

## South Woodham Ferrers



*In Christ, loving and  
serving God's world*

29th July 2018 Trinity 9

Welcome to our 10.00 am service today. If you have a hearing aid, please select the 'T' switch position and benefit from our deaf loop, which is directly linked to the microphones. Please join us for tea/coffee in the school hall after the service.

Readings: 2 Kings 4: 42-end John 6: 1-21

Prayers

Hymns A&M : 357, 430, 623, 652

Intercessions may be written in the blue folder (on the pulpit before service starts). The folder will be placed on the altar during the service. If you have a prayer request to be read aloud during the Sunday 10.00 am service, write it clearly on a piece of paper and hand it to whoever is listed above as leading the prayers.

**Happy Birthday to**

**Eve (16) on 31<sup>st</sup> July**

**Anne on 31<sup>st</sup> July**

**From all at Holy Trinity**

*N.B. due to new data protection rules full names are no longer published*

**This week at Holy Trinity**

**(See separate leaflet for ALL regular services)**

**Services this week**

Thurs 8.30am Morning Prayer Meeting at East Hanningfield

Thurs 10.00am Joint service lay led followed by coffee in the meeting room,

Thurs 11.00am Prayer Meeting – Methodist led

Sun 7.45 Holy Communion (on 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Month)

10.00am Eucharistic Service

**VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE** Phew! What a scorcher!' used to be the headline that we looked forward to every summer. I remember when the temperature went above 70F (21C) we would consider it a hot day. Of late the temperature has rarely dropped below 80F (27C). As this heatwave continues we must take care of ourselves and of each other. I was talking to a friend recently, whose wife is a medical professional. She and her

colleagues say that the key to survival is to drink water and drink lots of it. In fact, drinking more water can apparently resolve many of our aches and pains. And if you DO start drinking lots of water, any unfortunate side effects (like needing the loo), will soon wear off if you establish drinking water as a habit. Water is a recurring theme in scripture. From Isaiah (12:3) 'With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.' Amos (5:24) 'But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.' Water in the Bible is refreshing, cleansing, bubbling, flowing. In baptism we emerge from the waters to new life. All these analogies work, because water is a wonderful, it can do all these things, and may be the answer to many ailments. Our faith too, cleanses and refreshes us – and should bubble and flow from us to others. If the heat is getting you down - I think the best advice comes from Genesis (18:4) 'Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree.' If life is getting you down, then consult John (4:14) 'But whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.' **Reverend Carol**

**Men's Gathering - New space for men**

**Town Crier SWF Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2018  
7.30 in the back room (Big Screen & dart board)**

**Time for fun, getting to know each other better, first drinks on me.**

**For further details contact Ashley John  
07709 571331**

**You are invited to a Parish Meeting  
Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2018 11.30am in the school hall after the service.**

This meeting is to look at current activities and plan for the future. In preparation for the meeting please complete your questionnaire and hand to Revd Carol or one of the wardens by 29<sup>th</sup> July (even if you are not planning to attend the meeting). **Lunch will be provided, and we will finish at 2.30pm** If you are joining us, for catering purposes please add your name to the list.

## Decaffeinated Tea/Coffee

We now have decaffeinated tea and coffee available after the 10.00am Sunday service. If you would like decaff tea or coffee just ask.

## Reflective Service Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August

at 11.30 followed by a shared lunch (cost £3.00) at 12 noon. We invite you to this service of quiet prayer and reflection in the company of God. It provides a space for contemplation and the opportunity to light a candle in memory of loved ones

## Quiz Night

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October Quiz Night.

## **WE NEED SOME EXTRA PEOPLE TO ACT AS SIDES PERSONS AND MAKE COFFEE**

(not at the same time!) Sides persons greet people as they arrive at church, hand out service books etc. and generally be a friendly and welcoming presence, as people arrive. Coffee makers provide that welcome cuppa at the end of the service. Both roles are on a rota, so its not every week, but both roles are a valuable part of our Sunday morning service and a great way for you to support the church. We will show you what to do, so don't worry if you are unsure. If you are interested or would just like to know more, please contact Margaret, Gill or Janice.

We are also looking for people to do intersessions. Prayers can be read out of a book, so you don't have to write them yourself.. If you feel that you may be able to do this please speak to Revd. Carol or church wardens.

**SWF Foodbank** open Wednesdays, 1000-1200 at New Life Church, Clements Green Lane. Emergency food for people in crisis, without which family cupboards would be empty! Donations welcome; please put in labelled box on round table in HT's meeting room. Many thanks to donors. Peter Blackman, HT Coordinator; [peter@blackmanservices.co.uk](mailto:peter@blackmanservices.co.uk) or 01245 322079.

**Priority items** : Tinned Potatoes; Sponge Puddings; Pasta sauce; Mashed Potato:

**Then** Fruit juice (long life): Bottles of Squash:  
Tinned Fish: Tinned Meat: Tinned Rice Pudding:  
Tinned Fruit: Small & Large Jars of Coffee.

**Other items needed:** Washing Powder or Liquid (small & medium): Ladies deodorants

## CONTACTS

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## Churchwardens:

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**Parish Administrator:** Sarah Presley 325049 or email: [htparishadm@outlook.com](mailto:htparishadm@outlook.com) to put items in this newsletter please send to: [swfangnews@googlemail.com](mailto:swfangnews@googlemail.com) or phone Sarah 325049. Deadline is Wednesday 5pm.

**For all Baptism / Christening enquiries –**  
Sheila Jenkins 01245 321739

## Don Wragg, Webmaster

Web site :

<http://www.holytrinityswf.org.uk/anglican/>

## Compass Churches

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July & 13<sup>th</sup> August** -Sandon Community Choir meets every other Monday in St Andrew's Church, Sandon CM2 7RQ at 7.30pm. Open to all ages and requires no previous experience. £5.00 – pay as you go!

Open afternoon at St Mary's Church Woodham Ferrers on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month – **5<sup>th</sup> Aug, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sep 2.00- 5.00pm** with homemade refreshments available throughout the afternoon and finish with a Service of Evensong at 5.30pm

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August** – Tea on the Green at Sandon 3.00 to 5.30pm, with guest speaker Nigel Bolitho. As last year, we will be on The Green from 3pm when tea, coffee and cake will be served. At 4pm we will be joined by the Chelmsford Salvation Army Band for a Songs of Praise. Do join us and make something to sit on. Please book this date in your diary so you do not miss it!