

To know Jesus Christ and make Him known

The **Church Office** is open for enquiries and assistance by telephone and email only

Tuesday - Friday, 9.15am - 2.30pm

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SUNDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2020
ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN
10.00AM MORNING SERVICE - ONLINE ONLY

The Secret of Contentment

Philippians 4:10-23

Preacher: Francis Blight



11.30 - 12.30PM VIRTUAL COFFEE TIME ON ZOOM
The Church Office will email the Zoom link during the week.

THIS WEEK
CHRISTMAS PLANNING & PRAYER
WEDNESDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 8.00 - 9.15PM

We want to make the most of the Christmas season for building up our church family and sharing the message of Jesus with the wider community. Making plans under COVID-19 restrictions is challenging (!) so this will be an opportunity for anyone who is interested to join in for a planning and prayer time. If you would like to serve in some way over the Christmas season (contributing to a service, decorating the church, distributing publicity etc) it will be great to have your involvement. The meeting will be on Zoom. Please let the church office know if you would like to participate by lunchtime on Tuesday 17th Nov.

SHOW US CHRIST

Prepare our hearts O God
Help us to receive
Break the hard and stony ground
Help our unbelief

Plant Your Word down deep in us
Cause it to bear fruit
Open up our ears to hear
Lead us in Your truth

*Show us Christ show us Christ
O God reveal Your glory
Through the preaching of Your Word
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord*

Your Word is living light
Upon our darkened eyes
Guards us through temptations
Makes the simple wise

Your Word is food for famished ones
Freedom for the slave
Riches for the needy soul
Come speak to us today

Show us Christ...

Where else can we go Lord
Where else can we go
You have the words of eternal life

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CONFESSION

Almighty God,
long-suffering and of great goodness:
I confess to you,
I confess with my whole heart
my neglect and forgetfulness
of your commandments,
my wrong doing, thinking and speaking;
the hurts I have done to others,
and the good I have left undone;
O God, forgive me,
for I have sinned against you,
and raise me to newness of life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

COLLECT

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed
to destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope,
may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power
and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you. Amen

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader: Let us affirm our faith
in Jesus Christ the Son of God

All: Though he was divine,
he did not cling
to equality with God,
but made himself nothing.

Taking the form of a slave,
he was born in human likeness.
He humbled himself
and was obedient to death,
even the death of the cross.

Therefore God
has raised him on high,
and given him the name
above every name:
that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bow,
and every voice proclaim that
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God
the Father.

Amen

cf Philippians 2.6-11



YET NOT I BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love
my deep and boundless peace

*To this I hold
My hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me*

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour he will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed
*To this I hold
My Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me*

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave
*To this I hold
My sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me*

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold

*My hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete
Still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me*

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TODAY'S TEACHING
The Secret of Contentment
Philippians 4:10 - 23

**What Have I Learnt
from Philippians?**

**NEXT SUNDAY 22ND NOVEMBER
ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN
10.00AM MORNING SERVICE - ONLINE ONLY
INCLUDING THE ADMISSION OF THE CHURCH WARDENS**

A Revelation of Jesus Christ

Revelation 1.9-18

Preacher: Francis Blight, Leader: Nick Durlacher

11.30 - 12.30PM VIRTUAL COFFEE TIME ON ZOOM
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**ALL SAINTS CLUB ONLINE
3.00 - 3.45PM LUKE GROUP 4 - 11 YEARS
4.00 - 5.00PM MATTHEW GROUP 11-15 YEARS**



We would love you to join us on Zoom for games, chat, Bible teaching and prayer. A consent form is required from your parents. For more details please contact Georgina Blight via the church office 01206 243261 office@fordhamchurch.org.uk

NOTICES

RENEW CHELMSFORD PARTNERSHIP SYNOD ONLINE 28TH NOVEMBER 9-11.30AM

Jeremy Anderson will be speaking to us about Church Finances under Covid and taking collective action through financial gospel partnership. Jeremy was previously Chairman of KPMG's Global Financial Services practice. He is the Church treasurer of St Helen's Bishopsgate and the Chair of Oak Hill College Council. We will also have various updates on promoting and protecting the Gospel in our region including updates regarding Cornerstone Colchester; the Essex and East London Good Stewards Trust; leadership of ReNew Chelmsford; the Ordination of Jide Macaulay; and the appointment process for the next Bishop of Chelmsford. Please contact the church office for details of the Zoom link and password. It is also possible to join the meeting via phone.

