

WORTHING CHRIST CHURCH Grafton Road, Worthing

ORDER OF SERVICE



The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Sea Sunday – The Mission to Seafarers 10th July 2022 10.30am

Morning Prayer led by Derek Hansen

1st reading: Deuteronomy 28: 1 - 14 read by Gwen M 2nd reading: Acts 28: 17 - 31 read by John B Intercessions led by Steven L

The Organ Voluntary after our Service today is: Allegro – Alla Hornpipe – Minuet from Water Music Suite II in D by G. F. Handel, 1685-1759, London

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A Service of Morning Prayer

Preparation Please stand

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you *All* and also with you.

O God, you summon the day to dawn, you teach the morning to waken the earth. For you the valleys shall sing for joy, the trees of the field shall clap their hands. For you the monarchs of the earth shall bow, the poor and persecuted shall shout for joy. Your love and mercy shall last for ever, fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.

All Great is your name. Great is your love.



Opening Hymn [444]

Choir please note vs 4 is omitted from the hymn book

God is working his purpose out, as year succeeds to year: God is working his purpose out, and the time is drawing near: nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be, when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God, as the waters cover the sea. From utmost east to utmost west, wherever feet have trod, by the mouth of many messengers goes forth the voice of God: 'Give ear to me you continents, ye isles give ear to me, that the earth may be filled with the glory of God, as the waters cover the sea.

What can we do to work God's work to prosper and increase the love of God in all mankind, the reign of the Prince of peace? What can we do to hasten the time, the time that shall surely be, when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God, as the waters cover the sea?

All we can do is nothing worth unless God blesses the deed; vainly we hope for the harvest-tide till God gives life to the seed: nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be, when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God, as the waters cover the sea.

The Family of God

We have come together as the family of God in our Father's presence, to offer him praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive his holy word, to bring before him the needs of the world, to ask his forgiveness of our sins, and to seek his grace, that through his Son Jesus Christ we may give ourselves to his service.

O Lord, open our lips.

All: and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

All: O Lord, make haste to help us.

Praise the name of the Lord.

All: the Lord's Name be praised.

CONFESSION [Please sit or kneel]

The word of God is living and active. It judges the thoughts and intentions of the heart. All is open and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we give account. We confess our sins in penitence and faith.

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All God our Father, long-suffering, full of grace and truth, you create us from nothing and give us life. You give your faithful people new life in the water of baptism. You do not turn your face from us, nor cast us aside.

We confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbour. We have wounded your love and marred your image in us. Restore us for the sake of your Son, and bring us to heavenly joy, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from our sins, and restore us in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *All* **Amen**.

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

All We dwell in him and he in us.

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name, *All* make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him,

All and speak of all his marvellous works.

Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God almighty, *All* who was and is and is to come.

BLESS THE LORD (Tune 493) [Please stand to sing]

1.Bless now your fathers' God And praise his glorious name: Within heaven's holiest place His wondrous works proclaim. With angel hosts eternally Lift up your hearts to him on high.

2. Between the cherubim From heavenly realms above He scans the depths of space, The God of power and love: With angel hosts eternally Lift up your hearts to him on high.

3. Upon his royal throne He reigns as Lord and King: To heaven's eternal heights Your loyal homage bring: To God the Holy Trinity Lift up your hearts eternally.

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The First Reading [Please sit]

Deuteronomy 28: 1 – 14

If you fully obey the LORD your God and carefully follow all his commands that I give you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. All these blessings will come upon you and accompany you if you obey the LORD your God:

You will be blessed in the city and blessed in the country.

The fruit of your womb will be blessed, and the crops of your land and the young of your livestock – the calves of your herds and the lambs of your flocks.

Your basket and your kneading trough will be blessed. You will be blessed when you come in and blessed when you go out.

The LORD will grant that the enemies who rise up against you will be defeated before you. They will come at you from one direction but flee from you in seven. The LORD will send a blessing on your barns and on everything you put your hand to. The LORD your God will bless you in the land he is giving you.

The LORD will establish you as his holy people, as he promised you on oath, if you keep the commands of the LORD your God and walk in his ways. Then all the peoples on earth will see that you are called by the name of the LORD, and they will fear you. The LORD will grant you abundant prosperity – in the fruit of your womb, the young of your livestock and the crops of your ground – in the land he swore to your forefathers to give you. The LORD will open the heavens, the storehouse of his bounty, to send rain on your land in season and to bless all the work of your hands. You will lend to many nations but will borrow from none. The LORD will make you the head, not the tail. If you pay attention to the commands of the LORD your God that I give you this day and carefully follow them, you will always be at the top, never at the bottom. Do not turn aside from any of the commands I give you today, to the right or to the left, following other gods and serving them.

