



# Weekly Notices

# Working out God's love in Crediton

## Sunday6th July

10.30am Morning Service in Church led by Rev Jeanette Richardson

Hymns: StF28 Jesus calls us here to meet Him

StF611 Brother, sister, let me serve you

StF279 O precious sight, my Saviour stands

StF662 Have you heard God's voice

StF447 Jesus be the centre

StF407 Hear the call of the Kingdom

Reading: Acts 16:11 – 15

or join the service from 10:00am on your computer or mobile app with Worship on the Web

Click here to join the meeting

or call in (audio only) - 020 4526 8593

Phone Conference ID: 419 576 441

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#### **Dear Friends** Psalm 150

I believe that our prayers matter, even that God can use the prayers we offer to fulfil His purposes in the world. Having said that, adoration is just as important and can be squeezed out when our list of things to pray for becomes so long we struggle to fit them all in. Sometimes though, we need to focus on God in Himself and praise Him for who He is. Why? Does He need us to pat Him on the back? Is He actually quite insecure and in need of our encouragement? Of course not! God will still be God whether we acknowledge Him or not! At the same time though, God created us out of love and in order to live in relationship with Him. If we turn our backs on Him, it genuinely grieves Him. Worship puts us in our right relation to God and makes space for Him in our lives. It's what we were ultimately created for and it is in that place of worship and devotion that our lives begin to be rightly ordered and we begin to be the people we are meant to be.

Psalm 150 finishes the book in a crescendo of praise in which all creation takes part. You could say that worship is the heartbeat of life and the wellbeing of the world relies on it beating loud and strong. The later Psalms suggest that everything, in all of creation, praise the Lord in its own way, with the pinnacle being the full throated praise of us humans. When we sing, and pray or just sit in God's presence in an attitude of loving devotion then we offer a firm repost to the darkness and brokenness of our world and say clearly that, despite it all, there is a reason to sing and celebrate, because a loving God is at the centre, has not abandoned His world, and ultimately, His way will prevail. Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

God bless, Ben

## IT'S THIS SATURDAY (12th July) - Our Annual Away Day

Do come if you can. It will be one of the last times having Ben with us and leading a session. See the programme further on in the notices and sign the list at the back of the church. Please meet with Hilary at the front of the church after this Sunday's morning service to finalise car share arrangements.

#### **CHURCH FAMILY**

We have recently heard that sadly Clarla Kerry has passed away. Our thoughts and prayers go to her family.

At this time of writing Bronwyn remains in hospital in a single room. She has stated that she is receiving no treatment but undergoing tests and hopes to be home over the next few days

#### FOR OUR PRAYERS AT HOME:

Loving Lord, so often we need your help on our journey of faith when we experience challenges in our lives. When our faith wavers and we stumble to understand events and wonder where you are in our lives, amazingly, there you are, you never give up on us, you call us back to you to experience your greatness, love, blessings and the assurance that all will be well. Lord you never fail us, forgive our wavering steps and doubts. AMEN

"Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you, who walk in the light of your presence, O Lord".

Psalm 89 v 15

#### SUICIDE AWARENESS

The Connexional Safeguarding Team is organising a webinar on the theme of "Suicide Awareness" on Tuesday 15 July from 11am - 12.30pm

This 90 minute webinar will be facilitated by David Brown, Head of Training and Development at If U Care Share foundation, a suicide prevention charity based in the North East of England. The webinar will cover: An introduction to suicide prevalence; Language around suicide; Impact of suicide; and Available support. Please sign up for the webinar here: <a href="https://www.methodist.org.uk/safeguarding/webinars/suicide-awareness-webinar-tuesday-15-july-2025/">webinars/suicide-awareness-webinar-tuesday-15-july-2025/</a>

If you or anyone else you know is personally affected, you could contact: <a href="https://www.samaritans.org">www.samaritans.org</a> www.giveusashout.org

LUNCHEON CUB will next meet 11th July12:30pm at The Waie Inn please add your name to the list if you wish to attend or contact Margaret Kenshole

# AWAY DAY TEMPLE CHURCH ,BUDLEIGH SALTERTON SAT 12 th JULY 10 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.

- \*10.00 a.m. onwards coffee, welcome and introduction from a member of Temple Church.
- \*11 a.m. Opening session led by Ben Haslam & Barbara Greenwood
- \*12.30 p.m. Lunch break (bring a packed lunch)
- \*1;30pmAfternoon walk along the estuary or relax/chat/crafts
- \*3.00 p.m. Tea and cake
- \*3.30 p.m. Closing session led by Ben.

Week beginning Saturday 5th July			
Sat 5th July	10:00-11:30 am	Together 4 Coffee donations for Church Funds	
Sun 6th July	10:30 am	Café Church in church or on the Web led by Rev Jeanette Richardson	
Mon 7th July	8:00am	Start the week in prayer in church or wherever you are	
	3:30—5:00pm	Big Top	
	7:30pm	Discipleship contact Cathy	
Tues 8th July	7:30pm	Stewards Meeting	
Wed 9th July	10:30am	3Ls Discipleship	
Fri 11th July	10:00 -12:00pm	Coffee and Chat	
Sat 12th July	Away Day	No Together 4 Coffee	
Sun 13th July	10:30 am	Worship in the Church or on the Web led by Lloyd Smale	

#### **DIARY DATES**

Saturday 12th July - "Away Day" to Budleigh Salterton Sunday 20th July 4.30pm. Circuit Farewell Service for Rev Ben at Wonford MC Sunday 27th July 10:30am Rev Ben's last service at Crediton. Followed by a Church Lunch.

## CREDITON FOODBANK requests this week;

Long life cartons of fruit juice. Tinned meat meals (not baked beans and sausages please as we have a few of these) pulses and tuna. Biscuits, crisps, chocolates/sweets.

Microwavable flavoured rice pouches Disposable razors

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