

# Notices and Reading 18 July 2021: All Saints, Stranton Church God's Blessing as we gather in Church and online

## Rooted in God's love, Growing together with Jesus, Branching out in the Power of the Holy Spirit

Some services will continue to be streamed LIVE on Facebook pages, or Stranton web pages at the times shown below, and afterwards as online web page videos.

# Seventh Sunday after Trinity (Green)

## Streamed to Facebook...

9.00am	Holy Communion, Stranton	Revd Norman	Stranton		
9.15am	Holy Communion, St Luke's	Mother Gemma			
10.45am	Mass, St Aidan's	Mother Gemma	St Aidan's		
11.00am	Holy Communion, Stranton	Revd Clive/Revd Norman	Stranton		
2.00pm	Sunday Club on-line with Kate ( <a href="https://www.facebook.com/strantonsundayclub/">https://www.facebook.com/strantonsundayclub/</a> )				

**Readings:** Ephesians 2: 11-22 Mark 6: 30-34 53-56

9.30am Wednesday Holy Communion BCP Revd Norman St Luke's

Words and Songs for 11 am Holy Communion below

# Collect for Trinity 7:

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

## Post Communion:

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,

ever giving himself that the world may live:

may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion

that, in his saving cup,

we may share his glory and be made perfect in his

love;

for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen



# 2 Ephesians 2: 11-22 (NIVUK)

- <sup>11</sup> Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called "uncircumcised" by those who call themselves "the circumcision" (which is done in the body by human hands) <sup>12</sup> remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup> But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ.
- <sup>14</sup> For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, <sup>15</sup> by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, <sup>16</sup> and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. <sup>17</sup> He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. <sup>18</sup> For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.
- <sup>19</sup> Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, <sup>20</sup> built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. <sup>21</sup> In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup> And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

# Mark 6: 30-34 / 53-56 (NIVUK)

- <sup>30</sup> The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup> Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a guiet place and get some rest."
- <sup>32</sup> So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. <sup>33</sup> But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. <sup>34</sup> When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.
- <sup>53</sup> When they had crossed over, they landed at Gennesaret and anchored there. <sup>54</sup> As soon as they got out of the boat, people recognized Jesus. <sup>55</sup> They ran throughout that whole region and carried the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. <sup>56</sup> And wherever he went—into villages, towns or countryside—they placed the sick in the marketplaces. They begged him to let them touch even the edge of his cloak, and all who touched it were healed.

## **Intercessions**

- We pray for your peace, justice and reconciliation where there is conflict and division among the nations, praying for the situation in Israel and Palestine.
- We pray for national and local leaders: for wisdom in day-to-day decisions regarding the pandemic: for health, safety, and wise use of resources.
- We pray for the care of all affected by the pandemic, for wisdom for the decision makers concerning the roadmap to ease the lockdown; we pray particularly for health and care workers, the police and community wardens, small businesses and local employers, and all who are seeking work.
- We pray that we may be a Community of Hope that we may reach out with love and hope to the
  vulnerable and marginalised. Pray for Emma, Jess and Jo, our Communities of Hope team as their work
  continues amongst the needy in our community, and that we may find ways in which to become involved.
- We pray peace and healing for all who are unwell in body mind or spirit, for those awaiting medical treatment, or are in hospital or recovering at home. We pray for those in isolation. We pray for those in care homes.
- We pray for all those who mourn.

### ATTENDING CHURCH FOR WORSHIP

Despite generally improving public health, there is still a quite high risk of transmission of infection and new variants: we still need to follow the guidance to care for each other even after COVID-19 vaccination, including (if required to quarantine or showing symptoms) self-isolating and not attending church.

- If you are attending a church service do please try to come early to avoid congestion and delays at the entrance as the service starts. Please (if you can) scan the NHS QR code poster using the NHS COVID-19 app.
- Please sanitise hands on entry and exit, and as you are directed for receiving Communion
- We ask you to register as you come in for "tracing". A register of attendees will be kept for three weeks.
- Holy Communion is offered by intinction (wafer dipped in wine).
- The Sunday service will be displayed on the screens.
- There will be no congregational singing, but a small worship group will sing for us
- After the service, please meet outside, continuing to maintain distance and allowing other people to leave
- The use of face masks is **mandatory** during worship.
- Maintain two metre distancing families/"bubbles" may sit together
- Seating is sanitised between services. Access to toilets is available if absolutely necessary, but please follow the guidance provided on cleaning
- If you become unwell with COVID-19 like symptoms within the week after attending a church service please advise a member of the clergy or a churchwarden so that the contact list information from that service can be used for test and tracing purposes.
- There will not be a collection taken but you may leave an offertory in the basket as you come in.

