

PEW NEWS

Sunday 5th October 2025

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

WELCOME

Please stay for refreshments after the 10.30am service. At this service there are activities and learning for primary school aged children in the Den. The President will call them forward when it is time to join the group.

NOTICES

Church Open

Church is open on Friday mornings from 10.30am to 12 noon. Crafty Coffee will therefore take place this Friday, 10th October. All welcome to bring your handicrafts and work alongside others or just have a coffee and chat.

Midweek Holy Communion

The Vicar and Churchwardens would like to reintroduce a midweek Holy Communion Service and would like to know if anyone would like to attend and which day and time (morning or afternoon) would suit. Please speak to Dianna, Deglan or Hilary. Thank you.

Rushmoor Heritage Festival 12 to 21 September

Huge thanks are due to Colin for planning and conducting the guided tours, and to a small team of volunteers who welcomed visitors for the whole of the Festival.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Last Friday we raised £337.70 for Macmillan Coffee Morning. A huge thanks to the volunteers who made the cakes and to all who attended and donated.

Harvest Supper and Harvest Festival last weekend

Thanks to so many people for making our Harvest a really special one. In addition to the Harvest offering, we raised £210.00, for the work of North Guildford Foodbank and the Larder Foodbank. Special thanks to Daryl and Carole for organising the supper and Auction of Puddings, to Judith and her team for the beautiful floral arrangements in the church and to Felicity for the amazing Harvest loaf.

Refreshments after the 10.30am services

We all enjoy having a chance for chat and refreshments after the 10.30am service. The group of those preparing and serving could do with a few more volunteers. Could you consider offering one Sunday a month? To find out more what's involved please speak to those on duty this morning. Thank you!

Church Hall Work Day

Saturday 11th October, at 11 am. Work needed in both the garden and in the hall. Please see Daryl if you are able to help.

Half term Family Lunch Club – opportunity to help

During half-term North Camp Methodist Church provides a family lunch club on Tuesday 28th, Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30 October. Volunteers are needed to greet guests, participate in children's activities and, importantly to cook. Their cook has just had to pull out. To find out more please speak to Dianna.

Prayer Matters

If you would like the church family to pray for a loved one, please seek their permission to have them included on our prayer list. It is not necessary to print surnames. You may also wish to remember someone at their Years' Mind. For further information please speak to Dianna.

Readings for next Sunday 12th October

2 Timothy 2.8-25; Luke 17.11-19

TODAY'S COLLECTS AND READINGS

Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear
the prayers of your people who call upon you;
and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do,
and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

Old Testament Habakkuk 1.1-4, 2.1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you 'Violence!' and you will not save?

Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous, therefore judgement comes forth perverted. I will stand at my watch-post, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

New Testament 2 Timothy 1.1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God - whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did - when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our

works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Gospel Luke 17.5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' The Lord replied, 'If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

'Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the table"? Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink"? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!" '

Post Communion Collect (10.30am only)

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love you with our whole heart
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen