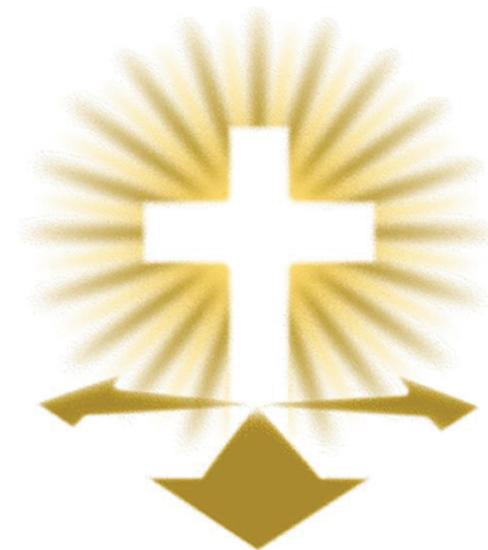


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Update

June 2018



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH ALDERSHOT
'Church for Everyone'

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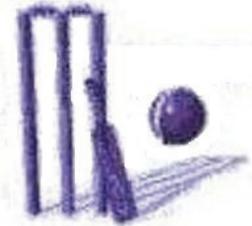
Soul Sisters is Holy Trinity's answer to good Fun, fellowship and generally a great laugh for all "the ladies" – young (over 14 years) and more mature.



We are gearing up for our ladies weekend in Poole later in June. We are praying that all the ladies going will enjoy fellowship and fun, and be blessed as we worship and learn together.

Trisha Haley and Jacquie Kellagher
On behalf of Soul Sisters

There may be the opportunity of a church cricket match on the evening of Friday, July 13th. Please let George know if you are interested in playing.



Verse for the year 2018:

'We will, in all things, grow up into...Christ.

From Him the whole body...grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.'

Ephesians 4:15-16

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this issue, including to Natalie Mitchell for proof-reading and to Wendy Sear and Heather Baig for final assembly of the magazine and prayer leaflet. Thanks to Tat for ongoing technical help.

Please note that the July 2018 issue of Update will be in Church on Sunday 24th June.

The LAST date for July articles will be Sunday 17th June.

WOMEN'S HOUR.

The 25th April saw us welcoming Mike Pusey as our guest speaker. As always his lovely wife Margaret accompanied him and as always his talk was both inspired and inspiring. He told us of his journey into becoming a Baptist minister which started when he attended Sunday school at the age of ten. By the time he reached his teens he was a committed Christian. Gradually he moved into becoming the powerful pastor he is now; a long and at times exciting pathway. We always enjoy Mike's visits and look forward to when he can come again.

The following week we had a lovely afternoon with Cara, where our ladies were given the choice of making either colourful rosettes or colouring in card to use as bookmarks. The results were amazing and as the ladies sat around tables they could chat as they worked. We had some really colourful rosettes and very pretty bookmarks representing various psalms.

The 10th May brought us one of our older speakers, David Warren. His talk centred on the subject of friendship and how important it is in our lives. We certainly value friendship very much at Women's Hour! We then had our usual tea, cake and biscuits.

On the 17th we did something different, as Cara led us in a time of prayer to coincide with the Ten Days of prayer; **Thy Kingdom Come**. After each reading we had a short time of prayer, followed by a hymn, then a time of reflection as Cara recited the Beatitudes interspersed with music from Taizé. Our ladies were then invited to go into the church where the Lord's Prayer had been portrayed at various points around the church by different items set on tables, many of which required interaction. We were pleased by how many took part in this. We do have a very varied assortment of people, speakers and things to do, to keep the interest going. There is always something for everyone.

Daphne and Jean V, on behalf of Women's Hour

FIRST FRIDAY CLUB

The First Friday club for men usually meets on the first Friday of each month and provides an opportunity for men to get together and share their experiences.

John Kellagher will not be around on the first Friday in either June or July, but men are still welcome to meet at 7pm and find somewhere to go to eat.