PCC is meeting on Tuesday and we will be discussing how we respond to moving to the next stage of the governments 'Roadmap'. We remain concerned to ensure everyone is safe when attending worship and will only introduce any changes gradually, particularly because the infection rates are so high in the North East.

#### **NOTICES:**

**Helping in Church Services:** We are hoping to reintroduce a rota for reading, interceding and welcoming at the 11 am service soon. If you are interested in helping out please chat with Maureen or contact her using the church office telephone or email below.

## **Stranton Sunday Club Online**

Sadly, our face to face Sunday club is cancelled this week due to unforeseen circumstances. However, it has been rescheduled for the 1st August. We will be looking at the story of Noah's Ark and will be having a celebration since it is the last Sunday club of the term. If you wish you may dress up as an animal - whether this is a simple pair of ears, whiskers or wearing a full costume.

Our online Sunday club session will be available as usual.

Enjoy,

Kate. Stranton Sunday Club Leader

## **Open Church Saturday Mornings**

Starting on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2021 church will be open each Saturday morning, 10:00 to 12:00, for visitors and for those wishing to receive some pastoral support or prayer. If you would like to be part of the team of people doing this please talk with Rev Michelle (07564 029010).

## Confirmation

There is a confirmation planned at St Aidan's Church on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July. Please contact one of the clergy if you are interested.

**COMMUNITIES OF HOPE: COMMUNITY FUN DAY** TUESDAY 27th July 10.30 – 1.30, at St Lukes Church. Jess has asked for volunteers most importantly to <u>help at this event</u>, and for refreshments, please would our bakers provide cakes etc. (Contact Jess, 07878984749) Here is the link for families to book to attend: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/163158955829

## Fundraising Challenge: Tehran - Hartlepool in 61 days

We are gathering a team who are aiming to walk, cycle, run, scoot, wheel, swim, etc the equivalent distance from Tehran to Hartlepool over August and September to raise money for the Asylum Seeker and Refugee Group (run by Hartlepower). (That's 3,655 miles!) This is not just for the super-fit - all ages and abilities are encouraged to participate in whatever way would be a challenge - whether that's 5 miles walking or 100 miles cycling per week! Sign up to the team

here: <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Zw4Y2ZL5blsVCsZqfgOsABkFn0yh26MH5zJBwvlDck8/edit">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Zw4Y2ZL5blsVCsZqfgOsABkFn0yh26MH5zJBwvlDck8/edit</a> and email Rachel with any questions: <a href="mailto:rachel@stranton-church.org.uk">rachel@stranton-church.org.uk</a> Link to sponsorship page to be circulated shortly.

**Letter from Norman and Julie.** Norman and Julie shared a letter with PCC regarding their future plans this week. The full text of the letter is being distributed with this notice sheet.

# Nine Days of Prayer 24th July -1st August

Patricia Watson has prepared some prayers for the 9 days at the end of July. Hard Copies of her suggestions will be in Church.

## **Asylum Seeker English Practice**

Classes cannot resume just at the moment due to Covid restrictions not being lifted but Roger Say is keen to reopen the classes as soon as it becomes possible.

## **Streaming 11:00 am Sunday Services**

The 11:00am service is now being streamed to <a href="https://youtube.com/channel/UCMNoiSa2KGgGWkzIi62VFcA">https://youtube.com/channel/UCMNoiSa2KGgGWkzIi62VFcA</a> A link will be shared by Facebook.

## Parish Giving – how to support the mission and ministry of Stranton Church

The Parish Giving Scheme has been updated and it is now possible to join this direct debit scheme through the scheme's website. The link for Stranton church is <a href="https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/stranton-all-saints-ts24-7qt/">https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/stranton-all-saints-ts24-7qt/</a>. We do still welcome and give thanks to those who give by standing order and / or envelopes but there are additional costs involved in these older methods. It is also still possible to join the scheme by obtaining a form if you prefer a paper application. If anyone has any questions about the scheme please let me know.