At the end the reader may say:

Here ends the First LessonAll Thanks be to God.

Worship Songs Please stand to sing

As we are gathered, Jesus is here; one with each other, Jesus is here; joined by the Spirit, washed in the blood, part of the body, the church of God. As we are gathered, Jesus is here; one with each other, Jesus is here.

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Song 2

Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning, give me oil in my lamp I pray; give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning, keep me burning till the break of day. Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the King of kings! Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the King!

Give me joy in my heart, keep my singing, give me joy in my heart, I pray: give me joy in my heart, keep my singing, keep me singing till the break of day. *Refrain*

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving, give me love in my heart, I pray; give me love in my heart, keep me serving, keep me serving till the break of day. *Refrain*

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The Second Reading

Acts 28: 17 – end

Three days later he called together the leaders of the Jews. When they had assembled, Paul said to them: 'My brothers, although I have done nothing against our people or against the customs of our ancestors, I was arrested in Jerusalem and handed over to the Romans. They examined me and wanted to release me, because I was not guilty of any crime deserving death. But when the Jews objected, I was compelled to appeal to Caesar – not that I had any charge to bring against my own people. For this reason I have asked to see you and talk with you. It is because of the hope of Israel that I am bound with this chain.' They replied, 'We have not received any letters from Judea concerning you, and none of the brothers who have come from there has reported or said anything bad about you. But we want to hear what your views are, for we know that people everywhere are talking against this sect.'

They arranged to meet Paul on a certain day, and came in even larger numbers to the place where he was staying. From morning till evening he explained and declared to them the kingdom of God, and tried to convince them about Jesus from the Law of Moses and from the Prophets. Some were convinced by what he said, but others would not believe. They disagreed among themselves and began to leave after Paul had made this final statement: 'The Holy Spirit spoke the truth to your forefathers when he said through Isaiah the prophet:

"Go to this people and say, 'You will be ever hearing but never understanding; you will be ever seeing but never perceiving.' For this people's heart has become calloused; they hardly hear with their ears, and they have closed their eyes. Otherwise they might see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their hearts and turn, and I would heal them."

'Therefore I want you to know that God's salvation has been sent to the Gentiles, and they will listen!'

For two whole years Paul stayed there in his own rented house and welcomed all who came to see him.

Boldy and without hindrance he preached the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ.

At the end the reader may say:

Here ends the Second LessonAll Thanks be to God.

Sermon [Sit] A short period of silence is kept.

Apostles' Creed [Please stand]

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN [470]

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.I, who made the stars of night,I will make their darkness bright.Who will bear my light to them?Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. my hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain CCLI 2765 Dan Schutte b. 1947* © 1981 Daniel L. Schutte and New Dawn Music

A prayer for Ukraine, Russia and peace

O God, it is your will to hold both heaven and earth in a single peace. Let the design of your great love shine on the waste of our wraths and sorrows, and give peace to Ukraine, peace among nations, and peace in our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *All:* **Amen**

Collect

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *All:* **Amen**

Prayers of Intercession

at the end, a short period of silence is kept, and then:

Merciful Father,

All Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.

At the end of our prayers we pause for a moment

Final Hymn [413]

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm hath bound the restless wave, who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea. O Christ, whose voice the waters heard and hushed their raging at thy word, who walkedst o0n the foaming deep and calm amid the storm didst sleep: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Holy Spirit, who didst brood upon the waters dark and rude, and bid their angry tumult cease and give, for wild confusion, peace: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power, our brethren shield in danger's hour; from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them wheresoe'er they go: thus evermore shall rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

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Conclusion

Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world: draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *All* **Amen.**

BLESSING

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and keep us in eternal life.

All Amen.

All The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ. *All* **Thanks be to God.**

Our thanks to Derek Hansen for leading our service of Morning Prayer today

Donations can be made to the work of the 'Mission to Seafarers' by marking the envelope '<u>MS</u>'

Please stay for coffee and a chat after the service

Contact us: Church Wardens: *Kenneth Hobbs* email: <u>christchurchfinance@btinternet.com</u> *Steve Davis* email: <u>christchurchvolunteers@btinternet.com</u> Parish Administrator: *Janine Hobbs* email: <u>christchurchadmin@btinternet.com</u>

Archaeology/History Walk in Worthing

On Wednesday 13th July, Alex will hold the last of his walks for Christ Church in Worthing, A fishing history of Worthing. It starts at **10am** and will end up at Christ Church for the Coffee Morning. Meet outside coastguard office on the seafront. If Wednesday is rained out, It will take place on Wednesday 27th instead.