JOHN KELLAGHER WRITES

On the men's weekend at the end of April, we looked at the theme of maturity – taking a more in-depth look at the passage which is the base of our verse for the year. Our verse for the year is “We will in all things grow up into Christ, from whom the whole body grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.” But the context in which it is set – Ephesians 4 v11-17 – talks about becoming mature, growing up to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ.

So the theme was maturity – what is it to be mature, what are the marks of maturity? We focused on 4 marks of maturity – expectancy, dependency, community and service; two of these, community and service, come from the passage, and two, expectancy and dependency, come from looking at Jesus as our model, on the basis that if we want to see what maturity looks like, we look to Jesus. (One of the learnings of the weekend is that the way we define things in everyday life is not always the way that they are defined in the Bible, and we need to be aware that our definitions can slip in without us noticing).

Expectancy – One of the characteristics of Jesus in his human life was the expectancy that God was at work through him. Look at the time when he healed the son of a man just after the transfiguration - Mark 9 v14-29 – and in v23, in response to the father's plea of desperation, Jesus says – all things are possible to him who believes. The challenge/invitation for us is to live as people who expect God to be at work through us.

Dependency – This is an example of where our definition of maturity is at odds with a Christian definition. We think of someone mature as being someone who is able to stand on their own two feet, who is independent. But Jesus says that he does nothing of himself, he only does what he sees the Father doing (John 5 v19). In one sense, dependency is the other side of the coin of expectancy. If we expect God to be at work, we can depend on him. Have we learnt to depend for everything on God? My experience in preparing for the week-end was that I had to learn to depend on God!

Community – Ephesians as a letter is written to the church as a body, not to a collection of individuals – and chapter 4 v12 talks about the equipping of the saints – together – we cannot be mature on our own. And Jesus promised that when 2 or 3 are gathered – more than 1 on their own – he would be with them. Our culture is very individualistic – it is no accident that Apple success is based on the 'i-phone' the 'i-pod', the 'i-pad' etc. The challenge for us is to learn how to create and sustain 'community' in Aldershot in 2018 and beyond. This is a challenge for us all, not just the leaders of the church.

Service – the second part of Ephesians 4 v12 talks about the saints being equipped for the work of service. It's as we do what we're called to do that we will grow in maturity. Jesus taught his disciples by first modelling what he did to them and then by sending them out to learn. And at the end of the sermon on the mount – Matt 7 – Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish builders – and the difference between them is that the wise builders hear and do what Jesus says, whereas the foolish builders only hear, but don't put it into practice. It's not enough just to hear, we have to put what we hear into practice as well.

Two other thoughts on these characteristics of maturity: firstly, the four elements correspond to the four ends of the cross – expectancy looks up, looking up towards God; dependency looks down, depending on God. Community is one arm of the cross reaching out to our brothers and sisters and service is the other arm reaching out to the world in works of service.

Secondly, maturity is not something which just happens by osmosis, if we're lucky and the wind is from a particular direction. It's something which is life long, which involves choices, so we have to be intentional – and it's something which we can only do as we keep on being filled with and by the Spirit.

John

MENTAL HEALTH DROP IN

At our meeting on May 5th there was a lot of laughter, as people tried to work out the answers to my quiz - I didn't realise it was so funny. We also thoroughly enjoyed Daphne's cake with a cup of tea and some chat. As usual we ended with a time of prayer.



Tat has promised (threatened?!) to entertain us at our next meeting which is in Crossover on June 9th between 10.00 am and noon - this meeting is open to all sufferers and their carers.

Pat and Daphne

DEBS REFLECTS

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him and he will make your paths straight”

These verses from Proverbs 3. 5-6 are definitely ones that I often return to. I find them encouraging and challenging in equal measure, as a reminder that God is God and I am not!

