



## Newsheet 24<sup>th</sup> August 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:** *King of Kings, Majesty, 461 My Jesus, my saviour, There must be more than this (Consuming Fire), 565 Praise my soul, the king of heaven*

**Collect:** Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Post Communion Prayer:** God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Reading: Hebrews 12: 18-end

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, <sup>19</sup> and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup> (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.') <sup>21</sup> Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') <sup>22</sup> But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup> and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup> and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. <sup>25</sup> See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! <sup>26</sup> At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' <sup>27</sup> This phrase 'Yet once more' indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. <sup>28</sup> Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; <sup>29</sup> for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

### What's on this week

<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August 10am</b>	Holy Communion in church ( <i>streamed to YouTube and zoom</i> )
Tuesday 9.30am 7.30pm	Morning Prayer in the chapel Foodbank
Thursday	No stepping stones or tea and chat (back on 4 <sup>th</sup> September)
<b>Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August 10am</b>	Holy Communion in church conducted by Stephen Girling vicar of St Mary's Thorpe (with Rosie going there). ( <i>streamed to YouTube and zoom</i> )

Contact [office@speh.org.uk](mailto:office@speh.org.uk) for zoom joining codes or to sign up for email updates (approx. monthly)

**Don't forget - Stepping Stones and Tea and Chat return on 4<sup>th</sup> September.**

## For prayer

- For those living in Pooley Green Road, Railway Terrace and Riverside Drive.
- For those who are unwell or have asked for prayer including: Alma, Beth, Richard, Ken, Taylor, Jill and Jon.
- We pray for all who mourn and at their year's mind remember Lillian Vass, Mary Hoiney, Thomas Randall, Zena Ferris, Margaret Cadle and Paul Finbow.

**St Mary's Thorpe:** Next Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August we're delighted to welcome Stephen Girling, the vicar of St Mary's Thorpe to conduct our 10 am service and Rosie will be going to take the service at Thorpe.

## Alpha starts Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September: Who will you invite?



We're running an Alpha course this autumn, at 7.30pm in church on Monday nights, from 8 September to 10 November, plus Saturday 18 October. It's a great way to think about the basics of Christianity and discuss them together, with a light meal. **Please pray for the course and everyone taking part - at 7.30pm on Monday evenings from now on - and at any other time you'd like to of course!** If you're interested in taking part or volunteering, please speak to Ben. If you're interested in being confirmed in November and using the course to prepare, please speak to Rosie or Sue.

## Godly Play and Community BBQ:

Our 10 am service on Sunday 14th September will include Godly Play in the hall (for 4s to 14s).

After the service we're hosting a community BBQ – please keep the date and think about who you could invite. If you can help with practicalities please speak to Steve B.



**Youth Space** returns in the autumn with some special evenings for year 7's after school on Tuesdays 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> September and then a monthly group open to all years. Please pray for the new year 7s and team from the Diocese and St Paul's. See poster or website for more information.

**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 on the What's On page.



## Offering towards the work of St Paul's:

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