ALL SAINTS FORDHAM SCHOOL GOVERNOR Francis is looking for a member of the church family to join the school governing body as a foundation governor. You will join him and Mary Durlacher as fellow governors in the work of encouraging and developing the Christian Ethos of the school. The post is nominated by the PCC. If you would like to serve in this important role please get in touch with him.

ALL SAINTS CARE TEAM If you need any help or would like someone to talk to, please contact a member of the church care team. Lynda Grote (co-ordinator) 07969 688710 or 01206 211384, Lesley Southern (co-ordinator) 07895 074049, Janette Miller 01206 421039, Shirley Hodges 01206 512381 or 07517 878782, Grace Lee 07881 822432. The next Care Team Meeting will be on Tuesday 24th November 8.00 - 9.30pm.

PRAYER DIARY Please pray that the right person can be found to continue this important and helpful ministry; someone who has the time each month, and appropriate skills and vision for the task.



SAMARITAN'S PURSE: OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Helping in Jesus' name. **Monday, 16th November** is the final day to drop your shoebox at the collection point located at Kingsland Church in Colchester (CO3 9DW). Please remember to include the suggested donation of £5/box

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

ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN AWAY GIVING 2020

Overseas		
1	Serving in Mission (Sandy & Kirsten Russell) Including the Calendar Project	£7,000
2	Release International	£2,000
UK – National		
3	Oak Hill College	£2,000
4	True Freedom Trust	£1,000
5	Christian Concern	£600
UK - Local (Colchester/Essex)		
6	Essex University Christian Union This cheque was part of 2019's giving, but was cashed in 2020.	£250
7	UCCF (Universities & Colleges Christian Fellowship) To support the UCCF staff worker Helen Richardson who covers Essex University, Colchester	£550
8	Open Door Colchester	£550
9	Souzan Yousif (Mahabbah)	£550
10	St Peter's Colchester* (Rev Mark Wallace) General Fund	£550
11	St Peter's Colchester* (Rev Mark Wallace) For Rev Aella Gage who finished at St Peters in August 2020 without a new post to move to.	£550
12	Cornerstone Church Colchester, Essex* (AMiE) John & Mim Parker are planting a new church under the oversight of the Anglican Mission in England.	£550
13	St Paul's Clacton-on-Sea, Essex* (Rev David Lower) Towards loss of hall rental income due to lockdown.	£550
14	St. Michael's, Kirby-le-Soken and All Saints', Great Holland, Essex* (Rev Mark Holdaway). Towards loss of hall rental income at St Michael's during lockdown.	£550
<p><i>* ReNew Chelmsford Advancing Anglican Evangelical Ministries for the Salvation of England. Supporting ReNew churches and minsters in our region as an act of gospel partnership during the pandemic and economic downturn.</i></p>		
Grand Total		£17,250

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FROM THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

TIM CHESTER



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10ofThose are offering to partner with churches across the country by sending a copy of 'Fixated' a new Advent devotional by Tim Chester to every person or household in the church for only £3.50 (including delivery). They will be sent directly to your home. The book is designed to be used from the 1st December with 24 daily meditations focusing on Jesus in the first chapters of Hebrews. Francis recommends it! In view of the delays in the postage system at present and to ensure that you get your copy for the start of December, if you are interested, please telephone or email, Linda Stenner at the church office by **Wednesday, 18th November** and your details will be passed on. The church will be invoiced at a later date when we will inform you that payment is due.

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“God is light and in him is no darkness at all” 1 John 1:5b