

# United Benefice of Corley Parish Church & St Mary & All Saints Church, Fillongley with Fillongley Methodist Church

Anglicans and Methodists in Unity.

The last rose of summer?

# Dear Friends.

As you know, I have been Rector designate since my appointment as your new Rector in March this year. Due to the Coronavirus epidemic we have been unable to have the traditional service of Institution, Installation and Induction that marks the beginning of the Rector's new ministry.

The service usually would be attended by members of the two village communities representing all areas of community life as well as church members and the 'great and good', followed by a celebration involving lots of homemade cake!

Unfortunately, a big celebration is one of the many casualties of this horrible virus. But I am really pleased to let you know that we will be holding a very small service so that we can complete all the legal requirements and ask for God's blessing on my ministry and our communities.

Stop press
Services on Sunday next
9:00am Fillongley Church
10:30am Corley Church
Please bring and wear a face
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The service will take place at St Mary and All Saints Church, Fillongley on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am led by Bishop John. This is the really hard part - because of the severe restrictions on numbers allowed in church at the moment, I am not able to invite you all to come and witness the service. We can only accommodate a maximum of 30 people in church at the moment including the Bishop and Archdeacon.

I am really sorry to ask this, as ticketing God's house is the last thing I would ever want to do, but if you would like to come to the service then please could you contact me and I can book you a place if there is space available. You can call me on 07837124509 or email me <a href="mailto:reverendalimassey@gmail.com">reverendalimassey@gmail.com</a>. Rev Liz Jones has very kindly offered to lead the 9am service of Holy Communion at Corley Parish Church on October 4<sup>th</sup>.

This Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> September, is Harvest Holy Communion at Corley Parish Church at 10.30am. Hopefully the weather will be kind. Please bring a garden chair so that we can socially distance in comfort. You may also want to bring a blanket, a small percussion instrument if you have one (or maybe make one?) as we still aren't allowed to sing our harvest praise, even though we are outside. We will be serving 'take-away' refreshments after the service too.

The 9am service at St Mary and All Saints will be indoors as usual, although with the doors open to allow as much ventilation as possible, so you might want to bring a coat to that one too!

As always, if there is anything we, as a church community can do to help you and yours, then please do not hesitate to get in touch with me, Revd Jane or anyone else mentioned on the newsletter.

May God bless you always. Love and prayers Ali

## **Collects**

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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 of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 

# Readings

Exodus 17: vs 1-7 ~ Psalm 78 ~ Philippians 2: vs 1-13 ~ Matthew 21: vs 23-32

### 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 9:00am and the Service at Corley at 10:30am. If you would like to only read the reflection for Sunday it is also available as an attachment. The reflection will be shared in the sermon slot at both services.

I don't care who your dad is, this is an illegal gathering

#### **HYMNS & WORSHIP SONGS**

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

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow (StF 317)

From heaven you came, helpless babe (StF 272)

Father, hear the prayer we offer (StF 518)

Our final worship song is the one to sing along with this week ~

I danced in the morning when the world was begun (StF 247)

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mid=22D5B1E00EAEFE6064D322D5B1E00EAEFE6064D3&view=detail&FORM=VIRE

# **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.

# A prayer for when we are in a hard place

I stand in the troughs of life's hard seas, the Saviour from ill stands up to his knees.

I stand and look at the wrecks of my time, the Father of Time puts his hand in mine.

I stand and behold a heart that is grim, the gentle Spirit puts a smile within.

I kneel before the fates above and find the one whose name is Love.

We weep for the hungry without any bread, for children who need to be fed.

We weep for mistreated ones, strangers to love the oppressed by force from above.

We pray against cruelty, hatred and pain, inhumanity and greed for gain.

We pray for hostages, may they go free. And forgive the sinners, starting with me.

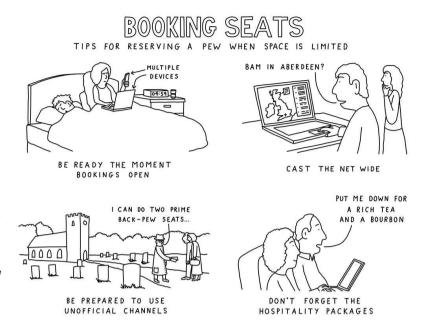
Andrew Dick

#### **RESOURCES**

Attached to this Bulletin are these items ~

- Service of Holy Communion for Harvest
   Corley Parish Church Sunday 27th September at 10:30am
- Service of Holy Communion Fillongley Church Sunday 27th September at 9:00am
- Reflection from Revd Ali Massey for Trinity 16
- New Alexa Skill to help say Morning & Evening Prayers and more.....

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This week's Dave Walker Cartoon from the Church Times

### 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.

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