes.

Hymns:

2

816

422

683

CALENDAR

Today

9.00am Said Eucharist

10.30am Parish Eucharist

6.30pm Meditation

Monday 8th August

9.00am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 9th August

9.00am Morning Prayer

10.30am-12.00pm

Silver Socials

Weds 10th August

9.00am Morning Prayer

Thurs 11th August

12.30pm Lunchtime

Eucharist

followed by simple lunch

Sunday 14th August

9.00am Said Eucharist

10.30am Parish Eucharist

6.30pm Evening Prayer

CITIZENS UK

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

We have recently joined the Citizens UK network and have 2 training sessions in community organising (with our neighbours St Paul's Brixton) on Saturday 10th and 17th September. This is open to everyone and we'll learn lots of skills about how to work together to help our community. Please put the dates in your diary and plan to come - there will be something to learn for everyone and you don't have to be die-hard committed to community organising to come along.

Please email rachael.burke@gmail.com if you are at all interested!

FAITH CONFIRMED. Weekly Confirmation

Classes will be starting here on Tuesday 30th 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 confirmed for in the first place & those who are just curious. Contact church office for more information.



Please pray for:

Albert Bell, Heidi Bell, Jane Bell, Tony Trudgill, Tim Grisdale, Chris Friend, Nick Lynch, Cassie Williams, Chris Barton, Charles Donoghue, Anthony Walker, Sara Carter, Avis Sowels, Harry Rich, Kate Sutcliffe, David Witherington, Lynford Esterine, and Molly Price Owen.

Notices

Book club meet again on September 12th, 8pm, 67 Rodenhurst Road to discuss Mr Weston's Good Wine by TF Powys and Villa Triste Patrick Modiano. For those who would like more summer reading suggestions: Ammonites and Leaping Fish by Penelope Lively. This is not a novel but a semi-autobiographical work about aging from the viewpoint of an 80 year old. The reviews are extremely good - as to be expected for such a good novelist.



Calling all youth year 4 upwards. Join us for a fun evening of bouncing at **Flip Out** and Pizza afterwards in church. **Friday September 2nd**. Contact Helen on curate@holyspirit-clapham.org.uk for more info.

Knitting Group are clicking their needles on 22nd August 7.30pm at Eagle House, Narbonne Avenue. All abilities welcome, come and natter while you knit.



"Theology on tap" -

please come along on Thursday 11th August to Abbeville pub at 8pm for a drink and an informal chat and debate about faith and contemporary issues. On Thursday we'll be talking about how (or indeed, if) Christians and churches should be involved in politics and our public sphere. All

welcome. Look for the curate wearing a dog collar in the pub to find us, or call Rachael on 07792058417 if you get lost.

Come and Sing! The Whitehall Choir invites you to join them in a workshop on Dvořák's Stabat Mater, followed by an informal performance here at Holy Spirit Church in Clapham.

The day will be led by the Choir's conductor, Paul Spicer. See poster and flyers at back of church.

Whitehall Choir

