

WHAT'S ON AT ST JOHN'S

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mon. 1 July	8.00 a.m	MONDAY MARKET 'OPEN CHURCH'
Mon. 1 July	7.00 p.m	Monday Night House Group
Sat. 6 July	9.00 a.m	Men's Breakfast Teaspoons Café, Shiphay
Sun. 7 July	10.00 a.m	Morning Worship

Please note our Administrator, Sonia will be on holiday Monday & Tuesday this coming week returning to the Church office **Thursday 4 July**. Thank you.

St John's Sunday School will break for Summer (last session being Sunday 21 July). We give thanks to Paul & Cathy, leaders for all they have achieved.

Dear Father in heaven, thank You for those who minister to the children and young people in our Sunday School classes. May they be filled with the Holy Spirit and have the ability to guide their students into a thorough knowledge of Your Word and the plan of Salvation. Grant them wisdom to lay a firm spiritual foundation in the lives of those they teach. May these classes be places where Jesus is lifted high. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Suggestions for your prayers/praise

Please pray for Rev Paul, Jacqui and Deborah.

Pray for St John's during Rev Paul's absence.

Pray for our Nation in light of the forthcoming General Election.

Please pray for our Monday Market — for its ministry, that St John's is recognized as a community hub.

As we approach the summer holidays pray for school children, teachers and students and continue to uphold those sitting exams and awaiting results.

Please pray for our Sunday School, leaders and young folk and we thank God for the opportunity to teach others more about him.

At this time of year when family, friends and neighbours are away on holiday let us look for God's love and protection to travel with them, and return them safely home.

Pray for those who will be holidaying in Torbay over the next couple of weeks.

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, SHIPHAY

'A caring fellowship seeking to share the life and love of God'
Sunday, 30 June 2024

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'WELCOME'

We warmly welcome you to our Worship this morning.

We are glad you have chosen to come along to this service especially if this is your first visit to St. John's.

We really hope you will stay and join us for Fairtrade coffee and refreshments after the service this morning.

Music

Great is the darkness that covers the earth

King of Kings, majesty

When I feel the touch

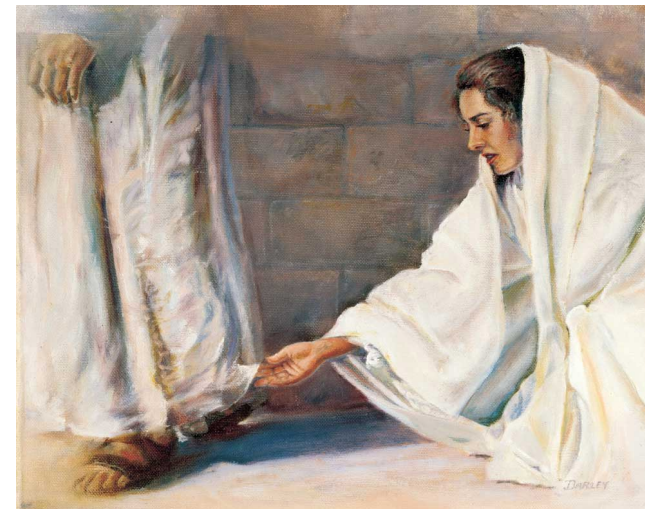
I love you, Lord

Offertory There is a Redeemer

Communion O God you search me and you know me

Be still, for the presence of the Lord

My Jesus, my Saviour



*For you who fear
my name, the Sun
of Righteousness
will rise with
healing in his
wings. And you
will go free, leaping
with joy like calves
let out to pasture.
Malachi 4:2*

2 Cor.8.7-end

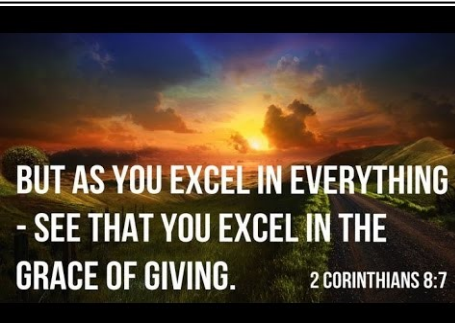
⁷ But since you excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you^[a] – see that you also excel in this grace of giving. ⁸ I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. ⁹ For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

¹⁰ And here is my judgment about what is best for you in this matter. Last year you were the first not only to give but also to have the desire to do so. ¹¹ Now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to your means. ¹² For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have. ¹³ Our desire is not that others might be relieved while you are hard pressed, but that there might be equality. ¹⁴ At the present time your plenty will supply what they need, so that in turn their plenty will supply what you need. The goal is equality, ¹⁵ as it is written: ‘The one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little.’^[b]

Titus sent to receive the collection

¹⁶ Thanks be to God, who put into the heart of Titus the same concern I have for you. ¹⁷ For Titus not only welcomed our appeal, but he is coming to you with much enthusiasm and on his own initiative. ¹⁸ And we are sending along with him the brother who is praised by all the churches for his service to the gospel. ¹⁹ What is more, he was chosen by the churches to accompany us as we carry the offering, which we administer in order to honour the Lord himself and to show our eagerness to help. ²⁰ We want to avoid any criticism of the way we administer this liberal gift. ²¹ For we are taking pains to do what is right, not only in the eyes of the Lord but also in the eyes of man.

²² In addition, we are sending with them our brother who has often proved to us in many ways that he is zealous, and now even more so because of his great confidence in you. ²³ As for Titus, he is my partner and fellow worker among you; as for our brothers, they are representatives of the churches and an honour to Christ. ²⁴ Therefore show these men the proof of your love and the reason for our pride in you, so that the churches can see it.



Jesus raises a dead girl and heals a sick woman

²¹ When Jesus had again crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake, a large crowd gathered round him while he was by the lake. ²² Then one of the synagogue leaders, named Jairus, came, and when he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet. ²³ He pleaded earnestly with him, ‘My little daughter is dying. Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live.’ ²⁴ So Jesus went with him. A large crowd followed and pressed round him. ²⁵ And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years. ²⁶ She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse. ²⁷ When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸ because she thought, ‘If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed.’ ²⁹ Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering.

³⁰ At once Jesus realised that power had gone out from him. He turned round in the crowd and asked, ‘Who touched my clothes?’

³¹ ‘You see the people crowding against you,’ his disciples answered, ‘and yet you can ask, “Who touched me?”’

³² But Jesus kept looking around to see who had done it. ³³ Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth. ³⁴ He said to her, ‘Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering.’

³⁵ While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. ‘Your daughter is dead,’ they said. ‘Why bother the teacher anymore?’

³⁶ Overhearing^[c] what they said, Jesus told him, ‘Don’t be afraid; just believe.’

³⁷ He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James. ³⁸ When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. ³⁹ He went in and said to them, ‘Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep.’ ⁴⁰ But they laughed at him.

After he put them all out, he took the child’s father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and said to her, ‘*Talitha koum!*’ (which means ‘Little girl, I say to you, get up!’). ⁴² Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished. ⁴³ He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and told them to give her something to eat.