My original plan for this month's Update article was to write about the many highlights of the last month, but actually in the midst of much change in the Wignall family, and not least our move to Aldershot in a few days time, I was reminded once again this morning to just stop, and look up, to be fully present with God in the moment, taking time to acknowledge my dependence on Him. Just taking time to prepare for another day, practising being in God's Presence, as I seek to be available to others, to be fully present with them too. Even though, and perhaps especially because, my 'to do' list is long and the temptation to worry about what I have even forgotten to put on the list is very real.

I have recently returned to, 'The Northumbrian Community's Daily Prayer Book,' (Available as a book or on-line, <https://www.northumbriacommunity.org>), and this is one of my favourite thoughts from them, which I leave with you as a challenge and encouragement, whatever life is like for you at the moment.

*Many a ship has sailed from port to port
with no interference from Me,
because Strong Will has been at the wheel.
Multitudes of pleasure cruises
Go merrily on their ways,
untouched by the power of My hand.*

But you have put your life into My Keeping,
and because you are
depending on Me for guidance and direction,
I shall give it.

Move on steadily,
And know that the waters that carry you
are the waters of My love and My kindness,
and I will keep you on the right course.

Frances J. Roberts, (*Northumbrian Community Celtic Daily Prayer*).

INTRODUCING ALICE

OUR NEW CHILDREN & FAMILIES WORKER



Hi, my name is Alice Stanford, and I am excited to be joining you as Children and Families Minister here in Aldershot. For me it comes with a strange sense of returning home, as I actually grew up just up the road in Farnborough, until I was eleven. Since then I have lived all over the country, and have enjoyed doing a number of different jobs.

I have always had a passion for working with children and families, and spent three years training at Moorlands College, before working at a church in Merseyside. More recently I have been living in Nottinghamshire, working as a care assistant. I love spending time with my family and can be described as a bit of a geek, as my hobbies include reading and crochet. I am looking forward to getting to know everyone at Holy Trinity and seeing what God has in store for us.

GEORGE WRITES

Dear Friends,

As I look back on the month of May, I see it as a month full of significant highlights which we need to celebrate.

First, there was the service to mark the 10th anniversary of the Town Centre Pastoral Team. There was a fairly full church for that, as we showcased the ministry to several guests (including the mayor, past and present councillors, the Leader of the Council and some from the police), as well as explaining the spiritual dynamic and hearing a number of testimonies. It was then wonderful to welcome onto our staff team our new Children and Families Minister – Alice – and already she has had 30 kids from the preschool nursery along with over 20 parents to a fantastic event in the church! Although it was a sad and somewhat emotional day, we also gave a good send-off to our longest worshipping member of the church family – Ruth Mason – at her funeral; she had been a member for 81 years!

It is always exciting when we come together to pray with faith and expectancy and there were some great times praying together during the 10 days of prayer, which was also known as Thy Kingdom Come. Thank you everyone for coming to those meetings, as well as stopping and pausing to pray at certain times in the day. The day that the 10 days culminated in, Pentecost Sunday, was marked by a wonderful united service of many, many ethnicities and styles, all joined together in the love and praise of Jesus and in prayer and fellowship, and the Beacon event in the evening at the Cathedral was also positive.

It also seems to be a time of “all change” for the staff team. As well as welcoming Alice, John and Jacquié have been moving house, Jonathan and Susan have moved on from Woodland Walk and Debs and Danny and family are in the process of moving in. Please do be praying for each one of us on the staff team and for Alice, who is currently staying with relatives, to find the right flat for herself in town.

We have also had some very special times in the SHAPE one-to-ones and we are starting a new SHAPE course for any who missed the last three earlier in the year (on some Thursday evenings through June). We can see so much potential coming out of this short course, both in terms of realisation of one’s gifts and talents and how God can use each one, as well as getting the bigger picture of how the body of Christ fits together. There seems to be a new culture growing in the church of confidence and stepping into what God has both created and redeemed us for, which is very encouraging, and it has been fantastic to see people take on new areas and step out

in boldness to try new things. We are also looking to start the Bible Course very soon which is very informative, and we have a brand new version of it. This will be running on Wednesday nights and everyone is welcome.

