JOINT PEWSHEET
St John’s and the Methodist Church
in Hurst Green and St George’s, Crowhurst
SUNDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2016
Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 18)

Lord God, defend your Church from all false teaching and give to your people knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Readings*
Deuteronomy 30.15-20 (OT page 200)
Psalm 1 (OT page 518)
Philemon 1-21 (NT page 232)
8am service: Luke 14.25-33 (NT page 83)
9.30am service: Mark 10.13-16 (NT page 49)

*page numbers refer to pew bibles

Welcome! If this is your first time here, we hope you feel at home. If you have children with you we welcome them too. They can sit with you during the service or enjoy what we have on offer for them. Please do not worry about when to sit, stand, speak or sing - we will guide you through. Most of all just relax and enjoy some time apart from busy lives to rest in the peaceful presence of God.

I IN THE CHURCHES TODAY....

St John’s: 8am: Holy Eucharist
9.30am: All Age Eucharist with baptism of Sophie van den Berg
10.45am: Café Church rehearsal, in Church
1.30pm: Cricket Match v St Mary’s Master Park, Oxted - see notice

Methodists: 10.30am: Café Church with baptism of Jack Norris, led by Revd Karen Bell

St George’s: 11am: All Age Service

WE PRAY FOR those who are ill, in need and those who care for them: Muriel Ryman, Jim Farrell, Ken Bush, Andrew and Audrey Hughes, Mollie Mills, Robin Parker, Phoebe Lollar, David Jordan, Frank West, Mfg Ford, Joyce Jones, Sam Collins, Andrew Coppin, Alan Dilnot, Margaret Evans and Doris Daigle.

RIP Olive Sampson.


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St John’s Notices
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Mon 5  9.15am: Morning Prayer
2.30pm: Aggies-on-the-Green Coffee Shop Meeting, St John’s Room
Tues 6  8pm: Hurst Green Singers rehearsal, Church
Wed 7  9am-5pm: Action for Children Meeting, York Rooms
12 noon: Eucharist
7.50pm: Choir practice, choir vestry
Thurs 8  10.30am: Fortnightly Coffee Morning
St John’s Room - see separate notice
Sat 10  Ride and Stride - see separate notice
Sun 11  8am: Holy Eucharist
9 for 9.15am: Sunday Munch, for children aged 10+ in the York Rooms
9.30am: Parish Eucharist with crèche and children’s groups
5pm: Uplift Youth Group, York Rooms

HURST GREEN NEWS: The bundles of Hurst Green News are in the porch ready for deliverers to collect.

THE ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH against St Mary’s will take place TODAY, 4 September from 1.30pm at Master Park, Oxted - come along and support our team!

VOLUNTEER SOUGHT! I am looking for a volunteer who could pop into church each week, ideally on a Monday, to ‘tidy up’ after the Sunday services. Although St John’s is not nearly as cluttered as some churches, it can get a little messy and it’s important that we show our care of this Holy Space and our love of God by keeping things in order as far as we can. You may have realised that this is not a great strength of your Vicar! So I would love to hear from someone (or even a couple of people) for whom this is a strength who feel they could take on this important task. Please do get in touch. Thank you. Revd Anna, revd.anna@gmail.com or ☏ 712674.

OUR FORTNIGHTLY COFFEE MORNING continues this Thursday, 8 September, from 10.30am to 12 noon in St John’s Room. Please come and invite anyone you think would enjoy this event. If you or they need transport, please contact Barbara Richards ☏ 715636 and it will be arranged. We hope to see you there.

GAZEBO WANTED FOR HURST GREEN FAIR: ‘Creative Community’ are in need of a gazebo for Hurst Green Fair. If you have one that Christine Harwood can borrow, do get in touch with her. Thanks a lot. creativecommunity@btinternet.com or ☏ 717 786.

CAKES FOR THE VILLAGE FAIR: Coffee, tea and cakes will be served in St Agatha’s Hall. If you are able to bake something, please bring it to the Hall on the morning of the Fair (17 September), or call Pearl Stephens ☏ 722343 to arrange collection.

CHURCH BBQ, SUNDAY 18 SEPTEMBER from 1pm, Vicarage Garden if dry, York Rooms if wet! We are really looking forward to this relaxed social gathering in a few weeks time (followed by a Harvest Lunch a couple of weeks after on the 2nd October). Please make a note in your diary and come if you can! I could really do with one or two people to help co-ordinate and organise the BBQ with myself and Michelle Rodwell who has kindly offered. If you feel able to do this, please email or call me. Thank you. Revd Anna, revd.anna@gmail.com ☏ 712674.
**RIDE AND STRIDE:** Chris Zahner, (Dad to little Lily and Chloe and husband to Maddie), is embarking on an amazing fundraising challenge and invites others to join him. As part of the national Ride and Stride campaign in aid of historic churches on 10 September, Chris is seeking sponsorship to cycle nearly 50 miles and taking in nearly all the churches in the Godstone area. Half of this will go to St John's Church and half to the Historic Churches Trust. He will bring his sponsorship form with him to church over the coming weeks. AND - he welcomes others to be part of this either on bike or on foot and has maps etc he can provide. You can contact Chris on 07909 989417 or czahner77@gmail.com.

