

### A reading from the first letter of Paul to Timothy.

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

*1 Timothy 6.6–10*

### Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you – you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.'

*Matthew 6.25–33*



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**SUNDAY 3 OCTOBER 2021**

**Harvest Festival**



#### Collect

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

**Amen.**

#### Post Communion

Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### **SUNDAY 3 OCTOBER 2021**

**8am Holy Communion (BCP)**

**10am Parish Eucharist**

*followed by the Brownies Cake Sale*

#### **READINGS**

1 Timothy 6.6-10; Matthew 6.25-33

**HYMNS** 48, 736, 410, 510

**12 noon Baptism of Cecilia Pull**

#### Green Prayer

O Lord our creator God we look around and the world is still beautiful. Spring is coming with its green shoots and fat bracts. You are so good to us even though we truly don't deserve it. Man that you have made is destroying this beautiful gift with greed, wickedness and apathy. Forgive us Lord and show us the way to stop the rape of this planet. Help us to be true servants and to do what you so clearly told us to do in Genesis 2:15 and take care of the earth. As individuals but as your church as well. Let us work together to protect this small and vulnerable blue stone hanging in space and so fulfil the will of God. **Amen.**

#### **EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING**

**10am-12 noon Church open**  
for quiet prayer - all welcome

**SUNDAY 3 OCTOBER 2021**

**6.30pm Evensong (BCP)**

#### **READINGS**

Joshua 3.7-end; Matthew 10.1-22

**HYMNS**

125, 354, 599; Psalm 125

## FOR OUR PRAYERS

**Those who are ill or in need:** Hilary Brazier; Simon; Michael Green; Simon Finch; Nick Coke; Sarah Shah; Simon Kimber; Rita Allen;

**Those who have died:**

**Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:** Peter Clarke (2002); Jimmy Dixon (2017);

**Link Parish** of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Zimbabwe

### THIS WEEK

*(Parish office closed all week)*

**Wednesday 6 October:**

**10 till 12 noon** Quiet Prayer—Church open

**Thursday 7 October:**

**10.30am** Study School Harvest Service

**Saturday 9 October:**

**6.00pm** Changing Our Planet, in hall

### SUNDAY 10 OCTOBER

#### TRINITY 19

**8am Holy Communion (BCP)**

**10am Parish Eucharist**

**12.00 noon Baptism of Toby Barron**

**6.30pm Sung Evensong (BCP)**

**HARVEST FESTIVAL TODAY.** Please bring gifts of food to the 8am or 10am service. Collection money will go to A Rocha Kenya. Full details will be issued in a leaflet. **THE BROWNIES** will be holding a Cake Sale in support of the South London Refugee Association —do bring **CASH** to spend on their stall!

#### **WIMBLEDON FOOD BANK**

A reminder that we are inviting contributions to the Wimbledon Food Bank each week. They urgently need noodles, long life juice / squash, long life / uht milk, sugar (small bags 500g or 1 kg), toothpaste. They have plenty of pasta.

**AFGHAN REFUGEES** Thousands of Afghan refugees will be granted permission to resettle in the UK in the next few weeks following the Taliban's takeover of Kabul, the Government has advised. The Salvation Army takes new clothes, new toys and personal hygiene donations, and The Revd Bruce Rickards works with Salvation Army Colleagues at Heathrow Airport. Bruce is happy to transport any gifts from Christ Church on our behalf.

**CREATIONTIDE DISPLAY 2021 - Make a Prayer Boat**—Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Creationtide display this year. It's not too late to take part! In the lead up to COP26, as we celebrate and commit to care for Creation, please write a prayer, make a boat and sail it in our installation at the side altar.

**2021 CHURCH FINANCES UPDATE:** Despite the difficult conditions arising from the part closure of the church and the hall, the church finances in the first half of 2021 have been in balance. We have been greatly helped by a number of significant donations over and above the usual level of giving – and we are very grateful indeed to all of you who have been able to make additional donations – thank you very much indeed for your generosity. Fortunately, we have not had to do any major repairs so far and from September onwards we are hoping to expand the hall bookings. However, we have got to undertake some major work such as the pruning of the trees and the repair and redecoration of the vestry. In the autumn our 5-year electrical test is also due, which may require additional expenditure to bring our electrics in the church up to modern standards. The end result is that we are likely to have a deficit this year in operating income, so we ask for your continued support. In addition, to make progress with our finances we may be asking for donations to help with some of these capital projects. John Davey.

**MICHAEL BURNS** is very grateful to those who enabled him to be on holiday during September – particularly to the Revd Bruce Rickards, the Wardens and others as well as those who opened and closed the church on Wednesday mornings.

**FINANCES AT CHRIST CHURCH:** If you wish to contribute via your bank, the details of our CAF bank account, in the name of **The PCC of Christ Church, West Wimbledon**, are **Sort code: 40-52-40** and **Account number: 00029176**. Please can you put your name in the reference. Cheques can also be made payable to **The PCC of Christ Church West Wimbledon** and sent to **Christ Church West Wimbledon, 2. Cottenham Park Road, West Wimbledon, London SW20 0RZ**. Please note you must put in the full name of the account if you are setting up an online payment with your bank: **The PCC of Christ Church West Wimbledon**

**CHANGING OUR PLANET: Christian and Local Action. 6—8pm Saturday 9 October in Christ Church Hall.** A speaker evening in the lead up to COP26 with Q&A session organised by the Eco Church Group at Christ Church. Refreshments available. For more information please see the flier or visit [www.christchurch-westwimbledon.org](http://www.christchurch-westwimbledon.org) or email [ecochurchccww@gmail.com](mailto:ecochurchccww@gmail.com)  
**Tickets are free from [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/166175111231](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/166175111231)**

**The Parish Office** will be closed from Friday 1 October until Tuesday 19 October. Please contact Reverend Michael Burns or the Churchwardens in my absence. Thank you, Sara.