For those involved with any form of street ministry, there is the SHINE 2 conference in Reading on 9th June – details are on the posters at the back of church.

A special occasion for June is Bishop Andrew joining us for both services on 17th to preach; he is a great preacher, so do be inviting friends along to hear what God says through him.

It is a privilege to be your vicar and serve the kingdom with you all in these exciting times.

George

TOWN CENTRE PASTORAL TEAM, 10TH ANNIVERSARY

TCPT Aldershot would like to thank all the volunteers for the time, work, and heart that you all put in to making the 10th Anniversary of TCPT on 11th May 2018 at Holy Trinity Church, Aldershot a grand success.

A big thank you to Rev. George Newton for organising the event and giving a lively sermon and reminding us of the brief history of TCPT, Aldershot which was quite enlightening. We would also like to applaud the TCPT members who came forward to testify how God is working by touching people’s lives through the TCPT ministry. Our heartfelt thanks go to all the people who attended the occasion, including the Police, Rushmoor Council members and the Honourable Lady Mayor, Sophia Chaudhary.

We also would like to thank Vine caterers for the buffet of sandwiches along with other tasty dishes which were served in Crossover, along with scrumptious Fijian food, which the Fijian fellowship team graciously had brought along. It was a fabulous evening with people meeting, chatting and making new friends which went on till late in the evening.

Once again, your participation in the above event has been duly noted and very much appreciated.

Kind Regards,

George Pereira, TCPT Administrator
07592 492272 www.tcpt.org.uk/

NEWS FROM THE SOURCE:

ALDERSHOT PICNIC AND POP, FAMILY FESTIVAL

The Aldershot Picnic and Pop Family Festival is being held in Manor Park.

on Saturday 28th July 2018

For more information on this, see www.picnicandpop.co.uk

The nominated charity for the Picnic and Pop Festival is The Source, Aldershot's youth charity, which works with vulnerable and disadvantaged young people to prevent them from spiralling into offending and antisocial behaviour. The charity works with young people aged up to 25 years living in North East Hampshire and surrounding areas, particularly those who are isolated, struggling at school, in trouble with the law, have challenging family relationships, feel anxious or stressed, live on their own or are young parents.

Programmes include help with Anger Management, Counselling, Mentoring and Detached Youth Work.

For more information about The Source, see www.thesourceforyou.co.uk

VICTORIA DAY AND SHINE2

Victoria Day is on Saturday 9th June this year, coinciding with the SHINE2" event in Reading. Anyone from the Town Centre Pastoral team who is planning to stay back and support the 'Victoria Day' event, is asked to consider volunteering at the TCPT/ACT table for an hour or more. If you do decide to volunteer for the 'Victoria Day' event, could you please tell John Cook, who will be setting up the table for the event.

From George

The next Deanery Synod meeting, which is on June 14 at 8.00 pm, will have as a guest speaker a local Christian MP. Everyone is welcome to come and listen to him and ask any questions. The venue is St Johns Church, Cove.

CHURCH ARMY SUNDAY

Church Army is one of the organisations which we, as a church, support with our giving. Church Army was established in 1882 by Wilson Carlile with a vision to train ordinary Christian men and women to reach those most in need with the Gospel. Church Army continues to build on these foundations and today has a vision "for everyone everywhere to encounter God's love and be empowered to transform their communities through faith shared in words and actions." It aims to give hope to those most in need, such as the homeless, women experiencing prostitution, those battling addictions, young offenders, the elderly and children and young people, to name a few.