Any enquiries, my telephone number is 07753 282714 or email <u>alexeclipsing@gmail.com</u>



Remember Prayer the peoples and leaders of Ukraine, Belarus & Russia, the sick, the lonely, the recently bereaved and all in local nursing and care homes.

Fund raising for Missions!

The mission we are supporting this week is Hope Now.

Please do come along for a chat over a cuppa Tuesday and Wednesday 10.30am – 12 noon and Thursdays 2.30 to 4pm.

Please note that the money donated at coffee during the week will be sent to the mission of the week.

CHRISTCHURCH FOODBANK

If you are able, please would you donate **anything from the list by the collection baskets** so the volunteers can assemble identical packages Also please check everything is "in date". Baskets are either side of the cross aisle in the middle of the church. **THANK YOU!**

Bible Study Group in Christ Church

The next Christ Church Bible study group will take place on Tuesday 2nd August at 10.30am in the Organ Vestry, as there is a PCC meeting at 12.30pm on that day. Ken Hobbs will be leading, and all are welcome! From September onwards, it will take place on the first Tuesday of each month at 12 noon in Waters' Hall. It will be led by Ken Hobbs or Revd Maurice Slattery

Christ Church Reordering:

The reordering is now complete, and we are already enjoying the new space!. The PCC will soon be deciding on tables, chairs and other additions to make this into a welcoming space. If anyone would like to make a contribution towards the cost of the additional improvements, please speak in confidence to the Treasurer, Ken Hobbs.



Services in July



14 th	10.30am BCP Holy Communion with The Revd Maurice Slattery
17 th	10.30am Holy Communion with The Revd Roger Walker 6pm BCP Evensong with The Revd George Butterworth
24 th	10.30am Morning Prayer with Derek Hansen
28 th	10.30am BCP Holy Communion with The Revd Yvonne Murphy
31 st	10.30am Holy Communion with The Venerable Chris Skilton

CHRIST CHURCH WORTHING Services and Events...



Wednesday 27th July 12.30pm to 1.30pm Richard Bowen Classical and Jazz Guitarist

Saturday 13th August at 2pm a Classic Film with an intermission with choc ices, and tea and cake following

Wednesday 24th August 12.30pm to 1.30pm Composer Ben Solomon

Sunday 28th August following the morning service – bring your own **picnic lunch** and share time together!

Christ Church Market- 10.30am to 2.30pm Saturday 3rd September

Wednesday 21st September 12.30pm to 1.30pm John Collins' Organ Recital as part of the celebrations for Christ Church's 179th Anniversary

Wednesday 19th October 12.30pm to 1.30pm A Barbershop Quartet

Sunday 4th December 10.30am A service of Holy Communion with the start of the Christmas Tree festival - Let there be light!

Christ Church Family Lunches – Come along on the 1st Wednesday of every month to a Family Lunch. We will serve a choice of cuppa soups and a roll, fruit, tea or coffee and biscuits. Donations welcome if you are able. Come and enjoy time together on Wednesday 3rd August in Waters' Hall at 12.30pm



We will be serving Ploughman's Lunches from 12 noon and John Collins and Andrew Eggleton will be entertaining everyone with organ and piano music.

The Tower will also be open – dry weather permitting!

Donating for Ukraine:



The UK Government has announced that it will match all donations made to the **DEC** [Disasters Emergency Committee] up to £25,000,000.

Donations can also be gift aided.

You can do this online at

www.dec.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-humanitarian-appeal

By Post: Please make your donation payable to the DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal, PO Box 999, London EC3A 3AA.

At your local Post Office: Donations can also be made to DEC appeals at your local Post Office branch.

DEC MEMBER CHARITIES:

Action Against Hunger; ActionAid;

Age International; British Red Cross; CAFOD;

Christian Aid; CARE; Concern;

Oxfam; Plan;

International Rescue Committee;

Save; Tearfund; World Vision; Islamic Relief





Praying for the Peace of the World

In peace let us pray to the Lord. We pray for the leaders of the nations, that you will guide them in the ways of freedom, justice and truth.

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer**.

We pray for those who bear arms on behalf of the nation, that they may have discipline and discernment, courage and compassion.

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer**.

We pray for our enemies, and those who wish us harm, that you will turn the hearts of all to kindness and friendship.

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer**.

We pray for the wounded and the captive, the grieving and the homeless, that in all their trials they may know your love and support.

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer**.

Most holy God and Father, hear our prayers for all who strive for peace and all who fight for justice and, as we commend to you lives lost in terror and conflict, bring us all, in the end, to the peace of your presence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**