HARVEST SUNDAY

this year will be held on Sun.11th October as part of our Morning Worship. Steve Hosker will be bringing us the harvest message. We can give thanks to God for



His generosity to us, by donating tins & store-cupboard items (with long use-by dates) and they will be received gratefully in church on Saturday, 10th October from 10am-11am for the Food-bank (or on Sunday)

Now we are back in church.....

let us not forget our social responsibility to our fellow Christians abroad. At the back of church there are some donation tubes for Kanzi Kibera Friends (food programme for slum schools in Nairobi) please take one to fill with coins. Helen will offer any information required.



JESUS AND....We have new Partners for CMS known to us as **H&M**. CMS CHANGING They work in North Africa, and their situation is politically sen-IVES sitive. They have learned the local language and work alongside community projects: M leads outdoor pursuits in the mountains whilst

building relationships and discipling new Christians: H home-schools their four children and teaches healthcare & first-aid to local women.

More details for our prayers to follow. I f you would like to offer a 'welcome' gift. please put it in an envelope, clearly labelled and place on the offertory plate. Gift Aid can be claimed on all donations.

Chris & Suzy Wilson, Abigail, Matthew and Micah (CMS- Ethiopia) continue to need our prayers as they settle in Bristol (where Chris will study for a Masters' degree) for several months until it is safe to return to Gambella.

Vacancies.

It is great news that two vacancies have been filled since last month. Martin Unwin will take over from David Town as Hall Lettings Officer and Carol

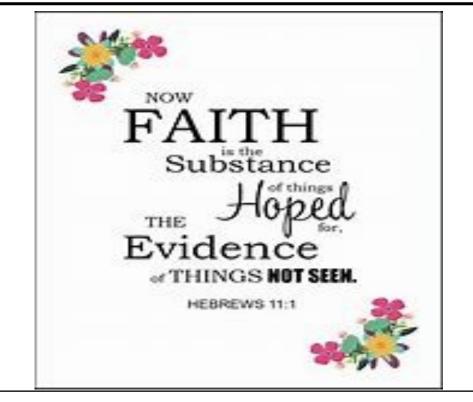
Hosker has kindly offered to be our Electoral Roll Officer. A big thank you to both Martin and Carol for taking on these roles. AND Thanks to David Town for years of service to the church also to Lvn Franklin for her service as Electoral Roll Officer.







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SUNDAY SERVICES

10:00am Holy Communion

1st and 3rd Sundavs

2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays Morning Worship

Oct. 25th 3pm Alan's Licensing (NO Morning Service)

WEDNESDAY

9:45am Church open for prayer

10:30am Holy Communion BCP

DEAR FRIENDS

As we go into Autumn we find ourselves once again nationally with the prospect of a second wave of Covid 19 and maybe even a local lockdown. How are we feeling - afraid or nervous and in fear of the future?

For the past two weeks, in my daily reading of the Bible, I have been going through the book of Hebrews, a letter written to Jewish Christians but just as applicable to us today.

Paul the Apostle reminds the readers that faith is the key to living when life gets tough, for it is by faith that we please God. We maybe cannot see a way ahead in life sometimes, perhaps through serious illness or bereavement. But by placing our trust and waiting for God, we find we are in a place of peace perhaps when we least expect it.

Paul points out to the Hebrews, and also to us, to look back at the men and women who placed their faith and trust in God, and even though they went through testing times, God was there for them by the power of the Holy Spirit, just as that same power of the Holy Spirit is there for you and me today. So let us use the toolbox of faith: **READ**, **PRAY**, **BELIEVE**, then let us see what God does in our lives.

Blessings and stay safe

Alan Buckley, Lay Minister

Due to the Coronavirus, all special calendar social events, are on hold. We will endeavour to keep you updated on changes that might happen, subject to Government and Bishop's directives.

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N.B. Fr. Tom is always available to offer private prayer, particularly in cases of illness, or times of distress, both to members of the congregation, and also all who live in this parish.

WHAT'S ON IN OCTOBER

Services as advertised on the front sheet.

The church is open for prayer every Wednesday 9 45am-10 30am.

4th APCM following the service

- 11th 10 am Harvest Service
- 25th 3 pm Alan's Licensing with Archdeacon Pete Spiers

NO MORNING SERVICE

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

On Sunday 4th **October**, after the service of Holy Communion, we shall be holding our <u>APCM</u>. This meeting is open to everyone. As well as reports on how the church has functioned, there are opportunities to serve the church in various capacities, such as the PCC, or perhaps by being a Welcomer, or other vacancies that arise.

Have a word with the Church Wardens, to see what might be appropriate for you

FOODBANK Now the church is open, **please support the Foodbank by leaving items in the basket in the porch.** Or, if you wish to support financially, please send cheques to Southport Foodbank at Lakeside Church, North Promenade. or Online to Sort-code:40-42-30 A/c no. 42087391



FOR OUR PRAYERS

- Those recovering from recent sickness or undergoing long-term treatment.
- Those who are housebound and their carers.
- The families of those recently bereaved:
- Members of the congregation who are vulnerable in this present situation; or being cared for in residential homes.
- Father Tom, Alan and the leadership team as they seek God's plan the way forward for the Church, and seek to support the congregation at present and develop opportunities for mission.
- Our Prime Minister, his Cabinet and special advisors for wisdom to minimise the suffering of the nation, and how to cope with handling the situation for those having caught the virus, and to stop its spread.
- For those in business and work as things open up again : pray for wisdom and commonsense in maintaining health and safety for all, especially for children and staff in their new school term.