One of the ways in which they do this is through Centres of mission. These Centres are not buildings, but are when two commissioned Church Army evangelists move into an area, at the invitation of a Bishop or senior member of the diocesan team, to partner with the local church in that area. They work to fulfil Church Army's DARE strategy, to *Do, Advocate, Resource and Enable* evangelism and do this through developing fresh expressions of church for the unchurched and marginalised, as well as training and equipping the church to do mission in their own context. Some of the projects arising from these centres include Youth Churches for unchurched young people, a converted double decker bus which serves as a community drop in and Youth Café, food banks, practical support with parenting and debt and fresh expressions of church for those who are vulnerable or suffering with mental health issues. There are currently 20 Centres of Mission across the UK with a plan to increase this to 50 by 2027.

Church Army is also committed to resourcing all of us to share our faith effectively. If this is something you find difficult, you may like to look at Faith Pictures which is a free downloadable course which aims to help you talk to anyone about what you believe. This can be done individually or in a small group. You can find more information at www.faithpictures.org.

Further information about the work of Church Army will be on display in church on June 3rd or you can find more information on their website www.churcharmy.org.

Janet Bento

ALDERSHOT CHURCHES PRAYING TOGETHER

The Aldershot Churches Together (ACT) prayer meetings are held monthly on a Monday (normally on the fourth Monday of the month) at the Church of the Ascension, Ayling Hill, at 7.45pm. This month's ACT prayer is on:

Monday 25th June 2018

CARING FOR GOD'S WORLD

Food Waste

I read recently that **one third** of all food produced globally is wasted, which is rather horrifying - and there are countries where people are starving.

Here are some tips about how we can avoid or reduce wasting food:

1. Plan meals
2. Use grocery lists
3. Buy exactly what you need
4. Eat leftovers or freeze them – have a 'use-it-up' day
5. Revive stale bread by putting it in the oven for a few minutes
6. Semi-skimmed and skimmed milk and hard cheese (cut into small portions) can be frozen
7. Buy frozen vegetables – you are more likely to use only what you need
8. Think about composting.

I'm sure you can come up with lots of other ideas. By doing all this you are also likely to save money!

Jane Newton

Whom do I tell...

...when something needs to be done in the HT building or site?

When **something is broken** or needs replacing, tell **Don Payne** (01252 653182).

For toilet rolls and paper towels – tell Jean Embelton. (01252 320926

Claire Oak is HT's new cleaner; phone 404508 or barryoak3@googlemail.com

A PILGRIMAGE TO IONA

Revd. Haydon Wilcox is leading another pilgrimage/holiday to Iona, in Scotland from 26th July - 3rd August 2019. Contact him for a brochure on 01252 621639 or by email: haydonwilcox@mac.com. Details of Haydon's other events and trips are available on request for The Holy Land, South Korea, Oberammergau and for his retreats.

THOSE WERE THE DAYS

A series of short articles drawn from the parish magazines of yesteryear.

This item from 1898 shows both similarities and differences over the years.

The Bishop of Winchester holds an Ordination at Farnham on Trinity Sunday, June 5th. This ordination will have a special interest for us of Holy Trinity, Aldershot, owing to the fact that the Rev. W. R. Bentham hopes then to be ordained priest. We would draw the attention of our parishioners to the days of special prayer (called Ember Days) which precede the Ordination, and earnestly ask the prayers of all for Mr Bentham at this time, that the Holy Ghost may fill him for power to fulfil the duties of the office of a Priest in the Church of God, which will be committed to him by the laying on of hands.

June 5th (Trinity Sunday) will be observed by us, as usual, as Hospital Sunday. Special sermons will be preached morning and evening by the Rev Canon Valpy, Canon Missioner to the Diocese. The offertory will be divided between the Guildford and Aldershot Hospitals. There will also be a Children's Flower Service in the afternoon at 3 o'clock. The offerings of flowers will, after the service, be sent to the Cambridge and Women's Hospitals in Camp, to the Aldershot Town Hospital and to the Farnham Infirmary. The offerings of money will be given to the special Children's Hospital Fund in connection with the Aldershot Hospital.

