



## Central Hartlepool Group

One Family, Three Parishes,  
Growing the Kingdom.

### Notices and Readings 28<sup>th</sup> August 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 28<sup>th</sup> August: 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>		(Green)	Streamed to Facebook/YouTube:
9.00 am	Holy Communion	Revd Kevin Tones	Stranton
9.15 am	Holy Communion	Revd Clive Hall	St Lukes
10.45 am	Holy Communion	Revd Andrew Craig	St Aidan's
11.00 am	Lighthouse Service	Revd Clive Hall	Stranton

#### No Sunday Club this week (Lighthouse)

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

#### Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August:

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

#### Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September:

- **St Columba's** 9.15am Mass Revd Kevin Tones St Aidan's

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

#### Collect

God of glory,  
the end of our searching,  
help us to lay aside  
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,  
and to give all that we have  
to gain the pearl beyond all price,  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Amen**

#### Post Communion:

Lord of all mercy,  
we your faithful people have celebrated that  
one true sacrifice  
which takes away our sins and brings pardon and  
peace: by our communion  
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel  
and preserve us from all sin;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

**Readings: Hebrews 13:1-8,15-16 - 13** Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. <sup>2</sup>Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it. <sup>3</sup>Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are ill-treated as if you yourselves were suffering. <sup>4</sup>Marriage should be honoured by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral. <sup>5</sup>Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, 'Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.' <sup>6</sup>So we say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?' <sup>7</sup>Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. <sup>8</sup>Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. <sup>15</sup>Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise – the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. <sup>16</sup>And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

**Luke 14:10-17 14.1** One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, he was being carefully watched. <sup>7</sup>When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honour at the table, he told them this parable: <sup>8</sup>'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honour, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. <sup>9</sup>If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, "Give this person your seat." Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. <sup>10</sup>But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, "Friend, move up to a better place." Then you will be honoured in the presence of all the other guests. <sup>11</sup>For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.' <sup>12</sup>Then Jesus said to his host, 'When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbours; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. <sup>13</sup>But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, <sup>14</sup>and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

## Intercessions

- We pray for the Diocese of the Rift Valley, for the people of Kilimatinde, for the staff and leaders of the Church, School and Hospital, and ask your blessings on Bishop John.
- 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 our Queen and government at local and national level, may those who serve in public office listen to the voice of your Spirit and act with love, justice and mercy
- We pray for those affected by flooding in India, Bangladesh and the United States, by drought in Africa, and for the relief workers helping them and the people in Afghanistan suffering from famine, earthquake and oppression, and for those who have suffered personal loss in summer wildfires. May we be better stewards of your creation and learn to live in more sustainable ways, and we ask you to prosper the work of Christian Aid, Tear Fund and all relief agencies.
- 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.
- 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 Ida Hodgman Beryl Evans, and Revd Maurice Jennett.

## Notices:

**CMS News** we have received a newsletter from Andy and Kati Walsh our CMS link mission partners in Brazil, a copy and video update are available on our Website <http://www.stranton-church.org.uk>

**Next Messy church - September 11<sup>th</sup> St Matthews Community Centre 4 pm (NO August meeting)**

**Coffee & Cake Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2-4.00pm at St Matthew's Community Centre all welcome.**

**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 September. 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)

### **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 continue to 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 is 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).*