David Craig, Hon. Treasurer: email - treasurer@stranton-church.org.uk

# **Live online Services for w/c 21<sup>st</sup> June** Facebook addresses are below.

- Mother Gemma will stream Mass at 9.15am from St Aidan's each morning on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. The 9.30 communion will also be streamed from St Luke's.
- If you would like to access a night prayer **Lectio 365 have introduced a daily night prayer** accessible by down loading the app. The Church of England has also introduced an audio version of Morning Prayer.
- Zoom Morning Prayer at 8.30am Monday to Friday. Contact Revd Norman for details.

### Facebook and Web Addresses:

https://www.facebook.com/aidancolumba/ https://www.facebook.com/strantonsundayclub/ https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsstranton/ https://stranton-church.org.uk/videos.html ) https://www.facebook.com/stlukeshartlepool www.stlukeshartlepool.org/coronavirus)

## Parish Contacts: Church office please telephone or email.

For Stranton Church Tel 07305 550009 Email: admin@stranton-church-org.uk

Norman or Julie Shave: Tel 01429 233609 Email: nshave1@btinternet.com

More information on our web site http://www.stranton-chrch.org.uk and Facebook page)

### **Stranton Church**

Family Communion 18th July 11am

Welcome in the name of Christ. God's grace, mercy and peace be with you And also with you.

Loving God, we have come to worship you. Help us to pray to you in faith, to sing your praise with gratitude, and to listen to your word with eagerness; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart. Come, just as you are, to worship. Come, just as you are, before your God. Come.

One day every tongue will confess you are God. One day every knee will bow. Still the greatest treasure remains for those Who gladly choose you now.

Confession

Father, forgive us:

Response: save us and help us.

Words of forgiveness

## Collect

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Birthdays and celebrations

Whether you're one or whether you're two or three or four of five, six or seven or eight or nine it's good to be alive.

It really doesn't matter how old you are, Jesus loves you whoever you are.

La la la la la la la la, Jesus loves us all. (shooby, dooby, dooby) La la la la la la la, Jesus loves us all.

Whether you're tall or whether you're short or somewhere in between,
Whether your hair is dark or fair he loves us all the same.
It really doesn't matter how tall you are,
Jesus loves you whoever you are.

Bible reading: Ephesians 2: 11-22

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel reading: Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

And at the end
This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

**Prayers** 

Merciful Father,

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

The Creed

response: I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

We believe and trust in one God
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you **And also with you.** 

Make me a channel of your peace, where there is hatred let me bring your love; where there is injury, your pardon, Lord; and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved, as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace, where there's despair in life let me bring hope; where there is darkness, only light; and where there's sadness, ever joy.

Make me a channel of your peace, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving of ourselves that we receive; and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own do we give you. The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself.
When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.

You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us. He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

Father, we do this in remembrance of him; his body is the bread of life.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.

Father, we do this in remembrance of him; his blood is shed for all.

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.

With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's prayer

Breaking of bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

### It's your blood that cleanses me,

It's your blood that gives me life. It's your blood that took my place in redeeming sacrifice And washes me whiter than the snow, than the snow: My Jesus, God's precious sacrifice.

Jesus Christ, I think upon your sacrifice; You became nothing, poured out to death. Many times I've wondered at your gift of life, And I'm in that place once again. I'm in that place once again.

And once again I look upon the cross where you died. I'm humbled by your mercy and I'm broken inside.
Once again I thank you, once again I pour out my life.

Now you are exalted to the highest place; King of the heavens, where one day I'll bow. But for now, I marvel at this saving grace, And I'm full of praise once again. I'm full of praise once again.

Thank you for the cross, thank you for the cross, Thank you for the cross, my friend.

### Prayer after communion

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Notices

#### Jesus put this song into our hearts,

Jesus put this song into our hearts. It's a song of joy no one can take away, Jesus put this song into our hearts.

Jesus taught us how to live in harmony, Jesus taught us how to live in harmony. Different faces, different races, He made us one. Jesus taught us how to live in harmony.

Jesus taught us how to be a family, Jesus taught us how to be a family. Loving one another with the love that He gives; Jesus taught us how to be a family.

Jesus turned our sorrow into dancing, Jesus turned our sorrow into dancing. Changed our tears of sadness into rivers of joy, Jesus turned our sorrow into a dance.

La, la, la, la .....

Blessing

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord In the name of Christ. Amen.