PASTORAL CARE MINISTER FOR CHURCH ON THE HEATH

The Church on the Heath is seeking to appoint a part-time Pastoral Care Minister to oversee and develop their pastoral ministry.

The successful applicant will have oversight of and/or direct involvement in all areas of our pastoral care, working closely with our Minister, Rev. Patrick Butler, and the Ministry Team. The post is a permanent part-time position for 21 hours per week, with an annual salary of £12,290. The hours are to be worked flexibly, including some evenings, weekends and Sundays.

The application deadline is June 25th. For further details about the application process see www.churchontheheath.org.uk/pcm ..

Polly Duncan, Church Administrator, The Church on the Heath, Elvetham Heath, Fleet GU51 1HA01252 400236 www.churchontheheath.org.uk

See poster on the board at the back of church

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There is a **hearing loop** in the main church building and also in Crossover.

To tune into the loop use the "T" mode setting on your hearing aid.

UPDATE IN LARGER PRINT

A small number of copies of Update and the Prayer Diary in larger print are available at the back of church. Please tell Christine Ward (01252 320210) if more copies are needed.

Large print **hymn books** are also available at the back of church – if you need one, please ask a sidesperson.



HELP WITH CLEANING OR IRONING

Deirdre Baker, a member of HT, offers a cleaning and/or ironing service, which can be for a short one-off blitz. If interested, contact Deirdre on 317833.

RELIABLE IRONING SERVICE.

Your ironing done in my smoke & pet free home. Very reasonable rates. Please ring Cathy Hawkins on 07792 913553 for details.

JUNE 2018 DIARY

1	7.00pm	First Friday Club for men – meet at church	(See page xx)
3	SUNDAY		
	9.30am	Morning Praise	
	11.15am	Alternative Service	
	1.30-3.30pm	20s30s lunch at Jenny's café	
	6.30-8.00pm	Re:Form, HT Youth, ages 11-16	(Sundays in term)
4	7.30pm	PRAISE, PRAYER AND PROPHECY	
5	2.00 & 7.30pm	Fellowship Groups	(Tuesdays)
6	11.15am	Holy Communion with PRAISE, PRAYER AND PROPHECY	
	2.30, 7.15 & 8.00pm	Fellowship Groups	(Wednesdays)
	7.30pm	POD Groups	
	7.30pm	Bible Course in Crossover	(Wednesdays until 11 th July)
7	10-11.30am	Contact for parents and toddlers	(Thursdays in term*)
	2.30pm	Women's Hour	(Thursdays)
	7.30pm	POD Groups	
	7.30 for 7.45pm	New SHAPE course begins; also 21 st & 28 th (see page 8)	
8	9.30-11am	Parent POD	(Fridays in term*)
	10.30am	Fellowship Group at Kingsley Court	(alternate Fridays)
	6-7pm	Kids Club	(Fridays in term*)
	8.00pm	TCPT meeting in Crossover	
9	10.00am to 12	Mental Health Drop In	
10	SUNDAY		
	9.30am	Morning Praise	
	11.15am	Alternative Service	
13	11.15am	Holy Communion	(Wednesdays)
15	7.45pm	Worship Team practice	
17	SUNDAY	Bishop Andrew speaks at both services	
	9.30am	Holy Communion	
	11.15am	Alternative Service	
22 nd to 24 th		Soul Sisters Weekend Away at the Greenhouse Christian Centre in Poole	(see page x)
24	SUNDAY		
	9.30am	Morning Praise	
	11.15am	Holy Communion	
25	7.45pm	ACT Prayer at Church of the Ascension	(see page x)
30	10am–12noon	Prayer ministry team gathering	(see page x)
	10.30am	Debs' priesting at the Cathedral	

* Check dates/times with group leaders

The Summer term in Hampshire schools began on Monday 16th April 2018 and ends on Monday 23rd July. The half term break is from 26th May to 3rd June.