New Horizons

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From the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, the Lord's name is to be praised

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WORSHIP AND ACTION

Sunday 10.30 am **Morning Worship** and Junior Church. **Holy Communion** is celebrated during Worship on the 4th Sunday

FAIRTRADE Coffee and tea is served after Morning Worship

Please stay to talk with each other in an informal atmosphere.

Sunday 6.30 pm **Evening Worship** will be held, and Holy Communion celebrated, as set out in the monthly magazine and as announced in Church.

Church Meetings are generally held in alternate months on the third Thursday at 7.30 pm. The dates and times will be published in this magazine and announced in Church.

Tues	10.00 am 11.30 am 2.30 pm	1 hour's Prayer for fellowship. Tea and Coffee in the Foyer "Cornerstone Crafters" with lunch (1st and 3rd Tuesdays or as announced) Christian Forum (2nd and 4th Tuesdays) Messy Church First Tuesday in the month
Wed	1.30 pm	The Cornerstone Toddlers during Term Time "Whisper" Worship Workout Pilots. Ends at about 7.00 pm.
Thurs	6.00 pm 7.45-9.15	Midweek Worship (2 nd Thursday) Beaver Scouts and Cub Scouts Scouts Elders' Meeting (1 st Thursday)
Fri	7.00-9.00	Junior Badminton Youth Club Church Music Practice

Little Turtles Pre-School meets on Monday to Friday from 9.00 am during term time. Please see one of the Junior Church Leaders for details.

Letter to the fellowship



Struggles and Growth

Of all the mysteries most of us would like solved before we die, it is the one that says you must struggle if you are going to grow. Growth always means struggle in one form or another. We struggled when we were a

youth, trying to grow physically. We all struggled as children attempting to grow emotionally, psychologically and intellectually. We struggle when we grow.

In Genesis 32 we find a man named Jacob who faced a lot of struggles as he grew to be the man God wanted him to be.

Jacob was relentless during this struggle and his perseverance changed him profoundly, forever, in several ways: he was wounded and walked with a limp for the rest of his life, a sign of human weakness and dependence on the Lord; he was given a new name ("Israel") and with it a new identity, as a prince with God, and one whose struggle with the Almighty saved his life, his family, and his God given inheritance and posterity; and finally, Jacob received the long-awaited relief and closure with the brother whom he had deceived and enraged so many years before.

So, this wrestling match with God was a massive turning point in Jacob's life, and though it must have taken every ounce of human effort he could muster, the victory he won affected every human being in history, since, of course, the Man that Jacob wrestled with was almost certainly the same Man who became his most important descendant, the Saviour of the world, the Messiah; (Jesus the Christ).

Jacob struggled all through his life. God wanted him to be God's man; Jacob fought it with that old nature that says, "Forget what God wants...be your own man! Do what you want to do; Hey, it's your life isn't it?" Each of us faces that tension today. There are struggles with relationships, morality, the physical realm.

We struggle in every area of life. We struggle with why some things must be. Even though we accept struggle as a part of life, we still question its value, its purpose. Along with our questioning, there is one immutable fact that, if accepted, will give your suffering -- your struggling some meaning... In life's crucible, God is there! And He will help you through it all!



How often difficulties and crises are used by the Lord to bring us closer and to develop intimacy with Him. It is sometimes the Lord's will to draw us to Himself through extreme and even terrible circumstances or threats. The inner transformation that can take place when we pass through these intense prayer battles, cannot perhaps, be accomplished any other way.

But consider the fruit and the blessing which can result from this mighty wrestling. And consider how being that close to God Himself may change you forever. So, you who are gutting out that anguishing trial--don't let go until you receive the blessing, the change, the victory. I believe the Lord also wants to say to us --- that you have struggled with God and with men -- and have prevailed!

God bless, Sohail

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us o'er the world's tempestuous sea; guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us for we have no help but Thee, yet possessing every blessing if our God our Father be.

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Prayers for our Fellowship and those we know

Prayers can be for joy and sorrow, health and sickness, good news and bad in addition to those for our own needs and guidance.

