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**UNITED BENEFICE OF CORLEY
PARISH CHURCH & ST MARY &
ALL SAINTS CHURCH,
FILLONGLEY WITH FILLONGLEY
METHODIST CHURCH**

Anglicans and Methodists in Unity.



Battle of Britain 80 years

Dear Friends,

This week has seen the introduction of ‘the Rule of 6’ in a bid to slow down the transmission of Covid 19. The rationale behind the move is that, according to NHS Track and Trace, most transmission is through social gatherings indoors.

Obviously, when the new guidance was announced I was worried that once again we would be asked to close the church doors. Fortunately, the current Government and C of E guidance is that places of worship are exempt from the Rule of 6. But we have to be vigilant. Whilst we are doing everything in our power to reduce the possible spread of Covid 19 during services, we cannot guarantee a risk-free environment. It is up to all of us to do our part in protecting each other from this horrible virus. So, we continue to ask everyone who comes into church to wear a face mask, use the hand sanitiser and to stay 2 metres apart from others in the congregation.

However, what this new regulation does mean, is that we still won’t be able to offer hospitality after our services. This has always been a key part of our worship. Spending time together in friendship and fellowship after the services is one of the ways that builds community. I am hopeful that we will be able to offer ‘takeaway’ style refreshments after our harvest Holy Communion services,* that will enable us to share some time in the fresh air and in a safe and socially distant way. But, as with all aspects of this pandemic, the rules may change and we have to be flexible in our approach to what we are planning to offer.

Our collective thoughts are now turned towards Remembrance Sunday and of course Advent and Christmas. We are trying to work out the best way to offer appropriate and safe services at these special and important times. I think we will have to continue to be flexible, to plan for the current guidance and to have contingencies for if/when things change. We will try to give as much notice as possible for any changes to our current rhythm of services**. At the moment, we are really enjoying the freedom to gather for worship at both of our churches each Sunday.

If you have any ideas that you think would be helpful to try, as we continue to support each other through the pandemic, then please do not hesitate to get in touch. And, as always, if a conversation with me or any other members of the team would be helpful, please do contact us directly.

With love and prayers for you and yours Ali

Stop press

Services on Sunday next

10:30am Fillongley Church

9:00am Corley Church

Please bring and wear a face covering



*Harvest Holy Communion at Corley Parish Church, Sunday 27th September at 10.30am

Harvest Holy Communion at St Mary and All Saints Church, Fillongley Sunday 18th October at 10.30am

**Usual pattern of worship

	9am	10.30am
First Sunday	The Parish Church, Corley	St Mary and All Saints, Fillongley
Second Sunday	St Mary and All Saints, Fillongley	The Parish Church, Corley
Third Sunday	The Parish Church, Corley	St Mary and All Saints, Fillongley
Fourth Sunday	St Mary and All Saints, Fillongley	The Parish Church, Corley
Fifth Sunday	St Mary and All Saints, Fillongley	The Parish Church, Corley

LECTIONARY Readings and Prayers for Sunday 20th September 2020 ~ Trinity 15

Collects

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Lord God, defend your Church from all false teaching and give to your people knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings

Exodus 15: vs 2-15 ~ Psalm 105 vs 1-6, 37-end ~ Philippians 1: vs 21-end ~ Matthew 20: vs 1-16

Talk / Reflection

Revd Ali's reflection for this Sunday is included in the full Orders of Service attached to this bulletin. If you would like to worship along at home with the gathered congregations at the churches, the Service at Fillongley will start at 10:30am and the Service at Corley at 9:00am. If you would like to only read the reflection for Sunday it is also available as an attachment. The reflections will be shared in the sermon slot at both services.

HYMNS & WORSHIP SONGS

Here are the Hymns that we would have been singing in Church on Sunday ~

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour (StF 593)

When I survey the wondrous cross (StF 287) Sung to the 2nd tune ~ O Waly Waly

Father, hear the prayer we offer (StF 518)

And to sing along with this week, it's this one ~

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kDBJNQiugnM>

He's got the whole world in his hands (StF 536)

PRAYERS



Sundays @ 7pm.

A reminder that we are lighting a Candle every Sunday at 7pm during this time and putting it in our windows to be a sign of our solidarity and hope in the light of Jesus Christ that can never be extinguished.

⁶ Yet true godliness with contentment is itself great wealth. ⁷ After all, we brought nothing with us when we came into the world, and we can't take anything with us when we leave it. ⁸ So if we have enough food and clothing, let us be content. 1 Timothy 6: vs 6-8

To live content with small means, to seek elegance rather than luxury and refinement rather than fashion;

To be worthy, not respectable and wealthy not rich;

To study hard, think quietly, talk gently, act frankly, to listen to stars and birds, babes and sages, with open heart;

To bear all cheerfully, do all bravely, await occasions, hurry never;

In a word, to let the spiritual, unbidden and unconscious grow up through the common.

This is to be my symphony.

William Ellery Channing

Grant me. Lord, the serenity of knowing that I do your will and contentment with my lot.

Grant me the courage to change what I can change, the grace to accept what I cannot change

And the wisdom to know the difference

Anonymous.

RESOURCES

Attached to this Bulletin are these items ~

- ✚ Service of Holy Communion
Corley Parish Church Sunday 20th
September at 9:00am
- ✚ Service of Holy Communion
Fillongley Church Sunday 20th September
at 10:30am
- ✚ Reflection from Revd Ali Massey for Trinity 15
- ✚ *A case of reverse contagion?* by Revd Sheila
Bridge, Vicar of St Peter & St John, Rugby.



Everyone had to sit two marrows apart.

AND FINALLY DON'T FORGET

If there is anything that you need or know of someone who would appreciate being contacted or added to the mailing list for this weekly e-bulletin, please do not hesitate to contact Revd Ali, Revd Jane or any of the Churchwardens and Church Stewards listed below. ⁱ

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