



Central Hartlepool Group

One Family, Three Parishes,
Growing the Kingdom.

Notices and Reading 8th August 2021: All Saints, Stranton Church

God's Blessing as we gather and sing in Church and online

Rooted in God's love, Growing together with Jesus, Branching out in the Power of the Holy Spirit

Some services will continue to be streamed LIVE on Facebook pages, or Stranton web pages at the times shown below, and afterwards as online web page videos.

Tenth Sunday after Trinity (Green)

Streamed to Facebook...

9:00 am	Holy Communion, Stranton	Revd Clive	Stranton
9:15 am	Holy Communion, St Luke's	Revd Michelle	
10:45 am	Mass, St Aidan's	Revd Norman	St Aidan's
11:00 am	Morning Worship, Stranton	Angela and Revd Clive	Stranton
2:00 pm	Sunday Club on-line with Kate (https://www.facebook.com/strantonsundayclub/)		

Readings: Ephesians 4: 25-5:2 John 6: 35, 41-51

9.30 am	<u>Wednesday</u> Holy Communion BCP	Revd Norman	St Luke's
9:15 am	<u>Thursday</u> Mass	Revd Clive	St Aidan and Columba

Words and Songs for 11 am Morning Worship below

Collect for Trinity 10 :

Lord of heaven and earth,
as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent
in prayer,
give us patience and courage never to lose hope,
but always to bring our prayers before you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post Communion :

God of our pilgrimage,
you have willed that the gate of mercy
should stand open for those who trust in you:
look upon us with your favour
that we who follow the path of your will
may never wander from the way of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



Ephesians 4: 25-5:2 (NIVUK)

²⁵ Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbour, for we are all members of one body. ²⁶ "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, ²⁷ and do not give the devil a foothold. ²⁸ Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need.

²⁹ Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹ Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. ³² Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

⁵ ¹ Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children ² and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

John 6: 35, 41-51 (NIVUK)

³⁵ Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

⁴¹ At this the Jews there began to grumble about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴² They said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I came down from heaven'?"

⁴³ "Stop grumbling among yourselves," Jesus answered. ⁴⁴ "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them, and I will raise them up at the last day. ⁴⁵ It is written in the Prophets: 'They will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard the Father and learned from him comes to me. ⁴⁶ No one has seen the Father except the one who is from God; only he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Very truly I tell you, the one who believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, yet they died. ⁵⁰ But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which anyone may eat and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."

Intercessions

- We pray for your peace, justice and reconciliation where there is conflict and division among the nations, for people who are oppressed imprisoned and enslaved, for asylum seekers and refugees.
- We pray for national and local leaders: for wisdom in day-to-day decisions regarding the pandemic: for health, safety, and wise use of resources.
- We pray for the care of all affected by the pandemic, for wisdom for the decision makers concerning public safety; we pray particularly for health and care workers, the police and community wardens, small businesses and local employers, and all who are seeking work.
- We pray that we may be a Community of Hope that we may reach out with love and hope to the vulnerable and marginalised. Pray for Emma, Jess and Jo, our Communities of Hope team as their work continues amongst the needy in our community, and that we may find ways in which to become involved.
- We pray peace and healing for all who are unwell in body mind or spirit, for those awaiting medical treatment, or are in hospital or recovering at home. We pray for those in isolation. We pray for those in care homes.
- We pray for all those who mourn.

ATTENDING CHURCH FOR WORSHIP

Although the government has removed the legal requirement to wear a face mask and to social distance it is advising people act with consideration to others, especially the vulnerable.

In order to protect ourselves and others Stranton PCC encourage you to -

- If you are attending a church service do please try to come early to avoid congestion and delays at the entrance as the service starts. Please (if you can) scan the NHS QR code poster using the NHS COVID-19 app.