We keep in our prayers all those who are mourning the loss of a loved one, give them your peace Lord.

There are many who find it difficult to get to Worship week by week and we think especially of Hilda Burgess, Ann Cassells, Jan Fox, Pat Goodhew, Rena Hume, Margaret King and Hilda Prior. We pray for those who are ill, in constant pain, recovering and awaiting or receiving treatment:

Ann Blackwell, Ann Crowhurst, Roy Davis, Pat Garrard, Olive Goodyear, Ron Root, Sohail's father and Mick Thorp.

We also pray for those of our fellowship who are finding life difficult at the present time either with health, job or family worries. Give them peace of spirit and the knowledge that God knows of all their difficulties and hears all of their prayers.

Father, hear our prayers Amen

Please feel free to use the Prayer Book placed on the Prayer Table, in the Foyer, to write down any names or events you want to be prayed for during the Service.



Do make use of our prayer cards, whether to give thanks or to request prayers in specific need. You may remain anonymous if you wish. There is a collection box on the prayer table in the foyer. Requests will be prayed over at the Tuesday prayer group and other appropriate times.

For prayers during Sunday Service, please continue to use the prayer book on the table.

Prayers for people and matters outside of our fellowship

Father, it seems every day we hear of crimes where knives and drugs cause harm, and even death, to young people so we pray for all those who work with the young and vulnerable. We pray for those in the emergency services who have to respond to horrific incidents and themselves are harmed in some way.

May we use whatever influence we have, whenever and wherever we are able to calm situations, to lead and, most of all, to continue to pray and give thanks for all that is being done in the name of Jesus Christ your son.



SECRETARY'S NOTEBOOK

The warmer weather recently has prompted a growth spurt for the plants I had been hoping to bring to the summer fayre. We have had a busy spell planting out as much as we can squeeze in to the garden, so the church will see the produce instead, but there are still a lot of tomato plants that need to get out of small

pots into the ground. If anyone would like some please do ask.

It has been a month of contrasting emotions for Frank and I. We paid a quick visit to Devon for the funeral of one of his RAF colleagues, along with several others of the entry, then came home to a letter with the news that the husband of one of my dearest school friends had died very suddenly. She now lives in Crete so I was unable to rush round to offer comfort. Our moods were lifted by the service and celebration of the baptism of our granddaughter, Matilda, which took place at St Mary's Woodham Ferrers on 17th June.

Alongside this, there have been several hours spent at the church, reacting to systems failures. We had to call in NCC when the new water detection system went into overdrive and we were unable to reset it. Thankfully however Frank was able to trace and deal with a couple of electrical faults. It seems that we have now come to the point when what were new installations in 2011 are beginning to

show signs of wear and tear, and cause problems and expense. I think it appropriate at this time to remind everyone the procedure for reporting faults or breakages. There are forms to be found at the leaflet racks in the foyer (by the ladies') and the hall entrance, which should be completed and left on the reception desk, and will be attended to as soon as possible; in an emergency (such as the water) telephone Mike Mead or myself.

Some folk have expressed an interest in a new house-group, and Elders are looking to start this in the autumn - watch the notices for further news.

The General Data Protection Regulations are now in force, and we are having to be a lot more careful with what we do with the information you give us about yourself, and you have the right to 'opt in' or not for various things. The Data Protection Policy, which was adopted by



church meeting some time ago, has been revised. Copies of the proposed revised document will be available in the foyer for the next few weeks, with a view to approval at the July Church Meeting. Please do take time to read them and raise any questions with Roger Brett or myself.

We are also planning a new Church Directory for later this year so to accomplish this, and ensure we have the up to date information you wish us to hold, all members of the fellowship will be asked to complete new forms over the coming weeks.

It was good to welcome back Jeanette Stevens to lead our service on 3rd June - the children in particular like her visits as she always brings a gift!

Messy Church on 5th June had as its theme the account of the Rich Young Ruler and how sometimes following Jesus is not easy. Needles and Camels of various designs were the order of the day! You are very welcome to come along on 3rd July to experience "I praise You because I am fearfully and wonderfully made".

