



## Central Hartlepool Group

One Family, Three Parishes,  
Growing the Kingdom.

### Notices and Readings 17<sup>th</sup> July 2022: All Saints, Stranton Church

#### God's Blessing as we gather for worship in Church and online

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

Some services are streamed LIVE on Facebook and YouTube pages or via Stranton web pages at the times shown below, and afterwards on YouTube or Facebook.

<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July:</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	<b>(Green)</b>	<b>Streamed to Facebook/YouTube:</b>
9.00 am	Holy Communion	Revd Kevin Tones	<i>Stranton</i>
9.15 am	Holy Communion	Revd Clive Hall	<i>St Lukes</i>
10.45 am	Service of the word		<i>St Aidan's</i>
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Revd Clive Hall	<i>Stranton</i>

*Services are liable to change at short notice during summer months due to clergy and staff leave*

**Sunday Club News!** Join us this week at 11 am as we continue to look at people of the Old Testament. We will be looking at the story of Daniel and the Lions. *Kate, Stranton Sunday Club Leader*

#### Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July:

- **St Matthew's** 10.00am Holy Communion Revd Kevin *Stranton*
- **St Luke's** 9.30am Holy Communion Revd Clive *St Luke's*

#### Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July:

- **St Columba's** 9.15am Mass Revd Michelle *St Aidan's*

**Open Church:** *Through the summer Stranton Church will be open for visitors on Saturdays 10 am-12 noon*

#### Collect

Almighty God,  
send down upon your Church  
the riches of your Spirit,  
and kindle in all who minister the gospel  
your countless gifts of grace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

#### Post Communion:

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,  
that the course of this world may be so peaceably  
ordered by your governance,  
that your Church may joyfully serve you  
in all godly quietness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

## Readings

**Colossians 1:15-28** <sup>15</sup>The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. <sup>16</sup>For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup>He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup>And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. <sup>19</sup>For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, <sup>20</sup>and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. <sup>21</sup>Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behaviour. <sup>22</sup>But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation – <sup>23</sup>if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant. <sup>24</sup>Now I rejoice in what I am suffering for you, and I fill up in my flesh what is still lacking in regard to Christ's afflictions, for the sake of his body, which is the church. <sup>25</sup>I have become its servant by the commission God gave me to present to you the word of God in its fullness – <sup>26</sup>the mystery that has been kept hidden for ages and generations, but is now disclosed to the Lord's people. <sup>27</sup>To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup>He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ.

**Luke 10: 38-end** <sup>38</sup>As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. <sup>39</sup>She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. <sup>40</sup>But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, 'Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!' <sup>41</sup>'Martha, Martha,' the Lord answered, 'you are worried and upset about many things, <sup>42</sup>but few things are needed – or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her.'

## Intercessions

- We pray for peace where there is conflict, relief for asylum seekers, refugees and the dispossessed, and freedom for the oppressed: We pray for relief for the people of Ukraine, and all conflict zones.
- We pray for those affected by flooding in India and Bangladesh and for the relief workers helping them and the people in Afghanistan suffering from famine, earthquake and oppression.
- We pray for unity between Christians. We pray for all Churches in Hartlepool and for Churches Together Hartlepool. We pray for our joint outreach including the Foodbank and Town Pastors.
- We pray for appointment of a new Group incumbent to be inspired led and guided by the Holy Spirit
- 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 Aneta, Emma, Hayley and Viv as she prepares to join our Communities of Hope team.
- We pray for Andy, Kati and Eva Walsh in Brazil in their ministry with CMS.
- We pray for all those affected by the cost-of-living crisis, and for 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 Audrey, Hans, Marty, Henry, Nancy Fernie and Marie.
- We pray for all those who mourn, for the family and friends of Anita Vincent, Ida Hodgman and Beryl Evans, and especially following the death of Revd Maurice Jennett last week, we pray for Joyce, and for Nigel, Tim and Susan, and their families.