- Wear a face mask when you enter church and although we encourage you to keep your mask on throughout the service you may take it off when seated.
- Please sanitise hands on entry and exit, and as you are directed for receiving Communion. Please wear your mask whilst going to and from the communion table.
- We ask you to register as you come in for “tracing”. A register of attendees will be kept for three weeks.
- Holy Communion is offered by intinction (wafer dipped in wine).
- The Sunday service will be displayed on the screens.
- Singing is now allowed. If you would like to join in singing with the music group we politely ask you to wear a mask.
- After the service, please meet outside, continuing to maintain distance and allowing other people to leave
- Please respect other people’s space and maintain the 1+ metre social distancing regime, some people may feel anxious and vulnerable. Families/”bubbles” may sit together.
- Seating is sanitised between services. Access to toilets is available if absolutely necessary, but please follow the guidance provided on cleaning
- If you become unwell with COVID-19 like symptoms within the week after attending a church service please advise a member of the clergy or a churchwarden so that the contact list information from that service can be used for test and tracing purposes.
- There will not be a collection taken but you may leave an offertory in the basket as you come in.

NOTICES:

Helping in Church Services: We have reintroduced a rota for reading, interceding and welcoming at the 11 am service soon. If you are interested in helping out please chat with Maureen or contact her using the church office telephone or email below.

Stranton Sunday Club Online

There will be no face to face Sunday Club this week but our online Sunday Club will be available as usual. Kate. Stranton Sunday Club Leader

Open Church Saturday Mornings

Church is open each Saturday morning, 10:00 to 12:00, for visitors and for those wishing to receive some pastoral support or prayer. If you would like to be part of the team of people doing this please talk with Rev Michelle (07564 029010).

Fundraising Challenge: Tehran - Hartlepool in 61 days

We are gathering a team who are aiming to walk, cycle, run, scoot, wheel, swim, etc the equivalent distance from Tehran to Hartlepool over August and September to raise money for the Asylum Seeker and Refugee Group (run by Hartlepower). (That's 3,655 miles!) This is not just for the super-fit - all ages and abilities are encouraged to participate in whatever way would be a challenge - whether that's 5 miles walking or 100 miles cycling per week! Sign up to the team

here: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Zw4Y2ZL5blsVCsZqfgOsABkFn0yh26MH5zJBwvIDck8/edit> and email Rachel with any questions: rachel@stranton-church.org.uk

Link to sponsorship page: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/tehran-to-hartlepool-in-61-days>

VACANCY: as Mother Gemma leaves for Australia there is now a vacancy in the Central Hartlepool Group of Churches. The Group Council met on Tuesday to begin the process of seeking a new priest for the Central Hartlepool Group. Stranton PCC will meet with the other two Central Hartlepool Group PCCs on Saturday 14th August in the process of discerning the shape of the future post, and we will keep you informed as we go along. In a ‘normal’ vacancy there would be quite a delay before the recruitment process could start, however, the Diocese regards this vacancy in Hartlepool Group as a ‘mission critical exemption’, so the recruitment process has started.

Faculty application: Audio Visual Project A faculty application for the installation of permanent display screens in church is now at the consultation stage. We are now very used to projection of service liturgy

and other visual material and the current temporary portable screens present us with some problems, including some safety issues.

The Public Notice is being taken down (on 6th August), and will be signed and sent to the Diocesan Registrar for forwarding to the Chancellor. We then await his decision on the awarding of a Faculty.

Streaming 11:00 am Sunday Services

The 11:00am service is now being streamed to

<https://youtube.com/channel/UCMNoiSa2KGgGWkzli62VFcA> A link will be shared by Facebook.

Parish Giving – how to support the mission and ministry of Stranton Church

The Parish Giving Scheme has been updated and it is now possible to join this direct debit scheme through the scheme's website. The link for Stranton church is <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/stranton-all-saints-ts24-7qt/>. We do still welcome and give thanks to those who give by standing order and / or envelopes but there are additional costs involved in these older methods. It is also still possible to join the scheme by obtaining a form if you prefer a paper application. If anyone has any questions about the scheme please let me know.

David Craig, Hon. Treasurer: **email - treasurer@stranton-church.org.uk**

Live online Services for w/c 1st August Facebook addresses are below.

- The Wednesday 9.30 communion from St Luke's and the Thursday 9.15 Mass from St Columba's will also be streamed.
- If you would like to access a night prayer **Lectio 365 have introduced a daily night prayer** accessible by downloading the app. The Church of England has also introduced an audio version of Morning Prayer.
- Zoom Morning Prayer at 8.30am Monday to Friday. Contact Revd Norman for details.