On 10th June we had the joint Pilots' and Junior Church celebration service; the service was devised by Derek Goodyear as a series of radio interviews with witnesses to the "I AM" sayings of Jesus, and was the culmination of several sessions to answer the question "Who is Jesus". The leaders of our youth and children's groups were rededicated to this work, and the War Memorial Prize was presented to Chloe Dennis.



On 17th June Robert Wiseman led the Fathers' Day service and delighted the children by considering the traits of the various characters of the Winnie-the-Pooh stories, complete with soft toys!

At the time of writing, it is expected our Minister will lead the worship on 24^{th} June, including Holy Communion, as well as the following week for our Church Anniversary.

Our organisations, except Junior Church, will be finishing for the summer later this month and the leaders and helpers will have a well-earned rest. In early August we will, once again, welcome the boys and girls from Belfast to our premises for their annual camp. During their stay the church is closed to all activities except our regular worship, and Tuesday coffee and prayer group. We are delighted that the Ipswich Girls Brigade is also visiting in August, for the bank holiday weekend.

Whether your summer holiday is at Windowsill Bay or somewhere more exotic, have a lovely restful break.

Ruth Dixon

"Tis easy enough to be pleasant, when life flows like a song, but the man worthwhile, is the man with a smile, when everything goes dead wrong"

NEWS FROM THE FELLOWSHIP



The extended family of baby Ikechukwu John-Praise Cosmos-Nwaokeke gathered in the church at the end of May and he was welcomed with a blessing, for his safe arrival, from our Minister. We look forward to watching him grow physically and in his faith.

Concert News

On Saturday 16th June, we welcomed **Richard Lennox** - Keyboard Player Extraordinaire and Valerie Ing - his PA to The Cornerstone.

We were once again dazzled by the sheer variety of music he played, over 2 hours, on both Piano and Organ. This ranged from "Stormy Weather" to an Ivor Novello



Medley on piano to "The Spitfire Prelude" and "RAF March" on the organ - from Gershwin and Disney's Menken on piano to the "Widor" and "Boellman" Organ Toccatas - and that was just for starters! A truly magnificent concert.

It was good to catch up on all their musical news and we also learnt that Noel Tredinnick is retiring as Musical Director at All Souls, Langham Place and 27th April 2019, will be his final "Prom Praise". Do we feel a P.P. visit coming on?!!

Richard was playing the following morning at his church near Weston Super Mare, and in the afternoon had a band call for a forthcoming show!

The committee must be congratulated on making this enjoyable event happen, and our organ and piano tuners ensured our instruments sounded at their best.

Thanks to all who attended.

Nigel & Val

News from the Forum



This month is one where we have only had one of our two meetings before the report has to go to the editor of the magazine for typing, but it was a very happy afternoon spent with Val Hayman. Val had put together a programme of music on the theme of Dreams

We were taken on a journey, through various musical interpretations all in some way relating to our Dreams, which as Val said in her introduction sometimes we could remember, sometimes not and some came to fruition as we went through life.

We were able to reminisce as to where we were when we first heard a piece, some of the events in our lives which were stirred in our memories and some places we had visited. Joseph and his wonderful coat had us singing along and some of us remembered attempts to play some of them in our youth like Forgotten Dreams and Dream of Olwen.

Thank you Val for a lovely June afternoon and we look forward to your next programme.

We went away with a mini questionnaire to help us decide by our AGM in September where the group is going next, several considerations about timing, frequency and attendance will have to be looked at seriously as we start a new year.

In July we start with a Dingbats afternoon at our first meeting on the

10th July, and we finish the season we hope with an Afternoon Tea that's on the 24th July.

No meetings in August, so remember the AGM in September.

Do come along to our meetings if you would like to meet some friends and chat.

