



Weekly Notices

Sunday 1st February

10:15 for 10:30am Cafe Church in Church
led by Jon Curtis

Hymns: StF177 Lo He Comes With Clouds Descending
STF707 Make Me A Channel of Your Peace
STF712 Put Peace Into Each Other's Hands
STF407 Hear The Call Of The Kingdom

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Readings: Matthew 5:1-12 (The Message translation)
Micah 6:8

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or join the service from 10:00am on your computer
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Dear Friends,

As I sit looking at this, it could be any where in the world. Many of you know where I am, but for those who don't, I wonder if you can hazard a guess; India, Mauritius, Bali, anywhere in the Caribbean.

How deceptive photo's can be. These days blemishes can be airbrushed out and the colour enhanced to make it look more vibrant and attractive.

We most probably all have a photo of our favourite place. A place where we can feel safe and secure. We feel comfortable and at home. We know the place so well it feels like coming home. We don't have to explore or try something new. We know the local area so well that we know the best place to have a meal, cup of coffee, go for a walk or find that special place in the sun and out of the wind.

Elijah found a safe place, where God met him.

Moses had a safe place, when as a baby he was put in a basket.

Jacob was at peace when he laid his head on a pile of stones and he met angels

All the disciples felt at home around Jesus, though it was not always comfortable.

Peter found peace on the beach when Jesus met with him and said, "*Do you love me more than these*" and Peter replied, "*You know that I love you*".

Today we would say that we can meet with Jesus anywhere anytime, but I believe we all have our own special place that we can meet and talk to Jesus, as our Friend, Saviour, Helper, Confidant and King.

As you may have guessed, one of my special places away from home is the Isles of Scilly and my own precious place where I can rest and talk to God about everything and in turn find myself praising Him for who He is and what He has done for each one of us and for all creation.

We have heard on the news that King Charles, has recently been part of a film about being part of creation and in harmony with it, that being close to nature can bring healing. Looking, feeling, seeing, smelling can help us relax and allow our worries to drain away, it can bring us closer to God and nature can show us how much God loves and cares for us, as we look at all he has created. Nature can have a very real healing effect on all our lives. Blessings, Tina

FOR OUR PRAYERS AT HOME:

Heavenly Father, as we mark the end of Christmas and Epiphany, we remember the time when Jesus was brought to the Temple by his parents. There he was recognised by Simeon and then Anna as a "*light for revelation to the Gentiles.*"

Thank you Lord for being a constant light throughout the world transcending time and space. Lord of all you are the strength in our lives, the light leading us forward and our salvation. You are the light which no darkness can quench. AMEN

"Simeon took Him (Jesus) in his arms and praised God saying : Sovereign Lord, as you have promised you now dismiss your servant in peace. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of the people, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel".

Luke 2 v 28-32

FRIDAY FOCUS 6th February at 2.30 p.m.

The theme for this month's Friday Focus is "Travelling with Three Johns". Tea and home made cake will be served and all are welcome.

CHURCH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Church Council will be held on Tuesday 10th February at 7.00pm in the Epworth Room.

At that meeting the various appointments (other than the stewards) for the next year will be discussed. On the notice board at the back of the Church, is a list of the current appointments. There are a number of vacancies which need to be filled and it would be good to have additional volunteers to take on these positions and spread the load of responsibilities.

Many of the positions are not onerous and if you would like to know more about any post in particular, please speak to me or one of the stewards.

John Ashley – Church Secretary

Week beginning Saturday 31st January

Sat 31st Jan	10 - 11:30 am	Together 4 Coffee donations for Disaster Emergency
Sun 1 st Feb	10:15 for 10:30 am	Cafe Church in Church or on the web led by Jon Curtis
Mon 2 nd Feb	8 am	Start the week in prayer in Church or wherever you are
	3:30-5pm	Big Top
Wed 4 th Feb	10:30 am	3Ls Discipleship in Church
Fri 6 th Feb	10 am - 12 pm	Coffee and Chat
	2:30pm	Friday Focus
Sat 7 th Feb	10 - 11:30 am	Together 4 Coffee donations for Church Funds
Sun 8 th Feb	10:30 am	Morning worship in Church or on the web led by Revd. David Greenwood

CHURCH FAMILY

Birthday greetings to Glennys who celebrates a special birthday this week, we send our love and best wishes to her.

CREDITON FOODBANK requests this week:

Tinned carrots and ham, Bags of microwave rice, Pot noodles
 Long life cartons of fruit juice, Chocolate spread, Marmalade
 Washing Up Liquid

Contact Details

A CHURCH STEWARD

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