

To know Jesus Christ and make Him known

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21ST JUNE 2020
SUNDAY PODCAST SERVICE



The Day that Shapes our Prayers
(Philippians 1:1-11 & 2 Peter 3:1-18)

Preacher: Francis Blight

ALL SAINTS CLUB (ASC)

A weekly YouTube video for children up to 11 years can be accessed, along with activity sheets, through links on the church website site.

LET'S CONNECT ON ZOOM! Coffee Time 11.30am – 12.15pm

The web link and password has been emailed to the church family along with this Service Sheet.

All Saints Summer Focus

SUNDAY PODCASTS PERSONAL BIBLE & PRAYER GROWTH GROUPS

Our summer focus is on *Paul's Letter to the Philippians* from the New Testament. This part of God's Word is full of encouragement:

- to make knowing Christ your top personal priority,
- to strive as partners together, united in the advance of his gospel.

I pray that it will minister to us during this time when we are unable to gather for weekly worship and fellowship. See inside for further details about resources for Growth Groups and your personal devotions.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
As we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours
now and forever.
Amen.

CONFESSION

Almighty and most merciful
Father, we are sorry:
For doing what we want and not
what you want and straying from
your ways like lost sheep.
**All: Father, please forgive us
and help us to obey you.**

For breaking your perfect laws in
the Bible by not loving you with
our whole heart, and not loving
other people as ourselves.

**All: Father, please forgive us
and help us to obey you.**

For sinning against you by what
we have thought and said and
done and by the good things we
have failed to do.

**All: Father, please forgive us and
help us to obey you. Amen**

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Do you believe and trust in
God the Father?

**All: I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his
Son Jesus Christ?

**All: I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived
by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died,
and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand
of the Father,
and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

Do you believe and trust in the
Holy Spirit?

**All: I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen**

COLLECT PRAYER

Lord, you have taught us that all our
doings without love are worth nothing:
send your Holy Spirit and pour
into our hearts that most excellent
gift of love, the true bond of peace
and of all virtues, without which
whoever lives is counted dead before
you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus
Christ's sake, Amen.

IN CHRIST ALONE

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm

What heights of love what
depths of peace
When fears are stilled when
strivings cease

My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones

He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of
Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RCeSOY5tisl>

CORNERSTONE

(My Hope is Built on Nothing Less)

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' name

*Christ alone, Cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's
love*

*Through the storm
He is Lord
Lord of all*

When darkness seems to hide
His face

I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil

When he shall come with
trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless, stand before the throne

"Cornerstone (My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less)"

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QvLxZEU02uI>

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PODCAST TEACHING

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(Philippians 1:1-11 & 2 Peter 3:1-18)

All Saints Summer Focus



SUNDAY PODCASTS PERSONAL BIBLE & PRAYER GROWTH GROUPS

GROWTH GROUPS are really useful for fellowship and studying together. They are continuing to meet via ZOOM where possible and will be studying Philippians alongside the podcasts over the summer. Groups usually meet midweek evenings but also during the daytime if that suits you better. Interested in joining a group?

Contact the church office or Keith Hodges (Growth Groups Co-ordinator) at keith_hodges@ntlworld.com or phone 07982 660357 (text during working hours).

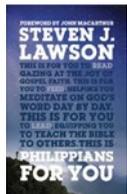
STUDY RESOURCES FOR GROWTH GROUPS AND PERSONAL BIBLE & PRAYER TIMES

Explore Philippians by Tim Thornborough This divides the letter into 21 short studies. Growth Group leaders are using this material to lead their groups and it will help you to study the letter on your own or with your family if you have older children.



The Good Book Company's *Explore Bible Devotional App* is the simplest way to access the material via your smartphone or tablet. It is well designed and available to download from the Apple App store or Google Play. Once downloaded you can buy the Philippians material through the app. <https://www.thegoodbook.co.uk/explore-app>

If a digital version won't work for you, contact the church office office@fordhamchurch.org.uk and they can email you a **pdf version to printout**. Explore Philippians costs £1.99 in either format.



Going Deeper If you would like to spend more time studying the letter each week, then I recommend **Philippians For You by Steven J Lawson**. This is a readable commentary which will help you to understand and apply the letter more deeply.

