ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST WORSHIP

10th June 2018

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Vicky is taking our service and preaching today

Everyone is very welcome at this service.

If you have very young children there are busy bags with activities in you can pick up near the welcome table to use during the service if needed. If your child gets restless you are welcome to take them to the children's quiet area where there is a bit more space for them and books and paper and crayons for them to use.



We give a warm welcome to the family and friends of Mikhail Volkov who is to be baptised this morning.

HYMNS

Opening: 122 Father, Lord of all creation

Gradual: 422 Seek ye first

Processional: 27 Amazing Grace

Offertory Hymn: 464 Take my life, and let it be

Final Hymn: 73 Brother, sister, let me serve you

During this hymn a collection is taken. If you are a UK tax payer you can donate by Gift Aid and for every £1 you give, St John's gets an extra 25p. Please put your donation in one of the Gift Aid envelopes in the back of the seats, adding your name and address. If you would like to give regularly by Gift Aid please see Jo Need. Thank you very much for your support.

THE COLLECT

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

THE READINGS are on the back page

COMMUNION: Everyone is warmly invited to receive communion or a blessing. We gather in a circle around the altar. Please join the end of the line in a clockwise direction. The sides people will quide you.

POST COMMUNION

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for those who are ill and those in particular need of prayer



Among them Ann Cooper, Phyllis Keates, Caroline Hellicar, Cyd, Phil Harvey, Florence Hicks, Helen Keates, Stanley Ball, the Hallidan family, Ruth and Lee Clift, Alan Bennett, Bill and the Higgins family.

And for those who have died

There is a special prayer area at the high altar chapel where you can light a candle. Do write any requests for prayers for situations or people on a slip of paper and pin it to the board there. All requests will be remembered at our weekday morning services.

Readings for next Sunday: Ezekiel 17.22-end,

Mark 4.26-34

DO STAY FOR REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE



CHILDREN'S SAFETY IN CHURCH

We are always pleased to welcome children into our church. We wish their experience to be enjoyable and safe but our buildings and grounds contain obvious and hidden hazards. Parents and carers remain responsible for the safety of their children or wards at all times whilst on our premises. Please ensure they are safe.

SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S

1st Sunday of the month: 10am Family Communion 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month: 10am Parish Communion with children's church 3rd Sunday of the month: 9am Holy Communion

10am Sacred Space with children's church

Weekday Services: Morning Prayer is said at 9am on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

CONTACTS FOR ST JOHN'S

Vicar: Revd Vicky Maunder vicar@stjohnskingston.co.uk or 020 8546 9882. Vicky works part time and is available on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sunday mornings.

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SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S

June

Sun 17 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Sacred Space & Children's Church

Sun 24 BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

10am Parish Communion & Children's Church

July

Sun 1 FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10am All Age Communion Service

Sun 8 SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10am Parish Communion & Children's Church

Sun 15 ST JOHN'S DEDICATION FESTIVAL

10am Parish Communion & Children's Church

Sun 22 MARY MAGDALENE

10am Parish Communion & Children's Church

Sun 29 NINETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10am Parish Communion & Children's Church

DATES FOR THE DIARY

June

Tues 12 7.30pm-8.30pm Bible Study Group

Sat 16 10.00-12.00noon Community Café

Tues 197.30pm-8.30pm Bible Study Group

Sat 23 Team Pilgrimage to St Alban's 10.00-12.00noon Community Café

St John's School Summer Fete

Tues 26 7.30pm-8.30pm Bible Study Group

Fri/Sat 29 & 30 Concert 'The Book of Thel' Opera

Sat 30 10.00-12.00noon Community Café

July

Tues 3 7.30pm-8.30pm Bible Study Group

Sat 8 10.00-12.00noon Community Café

Tues 10 7.30pm-8.30pm Bible Study Group

Wed 11 8.00pm PCC

Sat 14 Book Fair and Café

Tues 17 7.30pm-8.30pm Bible Study Group

Wed 18 2.00pm St John's School leavers service

Tues 24 7.30pm-8.30pm Bible Study Group

LITTLE GROOVERS our friendly parents/carers and toddlers/babies group will be meeting this Tuesday from 9.45-11.15am. £1.50 per family.

OUR COMMUNITY CAFÉ will be open this Saturday (and on the following two Saturdays in June) from 10.00-12.00noon giving an opportunity to spend time with friends and family or just relax. There will be a play area and other activities. We hope you will pop in during the morning to see us.

£1445 on the House-to-house collection plus £227 from Book Fair refreshments, individual donations and Neville's tin. It's still possible that a few more envelopes may come in, but meanwhile, this is a great result anyway. Those who rattled a tin on 19 May or contributed cakes may like to know that the street collection made £383.68 and the Market Stall the same day made over £400. Once again, huge thanks to all who contributed in any way.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR ORGANISER: We are looking for a couple of people to organise our Christmas Bazaar this year, would you be interested? There is plenty of support from previous organisers and church members. Speak to Vicky to find out more or if you'd like to help.

