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The Church Family

A couple of weeks ago, we were able to meet up with some of Tracey's family who live in the far reaches of Scotland. We haven't seen them for a number of years as the last time we were due to see each other, our flights and accommodation were cancelled as a result of the pandemic. During the intervening period, we have all grown a little older, a little greyer and, perhaps, a little wider!

It is said that you can choose your friends, but you can't choose your family. Friends can come and go, but families have bonds that defy logic or understanding, and elicit our love no matter what. It is good to meet up, to catch up and to share what is going on in our lives with our siblings, parents, children, aunts, uncles and cousins. And it grieves me whenever I learn of families that have become estranged through misunderstandings or circumstance.

The same goes for our church family. There are those who we haven't seen for a long time, those who have left our fellowship for various reasons, those who no longer enjoy sufficient health to come to the hall. We are still bonded through Christ to each one of them. They are our family – and we, and them, still have that need to meet up, to catch up and to share. If you are not with us today – be assured that you are greatly missed!

Paul Heath

FLOWERS:

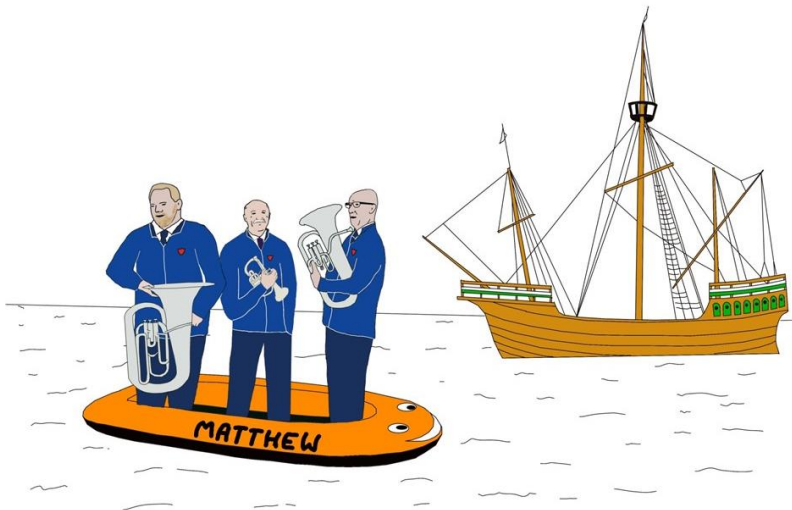
Our thanks to Becky Gardner today for the flowers on the altar table. They are in celebration of the forthcoming anniversary of her enrolment.

BONNETS:

Would anyone like a Salvation Army bonnet to remind them of how we used to be? It would be a lovely keepsake. Please let Pauline Perkins know if you would like one – she has quite a few!

KENYA TRUST CONCERT:

The 'Into Africa' Concert takes place on Saturday 12th November and will feature the Severn and Somerset Divisional Youth Chorus, Andrew Wicker on the piano and our own Band. Tickets are available from either Jon Dickens or Hilton Baker at just £5, or they can be purchased on-line using the QR code which is on the posters in the foyer and also on both the Kenya Trust or the Corps Website.



When Marc said there wasn't enough room for the whole band on the deck of The Matthew today, we all thought he was talking about the ship!

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S DAY:

15th October

Children from children's church and youth are meeting at the hall between 2 - 7pm on 15th October for a fun afternoon of craft, games and karaoke! The young people need to RSVP to me [Tash] by the 8th of October.

Primary have a separate outing on a different date - they are going to the zoo!

WARM WELCOME:

Like many of you we are concerned about the increases in the cost of living, along with the increase in electricity and gas prices. As a church we would like to respond and over the summer have been looking at a number of different options. As a result, we are going to partner with the national Warm Welcome initiative and open our community hall weekly from Tuesday 1st November on:

- Tuesdays 12noon - 6pm
- Friday 12noon - 6pm

This will be until Easter 2023. We will hopefully be providing lunch and tea for those who come, along with some activities. Want to know more or be involved? Come for a chat at the coffee morning on Saturday, 8th October at 10am - we'll chat for 30mins, then stay for more cake until 12noon. You'll receive a 'warm welcome!' You'll also be supporting our coffee morning, which will be raising money for the Big Collection, which in turn supports the Social and Community work of the Salvation Army throughout the country.