<https://www.thegoodbook.co.uk/philippians-for-you-ebook> £6.39

<https://www.thegoodbook.co.uk/philippians-for-you> £ 10.19 plus p+p

NEXT SUNDAY

Joy: Purpose and Blessing Through Difficult Times

Psalm 67 & Philippians 1:12-18

Preacher: Paul Southern

NOTICES

PRAYER FOCUS Thursday, 2nd July 19.30 - 21.00 We will be hearing from Sandy and Kirsten Russell, whose ministry we have been supporting as a church for some 20 years as they seek to bring gospel hope, Bible translation and relief to areas of Kurdistan. They are now based at their London home having spent most of their time living in Erbil but maintain their mission work both overseas and in the UK. You can find out more on our church website; <https://fordhamchurch.org.uk/> Please join us as they share more about their work and lead us in a time of prayer.



QUIET DAY Francis plans to take a quiet day for prayer, study and reflection this coming Wednesday 24th June. He won't be available on the telephone or email during the day but he can pick up messages on Thursday.

ALL SAINTS CARE TEAM If you need any help, please contact a member of the church care team: Lynda Grote (co-ordinator) 07969 688710 or 01206 211384, Georgina Blight (co-ordinator) 01206 621576, Janette Miller 01206 421039, Shirley Hodges 01206 512381 or 07517 878782, Grace Lee 07881 822432, Lesley Southern 07895 074049

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED

WEDNESDAY 24TH JUNE 7.30 - 9.00pm

Please continue to pray that God will bless and use this course so that participants can discover who Jesus is, what he achieved and how they should respond to him.



GIVING TO ALL SAINTS FORDHAM AND EIGHT ASH GREEN

If you would like details of how to support the ministry of our church financially, or you have any questions about giving during the current lockdown, please speak to our treasurer Roger Miles on 01206 396477 or email him at r.j.miles@talktalk.net

BENEVOLENT FUND The All Saints FEAG PCC has opened a Benevolent Fund in response to the Covid-19 pandemic. The purpose is to help if someone within the church family is severely financially impacted during lockdown and is unable to obtain support from the State or their biological family (Acts 2.45, Acts 4:34-35). If you would like to contribute, please make payments to FEAGPCC bank account 20369047 Sort Code 20-22-67 marking your payment *Benevolent Fund*.

NEXT DIOCESAN BISHOP CONSULTATION

Help Identify the Next
Bishop of Chelmsford
See how you can help

Do not forget to have your say on the kind of person you believe should lead the church as our next diocesan bishop. Every voice needs to be heard, especially those that know the power of the word of God to transform lives, calm the storm, and equip to contend for the apostolic faith that has been passed down the generations so that we too play our part in passing on the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ. **The deadline for the questionnaire is the 4th July.** You can complete it online by going to https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/uploads-new/pages/VISC-questionnaire_final.pdf or we can print a downloaded copy of the consultation for you to complete, which can be posted to: 'The Vacancy in See Committee, Diocese of Chelmsford, 53 New Street, Chelmsford, CM1 1AT. The responses will shape the **Statement of Needs** that will give potential candidates a sense of the breadth of witness which has been the characteristic of our diverse diocese, as well as the issues that come from seeking to be distinctive in a culture imbued with secular values.

The six questions open on a positive note, inviting you to begin by stating,

- 1. What you value most about the church in your community as well as across Essex and East London.** This is followed by an invitation to identify...
- 2. What challenges does the Church face in East London and Essex as we seek to share the Good News of Jesus?** Then a more personal view ...
- 3. What wider issues would you like our next Bishop of Chelmsford to be passionate about?** The next question considers the skills needed for the post...
- 4. What qualities, skills or leadership characteristics will our next Bishop of Chelmsford require?** The focus then shifts to the impact of Covid 19 on ministry ...
- 5. What kind of person will our next Bishop of Chelmsford need to be (particularly as we emerge from the coronavirus pandemic)?** Finally, an opportunity to comment further ...
- 6. What else would you like to tell us? -**

There are a few additional questions that relate to you, mostly at the end, which are there to help assess the coverage of responses. Answers should not exceed 250 words per question (other than the last 'empty page' one). You do not need to answer every question. The diocesan website has a number of resources which can be accessed from the [Help Identify the Next Bishop of Chelmsford Hub Page](#). This includes prayer resources, 'the process explained', and the implications of the coronavirus pandemic (which sets the context for Question 5). There are also some good resources for children and young people, which will allow them to participate in the consultation, accessible from the hub page above or more directly from:

https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/uploads-new/publications/facilitation_script_young_people.pdf

<https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/uploads-new/pages/childrens-woksheet-v3.pdf>

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