CONFIRMATION: Confirmation is a special service where a commitment to the Christian faith is made by adults and teenagers. In the tradition of the New Testament the candidates are anointed with oil, prayed for and the symbolic act of the laying of hands on their head is done by the Bishop as a sign of God's blessing and the gift of the Holy Spirit upon them and candidates receive the holy bread and wine, usually for the first time. Confirmation doesn't mean having the answers but making a step of commitment to doing your best to follow the way of Jesus, to open your heart to him and to find support in this in the church. There are preparation classes first to explore who Jesus is and what he teaches. You can attend the classes without being confirmed. If you'd like to be confirmed or to know more please speak to Vicky.

NEW BIBLE STUDY GROUP: The Bible is a fascinating, inspiring book with so much to tell us about God and human beings. Exploring it in an informal, open group is a great way to delve into its meanings, gain new understandings, wrestle with the tricky bits and deepen faith. We will be reading the Bible in the light of our human experience and our knowledge of the world today and everyone's contribution will be valued. You are welcome at this group whether you are reading the Bible for the first time or you know it by heart! The group meet on Tuesday evenings 7.30pm to 8.30pm and will meet for the first 4 Tuesdays of every month (not the 5th). We will start with Mark's gospel exploring a chapter every week and a different person will host each of the 4 sessions each month. For more information contact Gordon qfjump@gmail.com.

'THE BOOK OF THEL' OPERA IN OUR CHURCH on Friday 29th and Saturday 30th June. Written by William Blake, Music by Rolando Macrini, Conducted by Claudio Scarabottini. St John's is hosting the London premiere of a new opera based on William Blake's poem 'The Book of Thel'. The concert will include a diverse cast of singers and musicians as well as puppetry and projections and is a co-production between Three Bridges Theatre and Teatro Elio Centrico.

June 29th - 8pm (Doors open at 7pm for a free concert by Flutti Tutti with aperitives and wine available) June 30th - 8pm (Doors open at 7pm with aperitives and wine available)

Tickets are £15 General Admission, £10 Student Admission, £25 Premiere Admission (includes the Book of the Opera and glass of wine)

Tickets can be purchased at the door, or online at www.bookofthel.com

GDPR: As you are aware the new legislation has now come into effect and we are working to make sure we are compliant at the church. It is very important to us that data is treated respectfully and processed appropriately. A privacy notice with more information is available on our website and on the church notice board and you can withdraw from any communications you receive from the church at any time, just let Vicky know.

LOST PROPERTY: We have some items which have been left after a service or event and it would be good if they could be returned to their owners. They can be found on the table at the back of the church. Please check if anything belongs to you. Thank you.

WE ARE INVITED to the forthcoming public event which the Faith and Spirituality service at Kingston University will be hosting this term. The event is open to local people as well as students and staff. As usual, the event is free and does not require a ticket. Just come on the "night.

Faith & Spirituality Book Group meeting: Karl Marx, *The Communist Manifesto:* This will be led by Dr Simon Choat, Senior Lecturer in Politics and International Relations at Kingston University. Monday 18 June, 7-8:30pm. Drinks provided from 6:30pm but do bring sandwiches with you. Quiet Room, Faith Centre, Penrhyn Road campus.

CLEAVES ALMSHOUSES: Do you know anyone who might be eligible to live in Cleaves Almshouses? A hidden oasis in Old London Road in the heart of Kingston upon Thames. Accommodation is sometimes available. Please see notice with more information at the back of the church.

ST JOHN'S IS PART OF THE KINGSTON TEAM MINISTRY WITH ALL SAINTS IN KINGSTON TOWN CENTRE AND ST JOHN THE BAPTIST KINGSTON VALE.

NOTICES from our Sister Churches

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, KINGSTON

ASK Topical Lunch, Thursday 21st June. THE TIFFIN SCHOOL LUNCHTIME PROMENADE CONCERT. Young musicians perform on their different instruments. Enjoy Kingston's own prom. Lunch at the ASK East End Café from 12noon – or bring sandwiches. Starts 1pm; finishes 1:45 pm.

Kingston Churches Winter Night Shelter update. A total of 30 guests (plus 2 dogs!) used the Night Shelter during February and March and KCAH has so far helped 15 of them into other supported accommodation. Three others are currently staying with friends. Thanks to all who helped to support All Saints as a venue to enable this to happen. Also, up to 18 guests a night used 'The Haven' severe weather emergency shelter at Everyday Church in the depths of the winter. There will be more details when all the statistics have been collected.

Kingston Samaritans are celebrating 50 Years of listening this year. As part of our celebrations we are holding an Anniversary service in the church at 2pm on Saturday 16th June. Sir Edward Davey MP and the Mayor of Kingston will be taking part in the service. All are welcome to attend, so please come and join in our celebration and share tea and cakes after the service.

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BIBLE READINGS

2 CORINTHIANS 4.13-5.1

But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—'I believed, and so I spoke'—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL - MARK 3.20-end

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Jesus went home; and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin'— for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