Alison Shannon



Children and families

What a joyful June! We've welcomed several new families this month, one of whom returned, having popped into enquire about little Turtles the previous week. The Mum's second youngest son joined us for Pilots (in deck hands) the following Wednesday, she accompanied him for most of his first session, he was

reluctant to leave her but observed the goings on, occasionally joining in. Upon his second visit, he brought out the nurturing side of one of our regular attendees, who explained, "I'll look after you, it's ok; we play some games, have a snack," and then continued enthusiastically, "and we have a story about Jesus." She took his hand and encouraged him to help us make our big picture of creation. I shared a beautiful moment with him when he and his little friend brought me a carefully cut out and coloured paper apple, we chatted about the story and he chose whereabouts to stick his artwork on the tree of knowledge before returning to re-join the other children at the craft table, independently.

Do pop upstairs and take a look at their display board, they are very proud to see their efforts on the wall and it's a great way to engage with them, also an opportunity to chat about the stories they are learning.

The lift is working so please call in and say hello during junior church or even on a Wednesday evening. If you choose to visit us on a Wednesday you'll not only get the opportunity to hear all about their artwork, you can also join the mums, who sit with Ruth, chatting,

eating cake and drinking tea (whilst we occupy their 5-11 year olds). We often take the children's younger siblings and occasionally a mum into the worship area when we all come together for the story, closing ceremony and prayers.

It was lovely to see another of our mums at a Sunday service. Her adorable Deck Hand, having woken her up at 7 a.m. pleading to go to church again on Sunday!

I'd like to say a massive thank you on behalf of the mums and children to Derek, for the fantastic service the Pilots delivered. It took a lot of effort and organising with occasionally challenging rehearsals. Derek did an awesome job and so did the participating children. I'd also like to thank Sohail for the thoughtful prayer he wrote for the helpers.

Whisper

Another big thank you to the couple who have donated generously to help cover the cost of the class. Val and I have applied for a grant from 2020 vision to enable the group to continue as a blessing. I do put a donation pot out each week but if I'm honest I do sometimes forget to mention it.



I still believe the class, as it establishes, will pay for itself as we do have one or two affluent ladies join us who are happy to contribute (but unfortunately they don't come every week!) and I've spoken to most of them about a possible minimum charge next term. However, I don't want to exclude those who really don't have more than a few pence to share each week - I've been that mum!

Please pray with me about this, I still believe we can help further God's kingdom using music and movement.



Youth club

Our Friday evenings are going well, friends of our young people are also becoming established within the group.

This month we have watched a short film from Water Aid discussing the lack of clean water in other parts of the world and the massive impact poor sanitation has on every area of

their lives from health to education, something so basic that we take for granted every day; highlighting the difference that charities like this make.

When we had our together moment at the end of our most recent gathering we were talking about happiness. As an opener each person shared something which made them happy and not one of them listed a material item - not even a phone, so parents we must be doing something right! We have wonderful children.

Reflection time

I adore the bustle of summer and the long days - you can squeeze so much more into 24 hours!

Busy by nature, I am learning the importance of time out so I don't burn out. I love that Jesus took himself off alone to pray and as in our longing to be more Christ-like, we have permission to be still. I know for many (busy mums and wives especially!) time for



themselves in their busy schedules is often accompanied by feelings of guilt - that's a lie, I believe the enemy delights in keeping us too busy for God! It's essential to rest in his presence, how else can we grow spiritually?

Towards the end of May, I got to sit and pray under the shady leaves of a 500 year old sweet chestnut tree, while camping at Rydal Hall with my Vineyard youth group, 3 close friends and accompanying children. The weather was glorious, it was warm enough to swim in the tarns and to picnic every day, which if you are familiar with the Lake District is not always the case even in the height of summer!

After one reflection time, a 15 year old newcomer to this particular retreat expressed that she couldn't remember the last time she had actually experienced such true stillness. This part of the world is such a spectacular example of beauty in creation; one of my favourite memories every year is when we get up and climb Loughrig before sunrise. Despite the grumbling about the hour (and the climb!) each and every one of us gets caught up in the magnificence of the mountains as the sun rises.

