



01 OCTOBER 2023

TRINITY 17 – HARVEST SUNDAY

09.30 am FAMILY SERVICE

11.00 am HOLY COMMUNION

With an activity table by the lectern

ST BARNABAS CLAPHAM COMMON

CHURCH FOR ALL - INCLUDING YOU

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WORSHIP

OCTOBER

- 01st 09.30 Family Service
11.00 Holy Communion
- 08th 11.00 Morning Worship: Preacher Rev David Page
followed by light buffet lunch
- 15th 11.00 Holy Communion: Preacher Bishop of Kingston
- 19th 12.15 Taize Prayer & Communion
- 22nd 09.30 BCP Communion: Preacher Rev Gerard Rundell
11.00 Morning Worship: Preacher Rev Gerard Rundell
- 29th 11.00 All Age Morning Worship

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Sunday Groups **Splash** [Rec to Yr6] **Youth** [Yrs 7 to 13] has resumed with a new youth programme for Sunday mornings and Friday nights. Check the board for more details.

Children and young people are welcome to stay in church during all services. There is an activity table for the younger ones by the lectern.

MIDWEEK

Daily Prayers Monday to Thursday, 12.00- 1.00pm

Taize Communion service Thursday 19 October, 12.15pm

PLACE OF WELCOME

Every Thursday 10am-12pm the Claris Hall opens as a *Place of Welcome* – welcoming people to a place where they can feel safe to connect, belong and contribute. Open to all.

GROUPS

BARNEY'S TODDLER GROUP

Barney's toddler group runs term time, on Monday and Wednesday mornings (9.30-11.00) for mums, dads, grandparents and their little ones.

SENIORS' ACTIVITIES

Keep On Moving classes: Every Tuesday at 2pm

Lunch Thursday 05 October, 1pm

NOTICES

HARVEST Sunday 01 October

We are collecting today for Ace of Clubs and will accept donations until Wednesday – the church opens at 12pm every day.

#125 – Rev David Page, Preacher, Sunday 08 October

Next Sunday, we welcome David back to St Barnabas. The service will be followed by a light buffet lunch of Caribbean food.

#125 – Birthday Parties & Gift Days: 14 & 15 October

Ending the *125 Days of Celebration* in style, please come to a *Joint Birthday Party* (Church and Vicar) in church from 7.00pm on Sat 14th Oct AND our *Gift Day Morning Worship* with the Bishop of Kingston, +Martin, on Sun 15th Oct at 11.00.

GLASSDOOR Fundraising

As Glassdoor gears up for this winter's Nightshelter, here are 2 fundraisers to support: the young people Sleep Out and Rachel's half marathon on the 8th! Please check the noticeboard for details.

ARTS & FAITH Tuesday 10th October, 7.30pm

Join Rev Blatchley & Friends at the next Battersea Deanery Synod Meeting in the Ascension Church about the Nine Elms Arts Ministry.

AN EVENING WITH ROB PARSONS Weds 08 November

We are welcoming back best selling author and Care for the Family founder Rob Parsons for a night of storytelling and timeless wisdom! Find out more and book tickets at cff.org.uk/robparsons. Speak to Sandrine to receive a discount code.

SAFEGUARDING

If you have concerns about someone being at risk or causing a risk, please speak in confidence to Sandrine, the Parish Safeguarding Officer. A *Safe Church* which details safeguarding procedures is available for reference at the back of the worship area.

GIVING TO CHURCH

Your donations enable everything we do. On Sundays, you will find a collection plate for cash and envelopes as well as a card reader on your way out. Putting your cash donation in a blue envelope will enable us to claim gift aid on it. For regular giving, or to fill in a regular giving gift aid form, please visit our giving page by clicking on the QR code or speak to Sosy or Sandrine.



THE BIBLE READING Exodus 17.1-7 (NRSVA)

17 From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?' ³But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' ⁴So Moses cried out to the LORD, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' ⁵The LORD said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the LORD, saying, 'Is the LORD among us or not?'

This is the Word of the Lord:

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD

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THE COLLECT

Creator God,
you made the goodness of the land,
the riches of the sea
and the rhythm of the seasons;
as we thank you for the harvest,
may we cherish and respect
this planet and its peoples,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE GOSPEL READING Matthew 21.23-32 (NRSVA)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew:

ALL: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD

²³When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' ²⁴Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven", he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?"' ²⁶But if we say, "Of human origin", we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' ²⁷So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord:

ALL: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST

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PEOPLE FOR OUR PRAYERS

We pray for those members of this church who are unable to attend:

Julie Joseph, Marva Braham, Alvy & Hawthorne Crawford, Mrs Reynolds, Dorcas Mattheson, Mrs Simpson, Esther Ayigbe, Pearl Foster, Lena O'Dwyer, Rebecca Lawrence & Hillary Thompson.

We continue to pray for the health of Olive Harlequin, Earl Wilson & Nkem Anigbo.

And we pray for Sharon's family in the US, following the recent death of her father, Claude.

OPERATIONS

Enabling the church's mission and ministry

WORSHIP & PRAYER

Spiritual growth through active involvement

MISSION & EVANGELISM

Faith in action that makes a difference to others

FINANCE

Investing in God's plan for St Barnabas

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