## Notices: Communities of Hope "Round The World" Summer Camp for primary aged children

- **Where?** St Matthews Community Centre
- **When?** Mon- Thurs for 4 weeks 10am-2pm starting on Monday 25th July
- **What For?** Fun, Games, Crafts, Lunch, food to take home
- **Cost?** Free **How do you book?** Hartlepool Council Website: Just scroll down until you can pick the option [https://online.hartlepool.gov.uk/service/Hartlepool\\_Holiday\\_Fun](https://online.hartlepool.gov.uk/service/Hartlepool_Holiday_Fun)
- **booking priority up to 18 July for Children entitled to Free school meals**

**Ward Jackson School** We are looking for new Governors - who simply need to have a heart for the brilliant work the school is doing in the Burbank Community, and an interest in the wellbeing and attainment of the children, to support the School from Sept. 2022, ***Speak with David Craig or Revd Clive***

**Hartlepool foodbank** - Please support via COLLECTION POINT AT THE BACK OF CHURCH. The Foodbank currently needs- Tinned foods (Rice pudding, custard, tomatoes, soup, meat) Snacks (sweet & savoury)

**Hartlepool Foodbank Consultation day: Wednesday 20 July 10am-3pm** This will be held at Greenbank, (near Stranton Church, lunch provided). We will consider what the foodbank's priorities should be for the next 5 years and what we need to do to help meet them. It will include presentations from partner organisations (Hartlepower, Trussell Trust and Joseph Rowntree Foundation). ***Admission will be by invitation.*** As Hartlepool's churches are members of the charity) we would like as many representatives of the churches as possible to attend. ***Please let Rev'd Andrew Craig (Chair of Foodbank Trustees) know if you would like to come and he will ensure you receive an invitation.*** [revdrandrewcraig@gmail.com](mailto:revdrandrewcraig@gmail.com).

**Stranton Church Bells update:** our bells are now with the bell founders for cleaning retuning and refurbishment, they will be re-hung for ringing at occasional services later in the year

**Visit of the Rt Revd John Daudi Lupaa, Bishop of the Rift Valley 20 – 21 August 2022 - Bishop John** will be visiting Hartlepool. He will be preaching at Stranton on Sunday 21 August at both services: there is also an invitation to meet with him at the Duke of Cleveland pub on the Hartlepool Headland on Saturday 20 August 4 pm - 6 pm where he will speak at about the diocese of the Rift Valley, and give news about Kilimatinde and the surrounding villages. He will want to express thanks for the long standing support given by members of Stranton church and St Hilda's, and other supporters of the Kilimatinde trust. We will have a sign-up sheet for this meeting nearer the time at the back of church, so we can estimate numbers.

#### **ATTENDING CHURCH FOR WORSHIP - COVID-19 is still with us -**

- There is no requirement to wear a face mask in Church but please continue to act with consideration towards others especially the vulnerable.
- Please sanitise your hands on entry and exit, and as you are directed for receiving Communion. Holy Communion is offered by intinction (dipping).
- There will not be a collection taken during the service but you may leave an offertory as you come in.
- Refreshments are now provided after the 11 am service from the servery at the back of Church – you are welcome to stay and share but please move away from the table when you have been served so others have clear space in which to come forward.

**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. Stranton church at: <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/stranton-all-saints-ts24-7qt/>. We 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](mailto:treasurer@stranton-church.org.uk)***

#### **“Streaming” services online**

- **9:00 am Holy Communion** is streamed directly via our Facebook page (below).
- **11:00 am service** is now streamed to <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMNoiSa2KGgGWkzli62VFCa>  
(A link will be shared on Stranton Church Facebook Page)

Facebook also has a link from our home page <http://stranton-church.org.uk>

#### **Other useful Central Hartlepool Group YouTube and Facebook links**

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

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

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

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

## **Church Office and Parish Contacts:**

**Church office (at St Matthews Community Centre) please telephone or email. for enquiries and to make appointments.**

**Tel 01429 894006 or 07305 550009 (Trish) during contact hours : Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am to 12 noon. Stranton Church Office email: [admin@stranton-church.org.uk](mailto:admin@stranton-church.org.uk)**

**Following Revd Norman's Retirement, confidential enquiries or requests to our curates Michelle and Clive can be made by telephone to Revd Michelle 07564 029010 or to Revd Clive 01429 278504 or to the confidential email address [clergy@stranton-church.org.uk](mailto:clergy@stranton-church.org.uk)**

*please note clergy usual "Days off" are: Fridays (Revd Michelle) and Thursdays (Revd Clive): if you have difficulty reaching them (for example during holiday periods) please ask the Church office to ask one of the Clergy to call you back (More information on our web site <http://www.stranton-church.org.uk> and Facebook page)*