

Newssheet 20th July 2025

Welcome to our service at St Paul's Egham Hythe, and especially if you are visiting or here for the first time. Do stay for refreshments after the service.

Hymns: 352 Jesus is Lord, 248 Great is the Lord, Open the eyes of my heart, Lord (sheet) 766 You shall go out with joy



Collect: Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer: Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reading: Colossians 1: 15-28:

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶ for 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. 18 He 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. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and 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. ²¹ And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—²³ provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. ²⁴I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶ the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸ It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Gospel: Luke 10: 38-42:

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴² there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

For prayer

- For those living in Hythe Road, Knights Close, Lacy Close and Langton Way.
- For Felicity being baptised today.
- For those who are unwell or have asked for prayer including: Alma, Debbie, Beth, Richard, Ken and Taylor.
- We pray for the family of Dave Cheung and all who mourn. At their year's mind remember Ronald Martin, Marilyn Lehman, Brain Jackson, Charles Hammond, John Bonney, Dorothy Tout and Barbara Scott.

What's on this week

Sunday 20 th July 10am	Holy Communion in church (streamed to YouTube and zoom)
12 noon	Baptism
Monday 21 st 7pm	Mothers' Union Deanery Party in hall – all welcome
7.30pm	Prayer and planning for Alpha – in church
Tuesday 9.30am	Morning Prayer
7.30pm	Foodbank
Thursday	No Stepping Stones or Tea and Chat (summer break)
Sunday 27 th July 10am	Holy Communion in church (streamed to YouTube and zoom)

Contact office@speh.org.uk for zoom joining codes and to sign up for weekly email updates

Preparing and Praying for Alpha: We're meeting this Monday 21st July at 7.30pm in church to pray and prepare for the autumn Alpha course. Please come along to pray (whether or not you can help with the course) and if you can't come to the evening but are willing to help do speak to Steve C or Ben or Rosie. Alpha will run on Monday evenings starting on 8th September – who will you invite?

Confirmation Service at St Paul's: We're delighted that Bishop Paul has agreed to come to St Paul's for our 10am service on Sunday 23rd November. If you're thinking you might be interested in Confirmation talk to Rosie or Sue – our Alpha course in September is a great way to prepare for this.

Stepping Stones and Tea and Chat: These along with Holy Communion on Thursdays are having a break over the summer - we welcome you back on 4th of September. Please do keep an eye on the newssheet for any ad hoc events.

Check out our website: Did you know you can catch up on our Sunday 10am services on our YouTube channel on our church website? Click on the YouTube logo at the top of the homepage. You can also find copies of the latest newssheet and the current order of service on the What's On page.



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