Facebook and Web Addresses:

<https://www.facebook.com/aidancolumba/> <https://www.facebook.com/strantonsundayclub/>

<https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsstranton/> <http://stranton-church.org.uk/videos.html>)

<https://www.facebook.com/stlukeshartlepool> www.stlukeshartlepool.org/coronavirus)

Parish Contacts: Church office please telephone or email.

For Stranton Church Tel 07305 550009

Email: admin@stranton-church.org.uk

Norman or Julie Shave: Tel 01429 233609

Email: nshave1@btinternet.com

More information on our web site <http://www.stranton-chrch.org.uk> and Facebook page)

11 am Morning Worship Sunday 8 August

Before each song we read out loud together the verses from Ephesians.

Ephesians 4:22-24 TPT22

And he has taught you to let go of the lifestyle of the ancient man, the old self-life, which was corrupted by sinful and deceitful desires that spring from delusions.²³ Now it's time to be made new by every revelation that's been given to you.

²⁴ And to be transformed as you embrace the glorious Christ-within as your new life and live in union with him! For God has re-created you all over again in his perfect righteousness, and you now belong to him in the realm of true holiness.

I am a new creation

No more in condemnation
Here in the grace of God I stand
My heart is overflowing
My love just keeps on growing
Here in the grace of God I stand

Chorus

And I will praise You Lord
Yes I will praise You Lord
And I will sing of all that You have done
A joy that knows no limit
A lightness in my spirit
Here in the grace of God I stand

Ephesians 4: 26-27

²⁶But don't let the passion of your emotions lead you to sin! Don't let anger control you or be fuel for revenge, not for even a day. ²⁷Don't give the slanderous accuser, the Devil, an opportunity to manipulate you!

I raise a hallelujah in the presence of my enemies

I raise a hallelujah louder than the unbelief
I raise a hallelujah my weapon is a melody
I raise a hallelujah Heaven comes to fight for me

Chorus

I'm gonna sing in the middle of the storm
Louder and louder you're gonna hear my praises roar

Up from the ashes hope will arise
Death is defeated the King is alive

Verse 2

I raise a hallelujah with everything inside of me
I raise a hallelujah I will watch the darkness flee
I raise a hallelujah in the middle of the mystery
I raise a hallelujah fear you lost your hold on me

Bridge

Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)
Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)
Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)
Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)

Bridge

Sing a little louder in the presence of my enemies
Sing a little louder louder than the unbelief
Sing a little louder my weapon is a melody
Sing a little louder Heaven comes to fight for me
(REPEAT)Ending
I raise a hallelujah

Ephesians 4: 29. The Message

²⁹Watch the way you talk. Let nothing foul or dirty come out of your mouth. Say only what helps, each word a gift. ³⁰Don't grieve God. Don't break his heart. His Holy Spirit, moving and breathing in you, is the most intimate part of your life, making you fit for himself. Don't take such a gift for granted

Let there be love shared among us

Let there be love in our eyes
May now Your love sweep this nation
Cause us O Lord to arise
Give us a fresh understanding
Of brotherly love that is real
Let there be love shared
Among us Let there be love

King of Kings majesty

God of heaven living in me
Gentle Saviour closest friend
Strong deliverer beginning and end
All within me falls at your throne

Chorus

Your majesty I can but bow
I lay my all before you now
In royal robes I don't deserve
I live to serve your majesty

Verse 2

Earth and heav'n worship You
Love eternal faithful and true
Who bought the nations ransomed souls
Brought this sinner near to Your throne
All within me cries out in praise

Ending

I live to serve your majesty
Ephesians 5: 1-2

1-2 Watch what God does, and then you do it, like children who learn proper behaviour from their parents. Mostly what God does is love you. Keep company with him and learn a life of love. Observe how Christ loved us. His love was not cautious but extravagant. He didn't love in order to get something from us but to give everything of himself to us. Love like that.

How deep the Father's love for us

How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

Verse 2

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

Verse 3

I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom.