

Church News

Pentecost - Sunday 23rd May 2021

Services continue in Churches along with a 'Zoom at Noon' option for those who prefer to worship from home. Please note that services in church will be no longer than 35 minutes. The law requires that face masks are worn except by those with exceptions, and that there is no communal singing indoors or mingling outside of household bubbles. Groups of six, (or two households) can now attend together. To attend, please book a place using the details below.

More generally, the limit for those attending funerals depends upon the size of the building and Covid restrictions in place; up to 30 people (if the building can safely accommodate that number) can attend a service of baptism outside of normal Sunday services. Choirs of up to six can now sing in church so long as they are socially distanced from each other and the congregation. Communal singing is permitted outside in multiple groups of 30. The advice remains not to have a shared cup (chalice) for communion.

Holy Communion – If you are coming to church, please bring a small piece of bread for communion and a small cup or glass into which we pour wine as you arrive. If you are joining by Zoom, please have a small glass or cup of wine and a small piece of bread ready for the service. You may prefer just to observe.

09.30 Empshott Holy Communion (BCP) led by Peter Sutton & Elizabeth Hawkins
To book a place contact David Tucker David.Tucker@vssecurityproducts.com 01420 538242

10.15 Hawkley Morning Worship (CW) led by Peter Sutton
To book a place contact Molly Keer mkeer@btinternet.com 01730 827696

11.00 Greatham Morning Worship (CW) led by Peter Sutton, Marjorie Arnold & Paul Goddard
To book a place contact Kay Thorpe kay.thorpe@hotmail.co.uk 01730 892314

12.00 Zoom at Noon Holy Communion (CW) led by Peter Sutton from Hawkley Church

Zoom link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81032199878?pwd=aTVlSXI3YnpXTct5VknNTjZ5dTUyUT09>

Meeting ID: 810 3219 9878

Passcode: 566878

14.30 Petersfield Deanery Pentecost Praise

An opportunity to gather together as a Deanery to celebrate the Festival of Pentecost. All are welcome. Each parish is invited to contribute a banner, art work or flower arrangement if they wish. Liss church will be open on Saturday 22nd (all day) to receive things and Eleanor Childs will be there in afternoon from 2pm-4pm.

To book a place click on this link – <https://st-mary-s-church.reservio.com/events/aede3c6a-95bb-4583-a1cd-4f1d827587af/> or phone St Mary's Church Office 01730 892552 or email lissparish@gmail.com with your name, number in party and email address (or phone number).

The service will be live streamed and available to watch live or at a later time on St Mary's Facebook page.

Our churches are all still open to visitors (Priors Dean by appointment). Ask Peter Sutton for details.

Services Next Sunday – 30th May

09.30	Empshott	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.15	Hawkley	Holy Communion (CW)
11.00	Greatham	Holy Communion (CW)
12.00	Zoom	Holy Communion (BCP)

Zoom Coffee Morning – Tuesday 10am to 11am – join at the time that suits you.

Try dropping in – it's open to anyone. You obviously have to drink your own coffee but, technology permitting, it is a chance to see and talk to others. Depending upon numbers present, we divide into breakout rooms for smaller groups.

Tuesday Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81032199878?pwd=aTVISXl3YnpXTct5VkNNTjZ5dTUyUT09>

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Roberts Centre

The Roberts Centre would now like to receive the following:

Food and Children's Summer clothes in good condition. They cannot take anything else until further notice.

Please leave donations in the porch of Hawkley Church.

If you have any concerns and would like to talk, please contact:

Peter Sutton 01730 827459

peter.sutton@portsmouth.anglican.org

How to Donate

Churches took a serious financial hit in 2020 and the situation obviously continues into this year as well. We are very grateful to everyone who supports us regularly or occasionally – thank you! Your generosity is enabling the churches to function albeit in very different ways.



Hawley, Priors Dean and Greatham Churches are members of the national Parish Giving Scheme which means that you can easily set up a way to give that suits you. Either visit the website <https://parishgivingscheme.org.uk> or telephone 0333 002 1260

To contribute to the life and ministry of Greatham, Hawley and Priors Dean Churches by the Parish Giving Scheme you just need to decide:

- *how much and how often you wish to give.*
- *if you wish to increase your donation by Gift Aid.*
- *if you want your donations to be increased each year in line with inflation.*

Via the Parish Giving Scheme website or by telephone (**0333 002 1260**) simply state the name of the Church you wish to support and their parish code:

- **St Peter and St Paul Church, Hawley** Code Number: 290629087
- **Priors Dean Church** Code Number: 290629088
- **St John the Baptist, Greatham** Code Number: 290629086

PGS will ask for your contact details and bank details: sort code, account number and account name. For details of other ways to support any of our churches, for example by standing order or occasional donation please contact the treasurer:

Hawley	Robin Crittenden	randmcrittenden@waitrose.com	01730 827969
Priors Dean	D Green	green@priorsdean.com	01730 827636
Greatham	Steve Hedicker	shedicker58@gmail.com	01420538310
Empshott	Becky Smith	treasurerempshottpcc@gmail.com	01730 827397

Thank you!



FLOWER FESTIVAL

“ALL NATURE IS A GARDEN”

Church of the Holy Rood, Empshott

Saturday, 26th June 10.00 am to 5.00 pm

Sunday, 27th June 10.30 am to 5.00 pm

Entry £5 (children free)

Stalls, including a plant stall Refreshments served all day

The festival will celebrate the idyllic rural setting of this charming, ancient church, its natural surroundings and the beauty of an English summer.

The theme is “**All Nature is a Garden**” and we aim to bring the countryside into the church with lavish use of native, seasonal flowers and foliage.

We will also pay tribute to Gilbert White of Selborne whose 300th birthday celebrations were postponed last year.

We have designed our festival to use only recyclable materials.

Flowers will be arranged in water or moss rather than floral foam.

Parking in nearby field, disabled parking available

email empshottfestival@gmail.com

Instagram [@empshottflowerfestival](https://www.instagram.com/empshottflowerfestival)