**BOUNCY CASTLE ROTA:** St John's plans to hire a bouncy castle for Hurst Green Village Fair on Saturday 17 September. Please add your name to the rota on the table if you could spare just ½ hour to help on the afternoon.

**BIRTHDAY LIST:** See Other Notices.

**TANDRIDGE DEANERY:** On 1 September Godstone and Caterham Deaneries combined to form one new Deanery, covering approximately the same area as Tandridge District Council. The first meeting of the new Deanery will be on Thursday 20 October in the York Rooms when Bishop Jonathan will license the new Area Dean and Assistant Area Dean. Please pray for the new Deanery, particularly in this transition phase. The following prayer may be useful:

God of unity and diversity,  
we thank you for the creation of Tandridge Deanery.  
Breathe into us the new life of your Spirit.  
Set our hearts on fire with love for you,  
and for the parishes and communities which we serve.  
In Jesus' name. Amen

**SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN ANNUAL REVIEW:** Please take a copy from the table in church. This is also available online: www.southwark.anglican.org/downloads/resources/Review15.pdf

**St George's Notices**

**www.stjohnshurstgreen.org.uk/st-georges**

**Sun 11 Sept**  
11am: Parish Eucharist  
Sun18 Sept  
11am: Parish Eucharist  
1pm: Barbecue, St John's VicarageGarden  
Sun 25 Sept  
11am: Parish Eucharist

**TANDRIDGE DEANERY:** See St John's Notices

**BIRTHDAY LIST:** See Other Notices.

**BARBECUE:** Members of St George’s are invited to join members of St John's for a barbecue in the Vicarage garden from 1pm on Sunday 18 September.

**Methodist Notices**

**Sat 10 Sept**  
10am: Prayers  
**Sun 11 Sept**  
10.30am: Service with Communion  
led by Revd Eileen Poore

**WE ARE PLEASED TO REPORT** the safe arrival of Vienna Grace Ford on the 11 August, weighing 7lbs 2oz, and we look forward to meeting her soon.

**BIBLE STUDY IS BACK:** On Wednesday 21 September, 8pm at Bob & Carole's house, for 6 weeks, starting with, 'What God has to say about...Racism'.

**SHOE BOXES FOR ROMANIA:** Please start thinking about filling shoeboxes. The list is the same as last year. There are some shoe boxes in the crush hall.

**MESSY CHURCH** will start on Sunday 25 September. Please tell any friends or neighbours who have children. Flyers are available in the crush hall with more details.

**HURST GREEN VILLAGE FAIR, 17 SEPTEMBER:** The Methodist Church will be running a stall to promote our 'Messy Church' Service on 25 September. If anyone can spare some time to help run this, please speak to Karen or the stewards.

**BIRTHDAY LIST:** See Other Notices.

**SURREY CHURCHES RIDE & STRIDE, 10 SEPT:** Gwen has forms if you are interested. If you could spare one hour that day to man the church, please speak to Gwen.

**STATIONING 2017:** Revd Karen Bell has indicated to the Invitation Committee that she wants to move on from the Circuit when her appointment comes to an end in August 2017. Please pray for her as she looks for a new appointment and pray also for all engaged in the invitation of a new minister to our circuit.

**Other Notices**

**RETREAT TO QUARR ABBEY, 18-21 NOVEMBER:** A group from St John's is planning a long weekend retreat at Quarr Abbey on the Isle of Wight. We shall be joining the monks for their round of daily offices, sharing meals with them and spending time in their extensive grounds overlooking the Solent. Both men and women are welcome to join us. A shorter (or longer) stay is also possible. Contact Michael Harman for further details, m.harman@gmail.com, 715301.

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP:** A five week introductory course will begin on Wednesday 14 September at 8pm, at All Saints, Chichele Road, Oxted, run by Fr. Simon Hall.

The group is ecumenical, open to believers of all Christian persuasions. We also welcome those with no religious background, trusting they will open themselves to the Gospel and to the way we live out our faith in contemplative prayer. Our aim is to reach out to the world and share the gift of meditation with as many people as possible. There is no charge and no need to book; simply turn up and join us in this simple and peaceful way of praying. Be still and know that I am God Psalm 46:10.

**HURST GREEN VILLAGE FAIR:** Saturday 17 September, 1-4.30pm, on the green by St Agatha's Hall. Stalls, barbecue, ice cream van, tea, coffee and cakes served at Aggies, Marj in the Clown, pet show (no reptiles or insects) with prizes. The theme is Aliens from Outer Space - come in fancy dress and win a prize! There will be live music from Hurst Green Singers and Oxted Band and the fair will end with a mini 'Last Night of the Proms' to sing along to. Free admission - everyone welcome!

**BIRTHDAY LIST:** If you would like your birthday remembered in this pewsheet, or you are unsure whether you are already on the list, please contact Janet Harman (details below).

**TIC TOC** is an informal fellowship group which meets at 10am on Mondays in term time. The next meeting is on Monday 12 September, at Mary's house, 30 Barrow Green Road, Oxted - coffee morning and programme planning. Extras, both adults and children, are always very welcome to join us. For more information, please contact Janet Harman, 715301 or janet.harman@ntlworld.com.

Items for Sunday 11 September by 9am on Wednesday 7 September please, to office@stjhurstgreen.co.uk or in Janet Harman’s pigeonhole at St John's Church