We visited Dove cottage, where Wordsworth lived with his sister and I also sat in the 'Grot', built in 1668 by Sir Daniel Fleming (a viewing station) where he was inspired to write one of his earliest poems called 'An Evening walk'.

There are still a few spaces left at the Blencathra Christian holiday 21st July - 4th August, if you want to come and experience it for yourself, please ask me for further details.

Having turned 50 recently and hanging out in William Wordsworth's old haunts, one of my favourite prayers came to mind, so I thought I would share it with you as it always makes me smile:



17th Century Nun's Prayer

Lord, thou knowest better than I know myself that I am growing older and will someday be old.

Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must say something on every subject and on every occasion.

Release me from craving to straighten out everybody's affairs.

Make me thoughtful but not moody: helpful but not bossy.

With my vast store of wisdom, it seems a pity not to use it all, but thou knowest Lord that I want a few friends at the end.

Keep my mind free from the recital of endless details; give me wings to get to the point.

Seal my lips on my aches and pains. They are increasing, and love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by.

I dare not ask for your grace enough to enjoy, the tales of others' pains, but help me to endure them with patience.

I dare not ask for improved memory, but for a growing humility and a lessening cocksureness when my memory seems to clash with the memories of others.

Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken.

Keep me reasonably sweet; I do not want to be a Saint - some of them are so hard to live with - but a sour old person is one of the crowning works of the devil.

Give me the ability to see good things in unexpected places, and talents in unexpected people. And, give me, O Lord, the grace to tell them so.

Amen.

Wishing you all a blessed and happy summer
With much love
Lisa
xx

Remember Psalm 46:10 Be still and know that I am God

There was an elderly lady, who was posting an old Family Bible to her brother in Luton.

"Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the counter clerk.

"Only the Ten Commandments!" she replied.

- Each of us is a vital thread, in another person's tapestry, our lives are woven together for a reason.
- The best things to hold onto in this world are your faith and a friend.

Harvest Festival Evening 22nd September 2018

and Harvest Festival Service 23rd September 2018

with Holy Communion



For a number of years now we have had a Harvest Evening Event usually on the Saturday before the Harvest Service. Church Meeting agreed enthusiastically (?) to hold something again this year following the same format of a meal followed by entertainment. Not, of course, that the meal won't be entertaining.

My suggestion of an evening of 'Songs From The Shows' was adopted unopposed. I don't know why!! Once again this will have a number of items on the Big Screen. Songs for the assembled throng to sing, using music from our Musical Directors and, possibly, one or two home grown pieces of entertainment. I have already had a volunteer who has pressed another person in to assist and I may find that the 'Vicar' will make a return visit. Well, you have to get full use out of the costume.

As with last year, anyone who wishes to volunteer to do something would be most welcome. Let me know soonest, so that I can amend the programme. If you have any idea of songs, then also let me know. I am interpreting the title fairly loosely, as it could include shows that are non-musical but have songs.

The Church Meeting also agreed to a Fish and Chip supper to start the evening off, so no need to prepare your 'pinnies', just your wallets and voices.

And for your diaries -

Date - 22nd September 2018 Arrive from 5.30pm Food from Chippy served at 6.00pm Concert to start at Approx 7.15pm and finish around 8.30pm

When the Vicar Won Wimbledon



July 2nd sees the start of Wimbledon. No doubt many of us will be glued to our televisions watching the tennis stars battling for the prestigious crown.

But how did it all begin?

"Lawn Tennis," wrote J.B. Priestley, "is a name with the mildest associations. It suggests a companion pastime to croquet, a late-Victorian thing, bright with petticoats and delicately clouded with curates." So it seemed with the development of Wimbledon's All England Lawn Tennis Club from its beginnings in 1869 as a Croquet Club, at which "Gentlemen are requested not to play in their shirt sleeves when ladies are present".

However, with the addition of tennis courts to the grounds and the new game ascendency, the first Wimbledon Tennis Championships took place in 1877.

