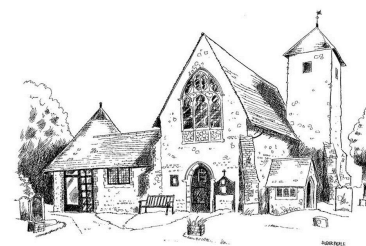


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**Worship – A view from the balcony**

A different view this week, looking down from the balcony onto the main nave and sanctuary. Thank you to Geraldine for all the wonderful photographs.

I thank God that after more restrictions being brought in this past week we are still able to meet to worship. It has been wonderful to once again be able to worship together. I am aware that there are still a number of people that are not yet able to meet back in church and I miss you.

Please do contact me if I can be of any help or if you would like me to visit you. I can visit you at home as long as we keep a social distance between us. I am also more than happy to stand in an outside doorway or meet in a garden if the weather is good enough. I will happily wear a visor or mask and live by the mantra 'face, hands, space', with a bottle of gel always in my pocket. We must all do our bit to keep this virus at bay, but it is going to be tough I know. Always try to think of a positive before a negative, positive thoughts are so much better for our well-being. I am reminded of a song I used to sing when I was a child *'The journey of life may be easy may be hard, they'll be dangers on the way. With Christ at my side I'll do battle as I ride 'gainst the foes that would lead me astray.'* Life may seem to be a battle at the moment BUT REMEMBER, Christ is always beside you and especially in the darkest of times.

**Harvest Thanksgiving**

Our Harvest service will take place next Sunday at 10am. This year we will collect produce that will be given to the Community Cupboard here in West Kingsdown. If you would like to donate some packets, tins, or toiletries to this worthy cause and have not already brought them to church please do so this Wednesday afternoon Any fresh produce should be brought to the Rectory on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> and can be left in our porch. The church will be decorated with floral arrangements and the produce from the Harvest celebrations that will be taking place in West Kingsdown C of E School as well as donations from our own congregation. The Harvest Display will be left in church until late afternoon on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October, allowing people to come and visit during the church opening time of 2-4pm. This especially gives an opportunity for those unable to attend the service to come and view our beautiful church.



## Morning Prayer

If you would like to follow the Morning Prayer liturgy you can either download the 'Daily Prayer' app onto your smartphone or go onto the Church of England website on your iPad, tablet, laptop or computer [www.churchofengland.org](http://www.churchofengland.org) click on **Prayer and Worship** and then on the drop down box click on **Join us in a service of Daily Prayer**. Scroll down until you find Morning Prayer and click on it. The whole text including the psalms Old Testament and New Testament readings are included. For those of you that may still be using the printed order that I sent out or are doing other forms of prayer but still like to know what the daily readings they are listed below.

Date	Psalms	Old Testament	New Testament
28.09	44	1Kings 12:25-13:10	Acts 19:8-20
29.09	34, 150	Daniel 12:1-4	Acts 12:1-11
30.09	119:57-80	1 Kings 17	Acts 20:1-16
01.10	56, 57	1 Kings 18:1-20	Acts 20:17-38
02.10	51, 54	1 Kings 18:21-46	Acts 21:1-16
03.10	68	1 Kings 19	Acts 21:17-36
04.10	128, 129, 134	Isaiah 49:13-23	Luke 12:1-12

## Birthdays



Last week I wished **Marion Dethridge** a very **Happy Birthday** not realising that she celebrated a special birthday with a zero on the end. I hope you had a wonderful **80<sup>th</sup>** Birthday Marion. This week we have three more birthdays to celebrate. **Birthday wishes** go to **Hilary Wilder** on the 27<sup>th</sup> and **Judith Driscoll** and **Angela Beale** both share the same day 30<sup>th</sup> September. I hope you all have a wonderful time whatever you may do.

## Get Well Wishes

We send Get Well wishes to Brian Dethridge who had hip replacement surgery last Tuesday. The operation went well, and Brian is now on the road to recovery. Keep up with the exercises Brian.

## Lego Cards

It's that time of year again when Sainsburys give away Lego Cards. If you are offered any and are not collecting them for anyone else Brian Collier would be very grateful to receive them for somebody whom he knows. Please give them directly to Brian.

## APCM

A reminder our APCM will take place on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2020** at **11.15am** in church. You do not need to book your place but it would be very useful if you could please phone Angela (851325) and indicate your intention to attend (socially distancing still needs to be in place and so knowing numbers is important). **We need to elect the following Churchwardens**

These are elected each year. Angela Beale is happy to continue to stand, Rosemary Gray is standing down after 10 years of service, which I thank her for (more will be said at the meeting). I have also had an offer from somebody who is willing to stand.

## **Deanery Synod Representatives**

We have space for two representatives on synod who are elected for a three year term.

## **PCC Representatives**

We have nine members on PCC who sit for a term of three years. These members are elected on a rolling programme of re-election with three standing down each year. Once you have served a three year stint you cannot be re-elected for a year.

The **election forms** for church warden, deanery synod and PCC representatives are **available from me**. I will have some with me after church but do contact me if you would like one and I can either email it to you or post it through your door. **If you are interested in standing for any of the vacancies and would like to know what the role involves please contact me.**

**The updated Electoral Roll** and the **Annual Report & Accounts** are posted both at the back of church and on the website. If you are not able to view the website and would like a copy please contact me and I will make sure you receive a hard copy.

I hope you have a good week and look forward to meeting up with some of you very soon.

**Every Blessing Rev Sarah**