



# Central Hartlepool Group

One Family, Three Parishes,  
Growing the Kingdom.

## Notices 8 November 2020: Stranton and Burbank Community Churches

Under the current lockdown we can only open Church for private prayer or streaming services.

### ***Sunday 8th November: Remembrance Sunday***

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#### **Private Prayer:**

**Stranton 9.00am-10.30am**

(St Lukes 9.30am-11.00am, St Aidan's 10.00am-11.00am)

#### **Streamed Services**

9.15am Mass (from home)

Mother Gemma Sampson

10.55am Morning Worship for Remembrance Sunday

Rev Norman Shave and Rachel Price

**Readings:** Amos 5:18-24; Matthew 25:1-13

#### **Collect for Remembrance Sunday**

God, our refuge and strength,  
bring near the day when wars shall cease  
and poverty and pain shall end,  
that earth may know the peace of heaven  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### **Post Communion for Remembrance Sunday**

God of peace,  
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom  
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:  
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,  
and by your healing power  
make whole both people and nations;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

## Month of Prayer

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York alongside our diocesan Bishops have called for a Month of Prayer focussing on our nation. Various leaflets are available to help us to pray at this time: these can be downloaded from our website or viewed online

We are encouraged to pray at 6.00pm each day (or another suitable time for you)

On Thursdays we are encouraged to consider fasting in some way

Additionally if you would like to gather for prayer on line Rev Norman will be hosting an on line zoom Prayer meeting on Wednesdays at 7.00pm. For a link contact Norman, Trish or Julia.

From 7pm on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November we will be organising 24 hours of prayer. (more details to follow)

## Intercessions

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 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 the work begins to take shape.

We pray for all effected by the pandemic and the implications of the second lockdown, praying particularly for health and care workers and all key workers.

We pray for all who are unwell, awaiting medical treatment or are in hospital and for those recovering at home. We pray for those in isolation. We pray for those in care homes.

We pray for all those who mourn and the families who are grieving at the present time.

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**Christmas cards. (Yes it is only early November) but keeping in touch at Christmas will be more important this year than ever) – please support one of the charities through purchasing your cards online from them, for example:**

<https://www.traidcraftshop.co.uk/christmas/charity-christmas-cards>

## Hartlepool Communities of Hope Team

The Team now has a facebook page so you can be informed and support their work and become involved in our community plans with them: <https://www.facebook.com/hartlepoolcoh>. Although Lockdown has meant they have attended firstly to work based around St Aidan's Kitchen, all three parishes are involved in areas such as schools engagement and outreach with asylum seekers and rough sleepers, and our active support is needed.



## CHRISTINGLE:

St Luke's Christingle each year is used to support the work of the Childrens Society: if you wish to make a personal donation, as it is unlikely that a Christingle will be held on a scale large enough to make a substantial collection, you can make a donation on-line at <https://www.childrensociety.org.uk/how-you-can-help/donate#make-a-donation>

## PASTORAL CARE

A big thank you to the pastoral care team who are seeking to stay in regular contact with the most vulnerable members of Church family. If you would like to help with this initiative, perhaps by telephoning a few Church members please contact Rev Michelle Delves.

BEING IN CHURCH... *Please read, things have changed...*

- Under the new lock down rules we can only gather in church for private prayer or to stream a service with no congregation.
- You should NOT come to Church if you are in quarantine, or are self isolating because you have Covid-19 symptoms or have been a direct contact of someone who has recently tested positive.
- ***We ask for your co-operation in keeping yourself and others as safe as possible and ask everyone coming to Church to wear a face mask and use the hand sanitiser coming in and going out. Please do not come if you are unwell or have recently been in contact with someone who has developed COVID -19.***
- ***Let a member of the Team, Churchwarden or the parish office know if you develop COVID-19 symptoms in the week following your attendance at church***
- Entry into church is via the south door (usual entrance). The North Aisle is reserved for those who wish to take particular care in distancing, entry by West door.
- Hand sanitiser is available on entry and exit and must be used at when you come in.
- Your name and contact number will be entered onto the register of attendance. The register of attendees will be kept for three weeks, for track and trace purposes only.
- If you have the Government's mobile Tracing "App" on your smartphone, we have a "QR code" on display that you can scan as you come into church. It is not an alternative to signing in, as many people still do not have the App, but it is one of the ways we can help to keep one another safe.
- The use of face masks is mandatory while in the building.
- Follow the floor markings to take you around the one way system.
- **Maintain 2 metre distancing** one person to a marked pew – families/household “bubbles” of **no more than 6** may sit together – please **do not** sit in a pew marked as not available for use .
- Your seat will have been sanitised before you come and will be cleaned again after use.
- Access to the Toilets is available if necessary, but you are asked to follow the directions for flushing and wiping down

A collection will not be taken up during services but you may leave your offering e.g. loyalty envelopes in the basket at the back of church. Visit the parish website <http://www.stranton-church.org.uk> for details of how to support the work and mission of the Church financially, or ask the Treasurer David Craig for details of online giving and gift aid schemes.