It was at the third tournament of 1879 that the Revd. J.T. Hartley, vicar of Burneston in Yorkshire, won the All-Comers Gentlemen's Singles out of an entry of 45 competitors at Wimbledon, and repeated the feat the following year. On the middle Sunday of the tournament, he was obliged to dash back to Yorkshire to deliver his church sermon before returning once again to complete his triumph at the All-England Club.

A sharing from Radford Road Church, Leamington Spa

CALORIES (Noun)

Tiny creatures that live in your wardrobe and sew your clothes a little bit tighter every night.

You and Your Secrets

We all have secrets, things that we would prefer that other people do not know about us. And now we have the legal right to make sure that organisations, both large and small, can only use the information we give them for the purpose that we have agreed with them.

If you join an organisation such as the local dance club or bowls club or even a church, such as The Cornerstone, they need to have a membership list and so have the right to ask for some information such as your name, address and telephone number. This information will only be shared among those who need to know. In our instance this will be people such as the Minister, Elders, Church Secretary, Treasurer, Gift Aid Secretary and Pastoral Care Team.

As a Church we try to follow Jesus and this means that we often use Sensitive Personal Data in ways that other organisations would not. We believe that our collection of your information allows us not only to use it for the day-to-day administration of the church but also in the wider Christian belief in pastoral care and oversight including telephone calls, visits and 'public' prayer (Prayer Group and Prayer Book) many prayers cover your health or exam or job results.

But the Church might want to do other things such as recognise a Big Birthday, tell you about an upcoming event or send you the magazine. And for this to happen they may ask you for your Date of Birth, E-mail address or even a second telephone number.

This information is legally known as Sensitive Personal Data which also includes your ethnicity, your faith, trades union membership, alleged commission of an offence and other similar items.

And if the Church asks for that information it has to tell you why it wants it. And you have to agree specifically to this happening. At The Cornerstone for example we will ask you for your date of birth so we can sing Happy Birthday at the relevant occasion, or e-mail address so we can send you the magazine.

And we will ask you if you are happy for some information to be made public on a Membership list for distribution to other such members but not made generally available. Remember that being on a Membership list shows your faith, which is Sensitive Personal Data. This means that you have to agree to being on this more public version.

At anytime you can opt in or opt out and if you opt out of the more sensitive information that you have supplied, then The Cornerstone will destroy that information.

We will soon be sending out a form for everyone to complete so that we can do all of the things that we, as a church, want to do.

If you need more information, then The Cornerstone's Privacy Statement (4 pages) and the updated Data Protection Policy (17 pages) are both available on request.

They cover in much more detail how we will hold your information and what we will use it for in a way that ensures that your information is kept private and all sorts of other interesting legal stuff.

So, I reach the end of this short piece without once mentioning those sleep inducing words 'General Data Protection Regulations' which is what this is all about. We may/will appoint a Data Protection Officer to keep us all on our toes but nothing has been agreed yet.

Oops!!

A truck driver was driving along on a country road. A sign came up that read "Low Bridge Ahead."

Before he realised it, the bridge was directly ahead and he got stuck under it...

Cars were backed up for miles. Finally, a police car arrived.

The policeman got out of his car and walked to the lorry's cab and said to the driver, "Got stuck, eh?"

The lorry driver said, "No, I was delivering this bridge and ran out of diesel!"



Peter's Piece

One Cup

Continuing our look at Holy Communion, you may have wondered about the significance of the chalice that is always on the Table for Communion and is often raised in the course of the Service.

When celebrating the Passover with his disciples as Jesus gave this meal, after breaking and distributing the bread he picked up a cup, which was there as part of the Passover meal, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; for this [the cup and its content] is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins." Matthew 26:27-28 NRSV.



As the use of individual cups is our practice, the Chalice is there as a visual reminder that originally there was one communal cup from which all drank in turn and which Jesus used as a picture of the means of the personal forgiveness of sins. There is one salvation, available for all, by faith in the shed blood of Jesus on the cross, and in which we each need, individually, to put our trust to receive



forgiveness of our sin. We declare our own personal faith in the blood of Christ for the forgiveness of our sin as we, symbolically from the one cup of salvation, drink together from our individual glasses.

