**** St. Mary the Virgin, Baldock.**
**St. Margaret of Antioch, Bygrave.**

*“BUILDING WITH CHRIST”*

9th Sunday after Trinity / Climate Sunday

Worship on Sunday 1st August 2021

**Please wear a mask when you are moving around the church until you are sitting down. Please also wear it when you are singing.**

**8am****Communion (traditional words) in church**

*The return of the early morning communion service! The service will take place in the nave this week.*

**9.30am****Communion for All Ages in church
CLIMATE SUNDAY**

Worship focussing on God's wonderful creation and Christ's redeeming
love for all of it. This ***Climate Sunday Service***highlights Christians' call for
more action to combat the climate crisis, vital to the survival of all God's creation. *We are able to sing!! Distancing in the church is removed but we have designated the south aisle for those who still need to be cautious. We are working to make this worship as all age as possible. We really hope you will join us as we begin to be able to worship tall together again.*

Those sitting in the nave, in front of the streaming camera, may be visible on the streaming service video. If you would rather not be captured on screen in this way, please speak to a sidesperson who will offer you a seat not visible to the camera. The camera does not capture anyone receiving communion.

**Share in Parish Communion in your own home**

Take part in Parish Communion online either at 9.30am on Sunday or any time during the following week, click on this link: [https://youtu.be/M\_eY5\_i5Brw](https://youtu.be/M_eY5_i5Brw%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)

**6pm****Evening Prayer at Bygrave**

**Next Sunday’s worship:**

8am Communion (traditional words)

9.30am Parish Communion

6pm Evening Prayer at Bygrave

*Morning and Evening prayer are said nearly every day in church.
See Week at a Glance for details and times.*

*Evening Prayer is Zoomed on Monday, Thursday and Saturday (use the link below).*

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81188370718?pwd=MVVDelNMbEppRldBYnFpN0NwT1hhQT09>

Meeting ID: 811 8837 0718 Passcode: 188423

*You are warmly invited to join the group of people who find this a valuable anchor for the day.*

 *We have worked really hard to make worship in church as inclusive as possible and as vibrant as possible whilst keeping it as safe as possible. Here are some of the precautions we are taking:*

1. We are asking people to wear their masks until they reach their pews and when they are singing or moving around.
2. We are asking you not to use the south aisle as a thoroughfare unless you are sitting there.
3. We are still keeping a record of who attends for test and trace purposes.
4. We are inviting you to offer your collection when you come in (including contactless giving) rather than bringing the plate round during the offertory hymn
5. We are not asking you to do distance from each other but to be responsible and respectful of those who still wish to do so. We will continue to share the peace with waves rather than handshakes for the time being.
6. We are re-instating the children’s corner and it will be ok for children (and adults) to move around the church when they wish (avoiding the south aisle)
7. We hope to have an increased number of all age style communion until Junior Church restarts.
8. We are continuing to receive communion by walking to the Eucharistic minister and receiving a wafer dipped in the chalice (or just a wafer). People will also be able to receive a blessing when walking to the front as well. There will still be a general blessing afterwards for those watching on the streaming service. Those in the South aisle (who are socially distanced) and those behind the streaming camera near the font are encouraged to go the Eucharistic minister at the back of church.
9. We are serving refreshments after the service but encourage you to take your coffee outside or to a less crowded area.

**Prayers and readings for this Sunday**

**Hymns:**

511 How great thou art

60 Beauty for brokenness

766 You shall go out with joy

825 If I were a butterfly

**The Collect**

Almighty God

You have created the heavens and the earth

And made us in your own image:

Teach us to discern your hand in all your works

And your likeness in all your children;

Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

Who with you and Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things

Now and for ever

**Amen**

**The New Testament Reading Colossians 1 :15-20**

15Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; 16for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers – all things have been created through him and for him. 17He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 18He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. 19For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, 20and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

**The Gospel John 6:24-35**

24When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were at the place where Jesus had given the bread, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. 25When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, ‘Rabbi, when did you come here?’ 26Jesus answered them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. 27Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.’ 28Then they said to him, ‘What must we do to perform the works of God?’ 29Jesus answered them, ‘This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.’ 30So they said to him, ‘What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? 31Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, “He gave them bread from heaven to eat.”’ 32Then Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. 33For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.’ 34They said to him, ‘Sir, give us this bread always.’ 35Jesus said to them, ‘I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.’

This week, please remember in your prayers these areas of our parish:

Downlands, Mercia Road, Weavers Way, Westell Close

Those in need of healing:
Paula Conder, Penny and Douglas Mitchell, Peter Harris, Oliver Britton, Martin Reed, Martyn Gray, Ron Crumpholt, Dick Haynes, David Dane, Alan Russell, Jeanette Jackson, Margaret Arthur, Tracy Copping, Karen Kynman, Jean Schurch, Shaun Trussell,

Sheila Wadsworth

Those whose anniversary of death is remembered this week

Ernest Stevenson, Ivy & Doug Pearson, John Duncan, Eve Haerle, Ernest Moules,

Fr. Christopher MacKonochie, Bill Darts, David MacGuire, Yvette Murrell, Peggy White.