**Live on line Services for 2 – 7 November-** facebook addresses are below

Day	9.15am Mass/Communion	3pm Reflection/Prayer in the afternoon	8pm Night Prayer
Mon 9	Mother Gemma		Rachel and Seth
Tues 10	Mother Gemma	Jess	
Wed 11	Revd Norman		Linda
Thurs 12	Mother Gemma	Revd Clive	
Fri 13	-----	Revd Andrew	Andrew McAlister
Sat 14	Mother Gemma		

ALL group streamed services are viewable afterwards on Stranton Website <http://www.stranton-church.org.uk/videos.html>

Or see the original live stream as it happens or later on the host facebook page for that service

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

<https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsstranton/>

<https://www.facebook.com/stlukeshartlepool>

<https://www.facebook.com/hartlepoolcoh>.

**Contacts:**

**Church office, please telephone or email**

For Stranton Church Tel 07305 550009 (Trish) Email: [admin@stranton-church-org.uk](mailto:admin@stranton-church-org.uk)

(Please note during lockdown Trish will be working her usual hours from home)

St Luke's Church Office Tel 01429 281122 (Julia) Email: [julia@stlukeschurch.plus.com](mailto:julia@stlukeschurch.plus.com)

Norman or Julie Shave: Tel 01429 233609 Email: [nshave1@btinternet.com](mailto:nshave1@btinternet.com)

**More information can be found on our web sites at:**

Stranton <http://www.stranton-church.org.uk>

St Luke's [www.stlukeshartlepool.org](http://www.stlukeshartlepool.org)

11am Streamed Service 8<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Morning Worship on Remembrance Sunday

***Opening scripture and welcome***

This I call to mind, and therefore I have hope:  
the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,  
his mercies never come to an end;  
they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.

**We meet in the presence of God.  
We commit ourselves to work  
in penitence and faith  
for reconciliation between the nations,  
that all people may, together,  
live in freedom, justice and peace.  
We pray for all  
who in bereavement, disability and pain  
continue to suffer the consequences of fighting  
and terror.**

**We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow  
those whose lives,  
in world wars and conflicts past and present,  
have been given and taken away.**

**Be still, for the presence of the Lord,  
the holy one is here.  
Come, bow before him now,  
in reverence and fear.  
In him no sin is found,  
we stand on holy ground.  
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,  
the holy one is here.**

**Be still, for the glory of the Lord  
is shining all around;  
He burns with holy fire,  
with splendour he is crowned.  
How awesome is the sight,  
our radiant king of light!  
Be still, for the glory of the Lord  
is shining all around.**

**Be still, for the power of the Lord  
is moving in this place,  
He comes to cleanse and heal,  
to minister his grace.  
No work too hard for him,  
in faith receive from him;  
Be still, for the power of the Lord  
is moving in this place.**

***Act of Remembrance***

They shall grow not old,  
as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them,  
nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun  
and in the morning  
We will remember them.

**We will remember them.**

*Silence*

***Collect***

**God, our refuge and strength,  
bring near the day when wars shall cease  
and poverty and pain shall end,  
that earth may know the peace of heaven  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

***Confession***

**God of peace,  
Forgive us when we have participated  
in that which turns people against each other;  
for fuelling anger and harbouring vengeance,  
for not heeding your call to love one another.  
Inspire us never to give up on the hope  
that your life offers us,  
and the courage to see past war and desolation  
and live for the day when it will be peace.  
Amen.**

*Words of forgiveness*

***The Peace***

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Let us share a sign of peace.

**Make me a channel of your peace,**  
where there is hatred let me bring your love;  
where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;  
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

*Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek  
so much to be consoled as to console;  
to be understood as to understand;  
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of your peace,  
where there's despair in life let me bring hope;  
where there is darkness, only light;  
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

Make me a channel of your peace,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
in giving of ourselves that we receive;  
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

**Readings:** Amos 5: 18-24  
Matthew 25: 1-13

### **Sermon**

**Longing for light**, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see.

*Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your church gathered today.*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has power to save us.  
Make us your living voice.

Longing for food, many are hungry.  
Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others,  
shared until all are fed.

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.  
Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others,  
walls made of living stone.

Many the gifts, many the people,  
many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
making your kingdom come.

*Prayers concluding with the Lord's Prayer*

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen**

### **The Act of Commitment**

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living  
and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

**We will.**

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

**We will.**

Will you work for a just future for all humanity?

**We will.**

God of the impossible,

**We pray for justice, peace and reconciliation;**

When the challenges seem too many,  
**Remind us of your resurrection power;**

When the task seems overwhelming,  
**Remind us of the miracle of love;**

And when apathy threatens us,

**Remind us of your vision of a world made whole.**

**Help us to hope that the impossible can happen**

**And live as if it might do so today. Amen.**

### **Notices, birthdays and celebrations**

**Over all the earth** you reign on high  
every mountain stream, every sunset sky  
but my one request, Lord, my only aim  
is that you reign in me again

*Lord, reign in me, reign in your power  
over all my dreams, in my darkest hour.  
You are the Lord of all I am,  
so won't you reign in me again?*

Over every thought, over every word  
may my life reflect the beauty of my Lord.  
'Cause you mean more to me than any earthly  
thing  
So won't you reign in me again?

### **Blessing**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
**In the name of Christ, Amen.**