BIG COLLECTION FLAG DAY – MORRISONS:

Thanks to all those who collected on Thursday and Friday this week at Morrisons. You will be pleased to learn that we were able to collect the impressive total of **£615.88**.



HOPE & GLORY YOUTH CHOIR

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SHARING THEIR STORIES OF HOPE THROUGH
SINGING, DANCING AND TESTIMONIES



Wednesday 5th October

7-9pm

Please email Lisa for your free seat.

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PEOPLE:

We continue to pray for those who have been bereaved, especially those preparing for funerals. In particular, we remember Pauline, Beth and Carolyn and Colin's Aunty Margaret. The details for both funerals are:

- Clive's funeral is on Tuesday, 18th October 2022 at Westerleigh Crematorium at 11.30am, followed by a Service of Celebration at the hall.
- Ray Hylton's funeral is on Thursday, 13th October at Kingsdown Crematorium, Swindon at 11.15am.

We have also learnt that Michael (Gary Matthews brother) has passed away, so we are also thinking of Olive, Gary and the family at this sad time.

Linda is home following surgery, although Jim, her husband, is poorly and was taken into hospital this week. Please pray for both Linda and Jim. Pearl is now home, which is good.

Congratulations to Elli and Jon on the safe arrival of Zoe. You remain in our prayers.

MAJOR PROPERTY PROJECT:

After a few hiccups, the project is now proceeding and the Steering Group and the Mission Council are meeting with the project manager tomorrow evening (3rd October) to discuss – please keep this in your prayers – more details soon.

WHAT TO DO IF THERE IS A FIRE:

During September and early October, we are ensuring that everyone knows what to do in the event of a fire. Please make sure you read the fire notice



IN THE EVENT OF A FIRE

On discovering a fire

Raise the alarm by using the emergency fire alarm call points or verbally and call the Fire Brigade, Dialling 999

On hearing the alarm

Or being alerted as to the possibility of a fire

Leave the building by the nearest fire exit

Do not return for any belongings

Assemble on Fountain Square outside Iceland

Do not simply go home as it might be presumed you are still in the building.

Do not return to the building until given the all clear by the Fire Brigade.

PAPER £20 & £50 NOTES:

This week paper £20 and £50 notes went out of general circulation. If you have some behind the sofa or under the bed, and can't get to the bank why not give them to us to support the Warm Welcome initiative or Big Collection!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sunday 16th October	YP Annual Celebration Meeting (at 10am)
Sunday 16th October	Divisional Welcome to Divisional Leaders in our hall (at 4pm)
Monday 17th October	Mission Council Meeting (at 8pm)
Sunday 30th October	Messy Church (4pm to 6pm)
Saturday 5th November	Coffee Morning (Hosted by Jo Risdale & Rachel Wallis – 10am to 12 noon)
Monday 7th November	Mission Council Meeting (at 8pm)
Saturday 12th November	Kenya Trust Concert
Sunday 13th November	Remembrance Sunday
Sunday 27th November	Messy Church (4pm to 6pm)

Please note the meeting about the modular housing project at Bristol Easton on 3rd October advertised a few weeks ago is now cancelled.

THE WEEK AHEAD:

TODAY, Sunday 2nd October:

- 10am All Age Worship
Frontline Sundays: *"Whoever we are"*
[Matthew 6:5-14](#)
- 11.30am-12:15pm Children & Youth Activities

Tuesday 4th October:

- 11am-12noon Extra Slice Group at the Hall (leader: Kelvin)
- 6:30pm YP Band Practice
- 7:15pm Singing Company Practice
- 8pm Senior Band Practice

Wednesday 5th October:

- 9:30am-11am Tots on the Hill
- 3:30pm-4:30pm Extra Slice Group online (leader: Gerry)
- 7:45pm-9pm Extra Slice Group at Linda's house
- 8:15pm-9:15pm Extra Slice Group online (leader: Beth)

Thursday 6th October:

- 12.30pm Lunch Club
- 7:45pm-9pm Extra Slice Group at Colin & Nicola's house
- 8:15pm-9:15pm Extra Slice Group online (leaders: Ian & Rachel)

Saturday 8th October:

- 10am Meeting about "Warm Welcome" initiative
- 10am – 12 noon Coffee Morning (coordinated by Lynette Price & Pauline Perkins)

Sunday 9th October:

- 10am All Age Worship
Frontline Sundays: *"Together we grow"*
[Hebrews 10: 19-25](#)
- 11.30am-12:15pm Children & Youth Activities