**Choir Anthem: The care of our planet**

**Post Communion**

Lord God you have fed us with the true bread

And blessed us with your love.

Through the power of your Holy Spirit

transform our actions so that we strive

protect your wonderful creation and

live sustainably and in peace.

In the name of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ

**Amen**

**Church Appeal update**

**Very many thanks to everyone who has helped deliver leaflets. Please can you help with the last few? The results are really encouraging and I think we have already passed the £13,000 point.**

We are beginning to make more definite plans for the mission next year. More details soon. Please keep praying for this exciting and important initiative. We are planning the mission around the theme of God’s creation and climate change.

**Eco Tip Trinity 9:** Spend some time thinking about how eco-friendly the food you buy is. Try, if you can afford it, to buy some things that fall under the categories of LOAF: Locally grown, Organic, Animal friendly or Fairtrade, as you will be supporting a more sustainable world.

**Weds 11 August, 1pm: Come and join a Picnic & Prayers at St Albans Abbey**to welcome the Youth Christian Climate Network Relay who are leading a pilgrimage from Cornwall (G7 summit) to Glasgow (COP26) . Why not join them in the afternoon walking to Hemel Hempstead (all age!) to highlight Christians' concern for the Climate Crisis and the need for far-reaching immediate action to save the whole of God's creation from the dangerous rise in global temperatures. More info from Katrina 07708 064294 and [www.yccn.uk](http://www.yccn.uk/)

We hope to start the next **Faith Confirmed** Group within the next few months. If you would like to find out more about the Christian Faith or if you would like to be confirmed, this group is for you. Subtitled *‘101 questions about faith you always wanted to know but never dared ask’* it allows discussion and questions about everything from prayer to what you think about the Holy Spirit. About what happens at communion to Christian moral standards. If someone asked you what a Christian was, would you know how to reply? Faith confirmed helps you think about your answer to this question and to decide if it applies to you. Speak to Andrew if you are interested.

**Admission to Communion:** We plan to run a small group for children in Year 5 or above to admit them to communion so they are able to take a full part in the communion services in church. If you or your child would like to be part of this group and you have not already responded, please let Andrew know. We can then arrange the sessions at a convenient time for you.

The next communion at Magdalene Court is on Monday 16th August at 10.30am

**Hidden Humour**

Just think how dumb we'd look in front of our children, if twenty years from now we discover climate change was in fact not real. We'd have cleaned the ocean and the cities, preserved the rain forests and millions of species, innovated in multiple industries, made the air breathable again, created a more sustainable lifestyle for the decades to come and a better world for our children, completely for nothing!!!



Our Home Groups are operating on Monday evening at 8pm, Tuesday evening at 7.30pm and Thursday morning at 10.30am. See Week at a Glance for dates.

Next week’s readings: 1 Kings 19:4-8, Psalm 34:1-8, Ephesians 4:25-5.2, John 6:35, 41-51

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**WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE**

SUNDAY 1st*9th Sunday after Trinity / Climate Sunday*

AUGUST 7.20am Morning Prayer in church

 8.00am Holy Communion (Preacher: Katrina Nice)

 9.30am Family Communion for Climate Sunday

(Preacher: Katrina Nice)

 3.00pm Baptism of Brodie-Blu Aldridge and Hudson Hall

 6.00pm Evening Prayer at Bygrave

Mon 2nd 8.40am Morning Prayer in church

 10.30am Memorial Service for Vera Allsopp and

Interment of Ashes

5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom and in church

8.00pm Monday Home Group on Zoom (contact Emma)

Tues 3rd 8.40am Morning Prayer in church

 2.00pm Silent Prayer on Zoom (contact Katrina)
**5.30pm** Evening Prayer in church

Wed 4th 8.40am Morning Prayer in church

 9.30am Holy Communion

5.00pm Evening Prayer in church

Thurs 5th *Oswald, king, martyr, 642*

8.40am Morning Prayer in church
11.00 Worship at Osbourne Court

 5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

Fri 6th *Transfiguration of Our Lord*

Sat 7th 9.30am Morning Prayer in church

 12.00pm Wedding of Jason Camfield and Sam Joyce

 5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

SUNDAY 8th *10th Sunday after Trinity*

 7.20am Morning Prayer in church

 8.00am Holy Communion (Preacher: Andrew Holford)

 9.30am Parish Communion (Preacher: Andrew Holford)

 6.00pm Evening Prayer at Bygrave

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