



## Central Hartlepool Group

One Family, Three Parishes,  
Growing the Kingdom.

### Notices and Readings 31st 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 31<sup>st</sup> July:</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	<b>(Green)</b>	<b>Streamed to Facebook/YouTube:</b>
9.00 am	Holy Communion	Revd Clive Hall	<i>Stranton</i>
9.15 am	Parish Eucharist	Revd Andrew Craig	<i>St Lukes</i>
10.45 am	Holy Communion	Revd Andrew Craig	<i>St Aidan's</i>
11.00 am	Morning Worship and Sea Baptism*	Revd Clive Hall (see * note)	<i>Stranton</i>
1.00 pm	Baptism – River Gretton	Revd Kevin	
3.00pm	Forest Church	St Aidan's School	

**\* Sea immersion Baptism of Adam, Robyn, Alexis, and Autumn Farrow,**

We start in church at 11:00am. at 11:40 we will set out from church (If you could give lifts, that will help) Meet up at Seaton Carew in the car park near the Sand Dunes and Golf Course. ("pay and display" car park, at the far end of Seaton). 11:55am – Our Service will continue at the water's edge with singing and then Baptism in the sea, followed by refreshments (drink and bun). Then lifts home/ back to church. finishing about 12:30pm. (We cannot hold it closer because of a Miles 4 Men run on the promenade)

**Sunday Club News!** No Sunday Club this week, back next week with story of Saul!

*Kate, Stranton Sunday Club Leader*

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

#### Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August:

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

#### Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> August:

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

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

#### Collect

Creator God,  
you made us all in your image:  
may we discern you in all that we see,  
and serve you in all that we do;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

#### Post Communion:

God of our pilgrimage,  
you have led us to the living water:  
refresh and sustain us  
as we go forward on our journey,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

## Readings

**Colossians 3 1-11:** So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, 7 rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. 8 See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ. 9 For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, 10 and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. 11 In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self, ruled by the flesh, was put off when you were circumcised by Christ, 12 having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead. 13 When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, 14 having cancelled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. 15 And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

**Luke 12, 13-21** 13 Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” 14 Jesus replied, “Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?” 15 Then he said to them, “Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.” 16 And he told them this parable: “The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. 17 He thought to himself, ‘What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.’ 18 “Then he said, ‘This is what I’ll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. 19 And I’ll say to myself, “You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.”’ 20 “But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?’ 21 “This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God.”

## 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 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 and Bangladesh 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
- 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 they lead our Summer club at St Matthews
- 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: Messy church – NO Messy Church in August:**

**Next Messy church - September 11<sup>th</sup> St Matthews Community Centre 4 pm**

**Forest Church is at 3 pm this Sunday:** Our theme is 'All Creatures Great and Small' and we will be giving thanks to God not only for all the amazing creatures we are blessed to share the planet with but we will be thinking especially of those we share our daily lives with, our pets in all their shapes and sizes. Bring a pet (if it's practical) and if not bring a picture (if you can). **Find us in St Aidan's School Nature Garden.**

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

(There were a few places left at the time of publication)

- Where? St Matthews Community Centre
- When? Mon- Thurs for a further 3 weeks 10am-2pm
- 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)

**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)

**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 longstanding 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 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)*