



4<sup>th</sup> June  
2017

## Pentecost

Welcome to our services at  
St Nicholas' in Worth and  
St. Barnabas' in Pound Hill.

This sheet details the readings in today's services and notices for everyone. **It is for you to take home and share.** If you are here for the first time, please do introduce yourselves. Please feel free to use the soft toys and books at the back of the church for your children. At Communion, everyone is welcome to come up and receive a blessing or, if baptised, share the bread and wine. We'd also love you to join us for refreshments after the service.

## SERVICES TODAY

08.00 Holy Communion St Nicholas'

Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Gordon Parry

09.45 Sung Eucharist St Nicholas'

Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Gordon Parry

10.00 Eucharist St Barnabas'

Celebrant and Preacher: Revd Francis Pole

11.30 Messy Church St Nicholas'

Officiant: Greta Sawyer

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This Sunday is Pentecost the 'birthday of the church' when God sent the Holy Spirit on the disciples and they began their work of spreading the gospel. Luke speaks of wind and flames certainly something amazing happened as those frightened disciples were filled with courage and rushed into the streets of Jerusalem to tell people about Jesus. On that day God gave them a wonderful gift of communication with people from many different places. This meant that those who heard the message in their own tongue could take it home with them and so Christianity began to spread.

All it needs in our own day is for individual Christians to tell their friends and family about what it means to know Jesus. If we are frightened we just need to pray like those first disciples for the gift of the Spirit. God is faithful and promises to give us the words we need if we are willing to step out in faith. During the last 10 days Christians, all over the world have been praying 'Thy kingdom come'. Now it is time to step out and start spreading the word.

God loves us and longs for people to know his love. He sends the Spirit to help us and guide us so we have nothing to fear!

Julia

## Collect

God, who as at this time  
taught the hearts of your faithful people  
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:  
grant us by the same Spirit  
to have a right judgement in all things  
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;  
through the merits of Christ Jesus our  
Saviour,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

## First Reading

*Acts 2. 1 – 21*

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

## Psalm 104. 25 – 35, 37

## Second Reading

*1 Corinthians 12. 3b – 13*

No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to



another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

## Gospel

John 20. 19 – 23



Peace  
be with you.  
As the Father has  
sent me,  
so I send you."

John 20:21, NRSV

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. 'When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

## Post Communion

Faithful God,  
who fulfilled the promises of Easter  
by sending us your Holy Spirit  
and opening to every race and nation  
the way of life eternal:  
open our lips by your Spirit,  
that every tongue may tell of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## SERVICES THIS WEEK

Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> June	19.30 Prayer Group	St Barnabas'
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> June	10.30 Eucharist	St Barnabas'
Thurs 8th June	10.30 Eucharist	St Nicholas'
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> June	14.30 Julian Group	St Nicholas'
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> June	08.00 Holy Communion	St Nicholas'
	09.45 Sung Eucharist	St Nicholas'
	10.00 Eucharist	St Barnabas'
	12.00 Holy Baptism	St Nicholas'

## Readings for Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June

### Trinity Sunday

Isaiah 40.12-17,27-31

Psalm 8

2 Corinthians 13.11-13

Matthew 28.16-20

## Notices & Diary Notes

**Friday lunches** 12.30 in the Pastoral Centre, 2 courses + tea / coffee - £5.50. All welcome. Please order tickets by 7<sup>th</sup> June (for catering) for 9<sup>th</sup> June at the PC or call 0300 111 8150

### Julian Groups –

St Nicholas' 8<sup>th</sup> June 2.30pm

St Barnabas' 12<sup>th</sup> June. 11.00am

Old and new friends welcome

### Wed 14<sup>th</sup> June

Maidenbower 15.15

### Wed 28<sup>th</sup> June

St Barnabas 15.00

**Old and new friends welcome**



THY KINGDOM COME - PENTECOST  
**Sun 4<sup>th</sup> June shared Ecumenical Service** Friary Church, Crawley **15:00**  
including well-known hymns! Everyone welcome.



**Mon 5th June** Prayer Group  
meeting at **19.30**, St Barnabas'.  
Everyone welcome

**Sat 10<sup>th</sup> June**, 7.30pm a "Concert for a Summer Evening" at Holy Trinity, Forest Row in aid of the British Heart Foundation & Holy Trinity Church. Tickets £5 either from Simon Morris 01342 823940 or at the door.

**June 20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> Open Air play of the Life of Christ** at Wintershall, Bramley, Nr Guildford – see posters in churches.

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am** a meeting for **Pastoral Centre volunteers** (and would-be volunteers) in the Pastoral Centre.

**Sat 8th July Parish Summer Fair**  
at St. Barnabas, Sat 8<sup>th</sup> July 12.00-15.00 We are looking for raffle and tombola prizes as well as bottles (full) for the bottle stall, books and items for a Garden Stall, e.g. tools, pots, etc. There is a list of stalls, that we hope to have, at the back of both churches - please sign up to help us. Thank you.

**Cake Competition** at the Parish Summer Fair 8<sup>th</sup> July. Two categories ... under 12 years and over 12 years. Entry £1. More details to follow. Get practising!

**The St N Collection for Christian Aid** amounted to £155. Adding in Gift Aid the total is £185.25.  
Thank you all for your donations.

Ann L

### **Christian Aid Street & St B Congregation Collection**

The street collections raised £290.44.  
St. Barnabas Church congregation collection raised £232.62.  
The total collected was £523.06 of which 25 contributions were Gift Aided.

Don

Please note that whilst Sue is away on holiday, the office phone will only be manned on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Normal service will resume on 9th Jun.

### **CONTACTS**

During the interregnum the Rural Dean, the Revd Canon Julia Peaty & Church Wardens, Phyl Pennell and Gerald Sandwell, are the Sequestrators (responsible for clergy cover).

Also Revd Gordon Parry has offered his number 07802 43 23 98 if anyone specifically needs to talk with a member of clergy

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