The picture would be complete if we all drank from the one chalice as the NT churches did and some churches still do! But as that is not our practice, the presence and the raising of the chalice, serves as a reminder to us of the true meaning of our drinking.

"The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ?"

1 Corinthians 10:16 NRSV.

Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays of July and August 2018

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 1, 2018 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost **July 8, 2018** 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10; Psalm 48; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost July 15, 2018
2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19; Psalm 24; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-29

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost **July 22, 2018** 2 Samuel 7:1-14a; Psalm 89:20-37; Ephesians 2:11-22; Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost July 29, 2018
2 Samuel 11:1-15; Psalm 14; Ephesians 3:14-21; John 6:1-21

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost **August 5, 2018** 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a; Psalm 51:1-12; Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:24-35

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost **August 12, 2018**2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33; Psalm 130; Ephesians 4:25-5:2; John 6:35, 41-51

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 19, 2018 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14;Psalm 111; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost **August 26, 2018** 1 Kings 8:(1,6,10-11), 22-30, 41-43; Psalm 84; Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 2, 2018 Song of Solomon 2:8-13; Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9 James 1:17-27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



Digging Deeper

There is no Digging Deeper for the months of July and August, but will recommence on Thursday 20 September.

We will be continuing the subject of Church Membership – what it means, its privileges and responsibilities for both 'the Body of Christ,' formal membership and those who regularly attend our activities.

We will be searching the Bible to see what God has to say, alongside sharing our own expectations, thoughts, ideas and convictions on this very important subject. Each one of us is involved one way or another – we are all of value to God.

20th **September** – collectively – learning, fellowship, worship and prayer together. Acts 2:42(42-47)

18th October – individually - what is my part? 1 Corinthians 12:27(1 Corinthians 12,13 & 14) note 12:27-31 what gift is missing from the second rhetorical list?

15 November – the church today – working out the Bible principles. Hebrews 13:8(1-17)

Why not join us and contribute if you want to?

A Gentle Reminder

This life will go by fast.

Don't fight with people, don't criticise your body so much.

Don't complain so much.

Don't lose sleep over your bills.

Look for the person that makes you happy.

If you make a mistake, let it go and keep seeking your happiness.

Never stop being a good parent.

Don't worry so much about buying luxuries and comforts for your home, and don't kill yourself trying to leave an inheritance for your family.

Those benefits should be earned by each person, so don't dedicate yourself to accumulating money.

Enjoy travel, enjoy your journeys, see new places, give yourself the pleasures you deserve.

Allow dogs to get closer.

Don't put away the fine glassware; utilise the new dinnerware.

Wear out your favourite sports shoes;

Repeat your favourite clothes. So what? That's not bad.

Why not now?

Why not pray now instead of waiting until before you sleep?

Why not call now? Why not forgive now?

We wait so long for Christmas; for Friday; for reunions; for another year; for when I have money; for love to come; when everything is perfect.

Look - everything perfect doesn't exist. Human beings can't accomplish this because it simply was not intended to be completed here.

Here is an opportunity to learn.

So, take this challenge that is life and do it now

Love more, forgive more, embrace more, love more intensely

And leave the rest in God's hands. Amen

Flower Donations

July

1st Church Anniversary

8th Clive, Mary and Pat Goodhew

15th The Hey family (in memory of

Mac, Joyce and Bernice)

22nd Rev Derek and Leng Kingston

29th Roy and Trixie Davis



August

5th Andy Anderson

12th Flower Fund

19th Michael and Brenda Wardle

26th Nigel and Val Mead

September

2nd Joan Harvey

9th Brenda Kemp

Communion Offerings



These collections are taken at the two Sunday Communion Services during the last hymn and are for charitable organisations outside of The Cornerstone.

