

*To know Jesus Christ and make Him known*

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**12TH JULY 2020**  
**SUNDAY PODCAST SERVICE**



***The Philippians Back Story:***  
***Lydia, Fortune Teller, Jail Quake***  
***Acts 16: 6 - 40***  
**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 – 12.30pm**

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

**ALL SAINTS PHILIPPIANS 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.

See inside for further details about resources for your personal devotions.

### **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**

### **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**

Lord God,  
we have sinned against you;  
we have done evil in your sight.  
We are sorry and repent.

Have mercy on us  
according to your love.

Wash away our wrongdoing and  
cleanse us from our sin.

Renew a right spirit with us  
and restore us to the joy  
of your salvation; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord. Amen

### **COLLECT PRAYER**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sancti-  
fied: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,  
that in our vocation and ministry we may serve you  
in holiness and truth to the glory of your name;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen

## MY HEART IS FILLED WITH THANKFULNESS

My heart is filled with thankfulness  
to Him who bore my pain;  
who plumbed the depths  
of my disgrace  
and gave me life again;  
who crushed my curse of sinfulness,  
and clothed me with His light,  
and wrote His law of righteousness  
with power upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness,  
to Him who walks beside;  
who floods my weaknesses  
with strength  
and causes fears to fly;  
whose every promise is enough  
for every step I take,  
sustaining me with arms of love  
and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness  
to Him who reigns above;  
whose wisdom is my perfect peace,  
whose every thought is love.  
For every day I have on earth  
is given by the King.  
So I will give my life, my all,  
to love and follow Him.

Stuart Townend and Keith Getty  
2003 Thankyou Music

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?  
v=yTpJxPyo3JE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yTpJxPyo3JE)



## MIGHTY TO SAVE (Everyone Needs Compassion)

Everyone needs compassion  
Love that's never failing  
Let mercy fall on me  
Ev'ryone needs forgiveness  
The kindness of a Saviour  
The hope of nations

Chorus

*Saviour He can move the mountains  
My God is mighty to save  
He is mighty to save  
Forever Author of salvation  
He rose and conquered the grave  
Jesus conquered the grave*

So take me as You find me  
All my fears and failures  
Fill my life again  
I give my life to follow  
Everything I believe in  
Now I surrender

Shine your light and let the whole  
world see  
We're singing  
For the glory of the risen  
King Jesus  
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[https://www.youtube.com/watch?  
v=GEAcs2B-kNc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GEAcs2B-kNc)

**PODCAST TEACHING**

***The Philippians Back Story;  
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## NOTICES

**ALL SAINTS CLUB, PETER SQUIRES** As many of you know, Pete has stepped down from leading the ASC. We would very much like to thank him for all the amazing work he did with the children in our church family. We would like to give him a gift and card. It would be wonderful if the card was full of thank you messages from you all. If you would like to write a message to Pete, please do and send it to Georgina via email [georginabligh@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:georginabligh@hotmail.co.uk) She will then arrange all the messages together in the card. Please make sure your message reaches Georgina by Monday 20th July. Many thanks!

### **ALL SAINTS CLUB MATTHEW GROUP ON ZOOM SUNDAY 19TH JULY, 4.00PM**

Join Katie and Georgina for a catch up, some fun and at look at the Bible together, via Zoom. For more details please ask your mum or dad to contact Georgina on 01206 621576 [georginabligh@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:georginabligh@hotmail.co.uk), The Matthew group is for young people aged 11+. A consent form will be required from parents before the meeting, giving permission for their child to participate in the Zoom session. If you have not already received this, please contact Linda Stenner on 07443031045

**DRIVE- IN SERVICE ON SUNDAY 26TH JULY, 6.00pm** Chris Reynolds is organising a drive-in church service which will be hosted in the Fordham Church car park! Please pray for God's leading that this innovative plan will come to together. At the moment it is estimated that there will be capacity for 27 cars.

## NOTICES

**PRAYING FOR THE LIFE OF OUR CHURCH - The Prayer Diary** for July is available electronically through the **Prayermate App** and the Church website.



**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

**CONTACTING THE MINISTER** If you would like to speak to Francis you are welcome to give him a call on 01206 243266. If you get the answer phone please leave a message and he will get back to you.

**MID-YEAR UPDATE SUNDAY 26TH JULY** The pandemic has created any extraordinary financial situation for the UK and the world. So how are our church finances looking after the first six months of 2020? At this stage we can say that it looks like our giving has held steady which is a reason to give thanks and praise to God. During the service Roger Miles will give a presentation on the half yearly financial figures.

**CHELMSFORD DIOCESE CLERGY CUTS** Since 2013 the diocese has been planning to reduce the total number of diocesan clergy from 275 down to 215 (60 posts), by the year 2025. But as a result of the financial impact of the lockdown on the predicted payment of parish share across the diocese, this reduction is now being brought forward to 2021.

**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, please speak to our treasurer Roger Miles on 01206 396477 or email him at [r.j.miles@talktalk.net](mailto: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 the FEAGPCC bank account 20369047 Sort Code 20-22-67 marking your payment *Benevolent Fund*.

## **TRIAL SUNDAY SERVICES AT FORDHAM CHURCH ON 19<sup>TH</sup> & 26<sup>TH</sup> JULY 10.00AM**

You are invited you to join us for two trial Sunday Services at Fordham Church on 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> July 10.00am. Seating will be limited to enable social distancing, so to guarantee places **please book by contacting Rachel Gage by 2.00pm on the previous Thursday** [rachel.gage@fordhamchurch.org.uk](mailto:rachel.gage@fordhamchurch.org.uk) or call 07968 280132. **Simple guidance for attending** will be published on the church website. If you have any concerns or questions about how things will work then please contact Rachel.

## **LIVESTREAM/PODCAST SERVICES & CHILDREN'S VIDEOS SUNDAYS 10.00AM**

Julian plans to livestream the services on 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> July and Ruth will continue to publish a weekly children's teaching video each Sunday.

From 2.00pm the service recording will be available as a downloadable podcast through the website and on the telephone listening service.

**NEXT SUNDAY 19TH JULY, 10.00AM**

***United Together for Christ's Gospel***

***Philippians 1:21 –2:4***

**Preacher: Francis Blight**

**VIRTUAL COFFEE TIME ON ZOOM, 11.30-12.30PM**

## **LOOKING AHEAD TO SUNDAY SERVICES IN AUGUST**

If the trial services are successful, they will continue during August. It looks like the key issue will be having sufficient stewards available to host each Sunday.

**STEWARDS** In order to safely open our churches we need to make a number of changes to how we do things and it will take a while for us to get used to this new way of worshipping together. To help everyone adapt to these changes we need a minimum of 4 stewards at each service. These stewards will replace the welcome team (just for now) and will have a wider remit in helping people adapt to moving around inside and outside the building whilst maintaining the correct social distance. If you are able to serve in this way please contact Rachel Gage **as soon as possible**. 07968 280132, [office@fordhamchurch.org.uk](mailto:office@fordhamchurch.org.uk)

We know there are some who would love to help but find yourself in a vulnerable group or concerned about infection. We completely understand and do not want to put you or a loved one at risk so please, at this time, do not feel that you are letting us down in any way by not being able to help. Class this as a sabbatical!

