



Sunday 25th July 2021

This week's service

Today's service is led by Sean O'Toole with Sandra O'Toole preaching

This week's readings

2 Kings 4:42-44
Ephesians 3:14-21
John 6:1-21



A message from Sandra

This week's prayer focuses on Jesus' love for us. This is a greater love than any of us have ever known, even if we were blessed enough to grow up in a loving and supportive family. Christ's love is all forgiving, accepting us as we are, but caring enough to help us become someone better. He sees our weaknesses but does not condemn. In His presence we will always belong and can feel secure.

Our heart's response to such a love should be for praise to flow from our hearts together with a determination to serve Him with every part of ourselves.

Prayer for the week

I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge – that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Amen.

(From Ephesians 3 v 16 & 17)

How are Sunday services changing?

As from this week you no longer need to register for each service.

However because of the rise in Covid cases we are asking you to still wear a mask in church and adhere to social distancing.

We also encourage you to sing (while wearing a face covering!). We are hoping to gradually re-introduce live music. Please be patient with us as it's a long time since we had a group of musicians leading us in worship so we'll still be using a mixture of music videos and CDs during this process.

We won't be serving tea and coffee after the service yet.

The church will continue to be open for personal prayer and reflection on Saturday & Wednesday



A message from Stella

Thank you to all my friends in Swadlincote and in particular Emmanuel Church Swadlincote and St Peter's Church Hartshorne for all the cards, presents and especially the prayers and blessings I have received over the past two weeks. I will miss you all but know that you will continue to build God's kingdom in this town.

Stella's Licensing

The Revd Stella Greenwood will be licensed as Priest-in-Charge of Etwall and Egginton and Assistant Curate (known as Minister Responsible) of the parishes of Dalbury, Sutton on the Hill and Trusley (within the benefice of Boylestone, Church Broughton, Dalbury, Longford, Long Lane, Radbourne, Sutton on the Hill and Trusley), Diocese of Derby, on **Monday 23rd August at 6 pm** at St Helen's Etwall, by the Bishop of Repton assisted by the Acting Archdeacon of Derby.

Cleaning Rota

Now that we are slowly starting to return to a more normal sort of Sunday worship we need to think about keeping the church clean and safe to use. Please speak to Nigel if you would be willing to go on the cleaning rota, The more people who volunteer the lighter the load.

Banners

Sitting in church a couple earlier this month I looked over at the banner that I made a few years ago. It is the multi purpose one that I made for Remembrance Sunday with detachable poppies or flames for Pentecost. I thought, " that's not really appropriate now and it's a long time till November." Then on Sunday Gwen asked if I would do an arrangement of flowers for a wedding in September. Pondering this at home I thought it would be good to have some wedding banners to display in the summer months. I've made a start so watch this space! **Jane**

This newsletter

I will now be compiling this newsletter each week. It would be good to have more news from **YOU**. If you would like to contribute an item please let me know.

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Prayer Group

Ayesha has moved the time of the twice monthly prayer group on zoom. The group will meet for 40 mins to pray intentionally for the world and for local situations. If you would like to join, please contact Ayesha directly (07368224419)

The next meeting will be on 28th July at 7:00pm.



Hartshorne Scouts are looking for additional adult support in all sections;
Beavers (Monday 6pm - 7.15pm, ages 5 ¾ - 8),
Cubs (Friday 6pm-7.30pm, ages 8 - 10 ½) and
Scouts (Friday 7.45pm-9.30pm, ages 10 ½ - 14).

Training is provided free of charge as is the required DBS check. Further details can be obtained from Lindsey Littlewood, Group Scout Leader on lindsey.littlewood@southderbyshirescouts.

Hartshorne Scouts