Thank you for your generosity in June for collecting £ 90 for Christian Aid

July RNLI August HARP

September Havens Hospices

Coffee/Tea Rotas

Sunday mornings after Worship

<u>July</u>	1 st 8 th 15 th 22 nd 29 th	Maureen Stone and Val Hayman Anne Clarke and Val Mead Linda and Mike Mead Val Hayman and Stella Yates Stella Duboux and Joan Harvey
<u>Aug</u>	5 th 12 th 19 th 26 th	Machrina Ejaz and Sandra Russ Anne Clarke and Val Mead Brenda Kemp and Leng Kingston Carole and Alan Cornwall
<u>Sept</u>	2 nd 9 th	Gwen and Colin McMillan Anne Clarke and Val Mead
		Tuesday mornings "Drop in"
<u>July</u>	3 rd 10 th 17 th 24 th 31 st	Stella Duboux and Barbara Dillon Joan Harvey and Maureen Stone Carole and Alan Cornwall Carol Smith
	31	Machrina Ejaz
Aug	7 th 14 th 21 st 28 th	Machrina Ejaz Stella Duboux and Barbara Dillon Joan Harvey and Maureen Stone Carole and Alan Cornwall Carol Smith



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

(Also see weekly Notice Sheet)

<u>July</u>

Sun	1 st	10.30 a.m.	Church Anniversary	Our Minister
			including Holy Communion	l
		6.30 p.m.	NO SERVICE	
Tues	3^{rd}	4.00 p.m.	Messy Church	
Fri 6 th -		າ 9 th	General Assembly at Nottin	ngham
Sun	8 th	10.30 a.m.	Family Church Parade Ro	ger Brett & Lisa
Weds		7.30 p.m.	Outline planning meeting for	or Youth staff
Sat	14 th	9.00 a.m.	Big Breakfast	
		12.00 p.m.	Helpers needed to set up for	or the
			Summer Fayre	
		.m 5 p.m.	Summer Fayre	
Sun	15 th	10.30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Machrina Ejaz
Weds	18 th	9.30 - 11.30	Toddlers Outing to Kursaal	
			(last meeting until 5 th Septe	ember)
		5.30 p.m.	Pilots Party	
			(last meeting until 5th Septe	ember)
Thurs		7.30 p.m.	M & M and Elders' Meeting	J
Sun	22 nd	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Our Minister
Thurs			Church Meeting	
Sun	29 th	10.30 a.m.	Morning Worship F	Robert Wiseman

<u>August</u>

Fri	3 rd	Belfast Bo	ys & Girls Brigade Cam	p for 1 week
Sun	5 th	10.30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Ruth Dixon +
		6.30 p.m.	NO SERVICE	
Tues	7^{th}		NO MESSY CHURCH	
Sat	11 th	9.00 a.m.	Big Breakfast	
Sun	12 th	10.30 a.m.	Morning Worship	Our Minister
Thurs	16 th		PMG Meeting	
Sun	_	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Roger Brett
Fri	24 th	Girls Briga	ide from Ipswich for Ion	g weekend
Sun	26 th	10.30 a.m.	Morning Worship	To be arranged

Sept

Sun 2nd 10.30 a.m. Morning Worship John Amos 6.30 p.m. Holy Communion Our Minister

Note for your diary

Sept

Sat 22nd Songs from the Shows

Fish & Chip supper

Sun 23rd 10.30 a.m. Harvest



The next edition of New Horizons!

The next magazine will be published on 2nd September 2018. Please let us have your contributions by our usual time of 9.00 a.m. on Thursday 23rd August.

A large print version of this magazine is available. Please ask an editor if you would like one.

Alternatively you can view it on line. See the website address on the front cover

Recording of services

We are now sound recording every Sunday service, so please let Vic Crowhurst know if you would like a copy for yourself, someone who could not be with us that day or perhaps to give to someone to listen to how well we sing!



For special and festival services we may make video recordings and if you would not wish to appear in these, then please speak to anyone at the sound and vision desk before the service starts. There should be a prior warning of the services involved.

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Please remember that your Elders are ordained to serve our members and friends who have pastoral concerns.

We do offer Christian Marriage, Baptisms and Funerals so please talk to the Secretary or any Elder if you feel that we can help.