

## A reading from the first letter of John

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

1 John 3.1-3

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

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.'

Matthew 5.1-12



CHRIST CHURCH, WEST WIMBLEDON

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Sunday 1 NOVEMBER 2020

ALL SAINTS' DAY



### Collect

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Post Communion

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Green Prayer

Father, we pray for a vision of your world as your love would make it:  
A world where the weak are protected and none go hungry or poor;  
A world where the benefits of life are fairly shared;  
A world where nations, races, cultures and religions live with mutual respect;  
A world where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love, and that we may have the courage and inspiration to play our part in building it.

**Amen.**

### SUNDAY 1 NOVEMBER

#### 8am BCP HOLY COMMUNION

(The Revd Judith Bersweden)

#### 10am PARISH EUCHARIST

(The Revd Judith Bersweden)

#### READINGS:

1 John 3. 1-3; Matthew 5.1-12

#### 6.30pm BCP EVENING PRAYER (said)

#### READINGS:

Isaiah 35. 1-9; Luke 9. 18-27

Psalm 15

### EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING

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



## FOR OUR PRAYERS

**Those who are ill or in need:** Michael Green; Hilary Brazier; Jenny Smith; Sarah Pitman; Joyce Smith; James Hannaford; Edith Bown; Christine Kernan; Sachin Shah;

**Those who have died:** Timothy Cole

**Those whose anniversary of death falls this week:**  
Monica Brown

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

### THIS WEEK:

**WEDNESDAY 4:** Church open from 10am to 12

**THURSDAY 5:** Soulscape at St Matthew's Church:  
7.30pm for 8pm

**SATURDAY 7:** Garden Working Party 10—12

### NEXT SUNDAY 8 NOVEMBER

#### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

**8am BCP Holy Communion**

**10am Parish Eucharist**

**11.00am Act of Remembrance**

**6.00pm Memorial Service—on Zoom**

**6.30pm BCP Evening Prayer (said)**

**COVID 19 UPDATE:** We look forward to seeing those who are able to attend or watch via Zoom.

### **HOWEVER:**

**Do not attend if you are unwell, self-isolating or experiencing any symptoms.**

**Do wear a mask, unless exempt.**

**Do keep your distance from those who are not in your household/bubble.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** at the end of the 10am service we ask that everyone leaves the Church without conversation—and then feel free to chat outside, keeping at a 2m distance and in a maximum group of 6. This is one really important change to our life to observe so that none are put at any unnecessary risk while in church—and complies with the new rules of Tier 2.

**TODAY—CHRIST CHURCH TRAIDCRAFT STALL** will be selling Advent calendars & candles and is stocked with Christmas cards, chocolates, wrapping paper and gifts as well as our usual coffees, teas, etc. Please support and buy fair trade after 10am service, keeping appropriately distanced and masked.

**ECO CHURCH AT CHRIST CHURCH:** Please sign the Climate Coalition's Declaration.

[https://www.tearfund.org/about\\_you/action/reboot\\_declaration\\_2020](https://www.tearfund.org/about_you/action/reboot_declaration_2020)

As part of our work towards an Eco Church Award, we are asking the Christ Church congregation to support Tearfund's Reboot Campaign. Tearfund are a Christian international development charity and this campaign focuses on rebooting the economy in a fair and sustainable way. Let the Prime Minister know how you feel.

**WIMBLEDON FOODBANK** is very busy and urgently need these items: Toilet rolls, Pasta Sauce, Noodles, Instant Mash, Sugar (500 grams), Tinned meat. Financial donations are also welcome but have to be sent direct to the foodbank Thank you.

**THE NEW GARDEN** has been inspiring us over the last few months. We would love it if other members of the congregation would be able to join us for a regular gardening group on the first Saturday of each month starting on **SATURDAY 7 November 10am-12pm**. The focus at this time of the year is on leaf clearing. If you think you could help please let Hazel or Caroline know in church or email Karen at the [chinns@btinternet.com](mailto:chinns@btinternet.com)

**GARDEN WORK** has been moving on apace. Thanks to everyone involved. There are some black bags for the local tip if anyone could take a few away with them?

**QUIZ NIGHT** We are very excited to be running another quiz night for Christ Church people on **Saturday 14 November**. The Darling Mark Adams quizmeister will compare the night again. It will run at 8.00pm and finish at 9.00pm. If you are a family unit – you can enter as one team. If you are living with another adult, again you can enter as one team. You can enter on your own, or if you want to, you can pair up with someone else. If you do this, you need to either be able to 'chat' on zoom to each other or be able to 'text' each other to discuss answers. All you need are pens and paper. Everyone is welcome! We will send the Zoom link out nearer the time.

**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY** – we will be observing our usual two minute silence at 11am, following the 10am service.

**ALL SOULS SERVICE**—Normally we also hold an evening service to remember and give thanks for the lives of those who have died, particularly in the preceding twelve months. This year we will be unable to hold the service in church. However, Michael will be leading a short commemoration on **SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8 at 6pm**, lasting about 15 minutes. There are two possible ways you may wish to be involved this year: You can pause at 6pm on Remembrance Sunday wherever you are, light a candle and remember privately, perhaps using the short service and prayers on the sheet which are available in church. Or you can link in via Zoom to the commemoration. If you want to do that, can you email Michael by **Thursday 5 November** and he will send you the Zoom link on Friday 6 November. You will be welcome to forward the Zoom link to any members of your family, but for security reasons, please restrict your circulation of the Zoom link to those you know. Note that there will be no reading out the names of those to be remembered, encouraging you to do that privately during the time of silence. The families of those who have died in this past year have also received a letter with a candle, outlining this year's arrangements.

**FINANCES AT CHRIST CHURCH** – Thank you to those of you who contribute financially to the life of Christ Church. Envelopes can be left in the offertory plate as usual. If you wish to contribute via your bank, the church bank details are: **PCC of Christ Church, West Wimbledon: CAF Bank. Sort code: 40-52-40. Account number: 00029176.** Cheques can be made payable to **PCC of Christ Church West Wimbledon and sent to the Planned Giving Officer, Christ Church West Wimbledon, 2 Cottenham Park Road, West Wimbledon, London SW20 0RZ.** If you require any further help, please contact in confidence our Planned Giving Officer, Lynda Coleman [lynda.coleman1@btinternet.com](mailto:lynda.coleman1@btinternet.com) Thank you. John Davey (Hon Treasurer)

**JUNIOR CHURCH AND STEPPING UP CHURCH** are currently suspended. At the back of Church on the round tables and on the rectangular table in the opposite corner there will be pens and paper for colouring. The Truman Room is also available for babies and very young children and their parents.