



To know Jesus and to
make Jesus known

3RD FEBRUARY 2019

Welcome to our services today. If you are here for the first time, we hope you will soon feel at home. Please take a moment to fill out one of the yellow 'welcome cards' and hand it to one of the service leaders and do stay for refreshments served after the morning service.

Children: There are groups for children of all ages during the morning service. Please see the screens for the details of where each group meets.

SUNDAY 3RD FEBRUARY AT HA

- 9:45am** Prayer – in church before the service, all welcome
10:00am Morning Worship: Christian Friendship – Longing to Share
Leading: Tim Watson Speaking: Emma Taylor
Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2: 17 – 3: 13
6:30pm Communion
Leading & Speaking: Tm Watson
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CHURCH EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Mon 4th** 9:15 & 11:00am Sunflowers Stay & Play (church)
Tues 5th 10:00am Tuesday Prayer (church)
7:45pm Cheltenham Prayer for Schools Spring Meeting (Warden Hill School)
Sat 9th 8:15am Men's Breakfast (church hall)
7:00pm FROG (church hall)
Sun 10th 10:00am Communion
3:45pm Messy Church
6:30pm Communion

The full calendar including church bookings is available on churchsuite

Homegroups: We have a number of homegroups that run during the week. If you are interested in joining a homegroup please contact John Lawrence or Anna or Rob Swan Smallgroups@holypostles.org.uk

The church office is open Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:15 – 1pm.
Contact the church by email at churchoffice@holypostles.org.uk or phone 01242 242570
Visit the website at www.holypostles.org.uk

NOTICES

VACANCY UPDATE

For those of you who aren't already aware the post of Vicar of Holy Apostles and Priest-in-Charge of St Michael's has been offered to Ashley Collishaw, currently minister of Cheltenham Network Church (CNC). His start date will be communicated once this is confirmed. Please pray for Ashley, his wife Alex and their three children. Please also pray for the congregation at CNC as they will have received the news.

THIS WEEK

CHELTENHAM PRAYER FOR SCHOOLS NETWORK

The Spring meeting is on Tuesday 5th February at 7:45pm at Warden Hill Primary School.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday 9th February in the church hall from 8:15am. The speaker will be Nigel Scotland, formerly lecturer in church history and author of 20 books. He will be speaking on 'Why Suffering?'. Please join us for food, faith and fellowship by signing up on churchsuite or emailing Richard Simpson by 7th February: Richardsimpson1@hotmail.com

COMING UP

IT TAKES TWO – BUILDING A LASTING MARRIAGE

Wednesday 20th March at Elim Church. An evening run by Care for the Family for all couples to build and strengthen your relationship. For tickets see: www.careforthefamily.org.uk

REMINDERS

SPRING HARVEST 2019

A group of Church Family will be taking an annual trip to Butlins in the Easter Holidays (13th – 18th April). There is one 5-berth self-catering chalet available if anyone would like to join us. If you are not a family of 5 please do ask Beanie to explore other options.

HA YOUTH

HAY

Please note there is no HAY meeting on Sunday 10th and 17th February in the evening.

YOUTH ON TOUR

7 young people will be joining others from Trinity Cheltenham on a weekend away 22nd-24th February. Please pray for the young people and their leaders as they prepare.

YOUTH TEAM VACANCY

Could you help out on the 3rd and 4th Sunday evening of the month and be part of our amazing youth ministry? You don't have to be young or perfect, just reliable and willing to listen and learn from the young people. Please speak to Jon Bull for more information.

BIBLE READING

HOLY APOSTLES NEEDS YOU! - NEW PCC MEMBERS



We will be holding our APCM meeting on Sunday 7th April. At the meeting we will be electing three new members onto the PCC. The PCC helps lead the church, along with the vicar and as such we want to make sure the PCC is representative of the church as a whole. We are therefore asking all eligible members of HA to think about putting themselves forward to

join the PCC. There are some conditions to being elected a) you must have been on the electoral roll for Holy Apostles for at least the preceding six months (unless aged under 18); b) an actual communicant at Holy Apostles and c) over 16 years of age. If you want to know more about being part of the PCC please talk to one of the wardens (Ian Moat or Martin Southgate) or one of the current PCC members (Mel Boswell, Jon Bull, Sarah Burdett, Steve Burdett, Margaret Clifford, Megan Day, Roger Faulks, Fiona Foulger, Dan Frankael, Rob Gill, Dom Hamilton, John Lawrence, Penny Metcalfe, Jo Palmer, Tony Solomon or James White). Please pray as to whether you are being called to serve the church in this way. With a new vicar starting this year it will be an exciting time to be on the PCC. Nomination forms will be available soon.



Recordings of the latest Sunday morning talks along with recent noticesheets are now available on the website:

<http://holyapostles.org.uk/church-life/news-resources/>

1 THESSALONIANS 2: 17 – 3: 13

But, brothers and sisters, when we were orphaned by being separated from you for a short time (in person, not in thought), out of our intense longing we made every effort to see you. ¹⁸ For we wanted to come to you – certainly I, Paul, did, again and again – but Satan blocked our way. ¹⁹ For what is our hope, our joy, or the crown in which we will glory in the presence of our Lord Jesus when he comes? Is it not you? ²⁰ Indeed, you are our glory and joy.

So when we could stand it no longer, we thought it best to be left by ourselves in Athens. ² We sent Timothy, who is our brother and co-worker in God's service in spreading the gospel of Christ, to strengthen and encourage you in your faith, ³ so that no one would be unsettled by these trials. For you know quite well that we are destined for them. ⁴ In fact, when we were with you, we kept telling you that we would be persecuted. And it turned out that way, as you well know. ⁵ For this reason, when I could stand it no longer, I sent to find out about your faith. I was afraid that in some way the tempter had tempted you and that our labours might have been in vain. ⁶ But Timothy has just now come to us from you and has brought good news about your faith and love. He has told us that you always have pleasant memories of us and that you long to see us, just as we also long to see you. ⁷ Therefore, brothers and sisters, in all our distress and persecution we were encouraged about you because of your faith. ⁸ For now we really live, since you are standing firm in the Lord. ⁹ How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you? ¹⁰ Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you again and supply what is lacking in your faith. ¹¹ Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus clear the way for us to come to you. ¹² May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you. ¹³ May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

COLLECTION

We do not take a collection during the service but if you would like to contribute to the work of Holy Apostles please use the bowl by the church door. If you would like to know more about giving regularly please pick up a leaflet from the back of church