



Sunday 8 July 2018

A very warm welcome to today's worship at St Aidan's and St George's as we continue in the sermon series: 'DISCIPLESHIP EXPLORED', based on the book of Philippians. As we explore Paul's extraordinary letter there will be an opportunity to discover what Paul meant when he said: "For me, to live is Christ and to die is gain."
Today the focus is on what it means to be TRANSFORMED IN CHRIST.

As a church family in South Barrow we seek to know more about Jesus and to make Him better known. For more details about Sunday and Mid-week activities pick up the NEW SUMMER 2018 PROGRAMME CARD available at the back of church today or visit our Team Website:
www.sbtchurches.co.uk

6th Sunday after Trinity
Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Please pray for...
+ Daphne as she returns to Taiwan this week. Give thanks to God for her and the way He has blessed us through her during the past year.
+ those who are unwell & for those who care for them; for the lonely, anxious or bereaved - seek God's grace, strength and peace for them, remembering especially the family & friends of Eric Graham, Jessie White and Pamela Shaw, as well as all who continue to mourn the loss of a loved one.
+ NHS following the 70th anniversary of its founding last week. Give thanks for all those who work in hospitals, clinics and surgeries, praying especially for Furness General Hospital.
+ the RAF on its 100th anniversary; give thanks for those men and women who serve in our Armed Forces, both now and in the past.
+ those around you; thank God for them and ask Him to bless them.

BIBLE READINGS
Philippians 3: 12-4:1
Luke 19: 1-10

HYMNS/SONGS:
St Aidan's
MP 143 Fight the good fight
MP 59 Blessed Assurance
MP 443 Lord of the cross
MP428 Lord for the years
St George's
To be announced

*The next Newsletter will be issued on 15 July - items should be sent to either Judy, (829710) or email: judecowsill@hotmail.co.uk or Alison (alisonotto15@gmail.com) by **Wednesday 11 July. Thank you!***

New Intern?
Following Daphne's Internship here in South Barrow we have been invited to receive a new Intern for 2018/19. At this stage we are looking for accommodation for a term or five months (weekly expenses to the host would be provided). The new Intern is likely to be a female from Norway. For more information please chat to Robin.
Thank you!

Sunday 8 July
***9.30 am** All-Age Worship at St Aidan's with Alison Otto
Preacher: Canon Gary Cregeen
***10.30 am** Holy Communion at St George's with Revd Robin Ham
11.15 am Baptisms at St Aidan's with Canon Gary Cregeen
***4.00 pm** Grace Church at Yarlside Academy with Revd Robin Ham

Sunday 15 July
***10.30 am** Team Communion at St Aidan's with Canon Gary Cregeen
***4.00 pm** Grace Church at Yarlside Academy with Revd Robin Ham

Sunday 22 July
***9.30 am** Holy Communion at St Aidan's with Revd Robin Ham
***10.30 am** Holy Communion at St George's with Canon Gary Cregeen
Preacher: Revd Robin Ham
***4.00 pm** Grace Church at Yarlside Academy with Revd Robin Ham
**Refreshments served after these services - all welcome to remain for a chat over coffee!*

Farewell Daphne!
Thank you & God Bless!
This week Daphne returns home to Taiwan having spent 10 months with us in Barrow as an NMS Intern. It has been a real joy to have Daphne join the Church Family here in South Barrow, and especially her input into Grace Church. Her love for Jesus is evident in her willing service, her genuine concern for others and her lovely character and sense of fun. Do come along to Grace Church this afternoon as we bid 'farewell' to Daphne; there is a 'bring & share tea and everyone is most welcome!

CHURCH FAMILY DIARY...

Monday 9th: 3.30 pm St Aidan's PCC in the Café Area

Tuesday 10th: *Robin on Curacy Training in Penrith*

9.15 am Barrow Mission Community Prayer Meeting at St Mary's, Walney

3.30 pm St George's School Governor's meeting (Jean, Ruth & Gary)

8 pm Women's Fellowship Group at The Rectory, 98 Roose Road (Julie)

8 pm Grace Group at 33 Holebeck Road (Robin & Zoe)

Wednesday 11th: *Robin on Curacy Training in Ulverston*

12.45 pm Funeral of the late Pamela Shaw at St George's Church (Gary)

Thursday 12th: 10.30 am Assembly at St George's School (Open The Book)

2 pm SHAPE Group in The Pennington Room, at St George's

ODD JOBS MORNING AT ST GEORGE'S

on Tuesday 17 July (anytime between 9.30 am and 12 noon)

- could you spare an hour or two to help in tidying the church grounds, doing a spot of cleaning, minor maintenance or polishing up the brasses?

All help appreciated.

Refreshments provided!

ST. GEORGE'S 'FIT FOR PURPOSE' GIFT DAY - SUNDAY 5 AUGUST 2018

The plans to finally install new heating at St George's are gaining momentum! For some years now it has been recognised that the current heating system is not 'fit for purpose' - from an energy perspective it is inefficient and costly; while on a practical level the existing amount of heaters are inadequate for the size of the building. For example, there are only six heaters in the whole of the main church building and there is currently no heating at all in either the toilets or the vestry. Inevitably, these 'cold spots' bring down the overall temperature in the building which put added pressure on the existing boilers, which are themselves becoming increasingly unreliable and are running on a limited capacity. As well as these practical reasons for installing a new heating system there are pastoral reasons too. As a church family we want to ensure that our church buildings are a resource for mission and worship, not a restriction. We want our buildings to be welcoming & accessible to all - on a practical level a church which is physically warm in winter is more welcoming than one that is cold, especially to those who are elderly or who have limited movement - thus, there are pastoral implications. In essence, the proposed works are required in order to fulfil the practical, pastoral and missional aspirations identified by the Parochial Church Council and the wider church family (in our Mission Action Plan, updated in 2017) to ensure that the local church should be an 'open door' providing access and welcome to all into God's kingdom. Throughout the South Barrow Team we want to ensure that everyone who enters our buildings receive a warm welcome, whether worshippers or hall hirers/users and that our buildings are 'fit for the purpose' of resourcing the church's mission and ministry, not restricting it.

Currently, we are in the final stages of the planning process (getting permission from the Diocese to do the proposed work) and a 'tender document' (which includes details of the work to be carried out) has been sent to potential heating contractors. Once the planning process is complete, and funds permitting, it is hoped work could commence as soon as the end of August and be completed by the end of October 2018 - in time for winter! This is an ambitious and significant project, as well as a necessary one. However, in order for this to happen there is likely to be a significant amount of money that we need to raise to cover the cost. At this stage we have around £60K towards the cost; a quotation last year estimated the overall cost to be £80K (excl. VAT). In addition, we have needed various technical support and advice, which has enabled us to get to this stage (heating reports, tender documents, asbestos reports etc.); these services inevitably cost money.

By the end of July we will know the actual cost to 'make this happen' and so a **ST GEORGE'S 'FIT FOR PURPOSE' GIFT DAY is planned for Sunday 5 August 2018**. The purpose of the GIFT DAY will be to highlight the amount needed to cover the cost of installing a new heating system and to invite each of us, along with those who wish to support God's work through St George's, to prayerfully consider what we could donate ourselves. This is vital in order to share in the joy and 'ownership' of this exciting project, but also to demonstrate our thanks to God, our commitment to His vision and our trust in Him. More information will be available shortly. In the meantime, please look at the proposed heating plans currently displayed in the church hall and if you have any queries please do not hesitate to chat to Ted Fenton or myself. Also, please give careful thought about how you can share in this opportunity to imitate God's generosity and to 'invest' in His plans for St George's and the community we're called to serve!

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