

SATURDAY 19th SEPTEMBER

• **Acorn Prayer Breakfast** at Acorn House, Stanford Square off Warwick Street, 8 - 9am. Breakfast provided. Their latest Prayer Letter is available at the back of the Church.

• **Friends of Sussex Hospices Hymnathon.** 30 hours of non-stop hymn singing at Lancing College Chapel starting at 9.30am.

• **Annual Thanksgiving Service** for Koinonia Christian Care Home, West Worthing Evangelical Church, Rugby Road, West Worthing. 2.30pm

BLOOD DONING

Wednesday 23rd September
2 - 4.30pm & 5.30 - 8pm
Charmandean Centre Forest Road

Call 0300 123 23 23 to book an appointment or just walk in.

For more information, including alternative dates and venues, visit www.blood.co.uk or call the above number.

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9.3am - 12.30pm.

Articles for PEWS NEWS should reach the office by Noon on Thursday

<i>What's On</i>	
Sunday 6th September	
8.00am	Holy Communion
10.30am	Family Service
Monday 7th	
Tuesday 8th	
7.45pm	Goring Home Group
Wednesday 9th	
10.30am	East End Home Group
Thursday 10th	
9.15am	Toddlers
Friday 11th	
5.30pm	Rainbows
7.00pm	Guides
7.30pm	Music Group
Saturday 12th	
1.00pm	Wedding: Matthew Brunton and Maria Cranfield
Sunday 13th	
8.00am	Holy Communion
9.15am	Breakfast
10.30am	Holy Communion Young Followers

Safeguarding Representatives:

Children: Margaret Calver
Adults: Morag Hardinge
DBS Checks: Hilary Ferries



SUNDAY 6th SEPTEMBER 2015

Trinity 14

8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Family Service
Young Followers

PEWS NEWS

Please take PEWS NEWS home with you and use as a Prayer and Information Guide throughout the coming week



Something for the whole family!

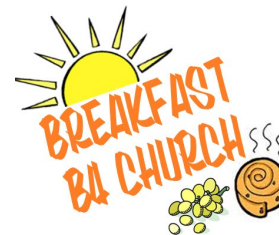
Tuesday 15th September

3.30 - 5.30pm

**Crafts * Games * Bible Story * Songs
And a meal for all!**

YOU CAN HAVE YOUR CAKE AND EAT IT...but...

Our thanks go as usual to Pat Cook for making our beautiful monthly Birthday Cake. Please leave a financial donation in the basket when you collect your slice so that we can continue having cake in the future.



Next Sunday 13th September from 9.15am
in the Church Hall.

On the menu this month your choice from
Sausage, Scrambled Egg & Mushrooms.
Please sign up at the back of the church and mark
your choices.

Donations received for Messy Church

PRAYER NEEDS

Members and friends of the fellowship in need of our prayers this week: **Matthew Brunton** and **Maria Cranfield** who are marrying at St George's next Saturday; **Joy Russell**.

If you would like to be put on to our prayer list, or if a family member or friend is in need of prayer, please contact the office or the Vicar.

Please feel free to join us every Sunday morning at 9.45am in the Vicar's Vestry for a time of prayer before the morning service.



ORGANIST'S NOTES

The Voluntary after the service this morning will be the Fantasia in C which is anonymous in the source but has been attributed to Jan Sweelinck (1562-1621) who was organist of the Oude Kerk in Amsterdam and a leading teacher of north German organists. It opens with a short homophonic section in four voices, which leads into a section exploiting echo effects in the right hand, the short phrases being repeated an octave lower.



Home Groups

Our regular weekly or fortnightly informal Bible Study Groups will be starting again very soon.

- The **Monday Nomads** will resume on **Monday 14th September** at 10.30am
- The next **Tuesday evening Goring Group** will be on **15th September** at 48 Aldsworth Avenue at 7.45pm.
- The **East End Group** continue to meet at 30 Ophir Road from 10.30am on **Wednesday mornings**
- Details of the **Vicarage Wednesday morning and evening groups** are to follow.

If you would like to join one of the Home Groups please have a word with one of the Greeters, a Warden or a Leader for more information.

MEN'S MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT

Join us in the Servedy area in the Church on **Thursday 24th September** at 7pm to explore ideas and opportunities for engaging with more men in our community. Contact Mike Tyler for more details.



PAINT JOB

A huge thanks to Lucy & Vicky Leggatt for giving the lower half of the internal church walls a fresh coat of paint over the summer.



GREETINGS CARDS

A new selection of handmade greetings cards is available to buy at the back of the church. Thanks to Jean Smith and others for these. Suggested minimum donation of £1.20 per card will go towards St George's supported initiatives.

THE ATHEIST

An atheist was taking a walk through the woods.

"What majestic trees! What powerful rivers! What beautiful animals!" he said to himself.

As he continued walking alongside the river he heard a disturbance in the bushes. Turning to look, he saw a 7-foot grizzly bear charging towards him. He ran as fast as he could up the path. Looking over his shoulder he saw that the bear was closing on him. His heart was pumping frantically and he tried to run even faster. He tripped and fell. He rolled over to pick himself up but saw the bear raising his paw to take a swipe at him.

At that instant the atheist cried out: "Oh my God!..."

Time stopped. The bear froze. The forest fell silent.

It was then that a bright light shone upon the man and a voice came from the sky saying: 'You deny my existence for all these years, telling others that I don't exist and even credited creation to a cosmic accident. Do you expect me to help you out of this predicament? Am I to count you as a believer?'

The atheist looked directly into the light, "It would be hypocritical of me to suddenly ask you to treat me as a Christian now, but perhaps you could make the BEAR a Christian?"

"Very well," said the voice.



The light went out, and the sounds of the forest returned.

And then the bear lowered his paw, bowed his head and spoke,

"Lord, bless this food which I am about to receive and for which I am truly thankful. Amen."

SUSSEX GOSPEL PARTNERSHIP

Saturday Morning Bible Training Course. Running once a month starting **Saturday 19th September** at St Margaret's Church Angmering. Details available on our web site on the Pews News page.

Seminar - Monday 28th September - Preaching Systematic Theology. All Saints Lindfield, from 9.30am. More details from Brian Penfold.

Sussex Ministry Training Course - Christ Church Haywards Heath - A two year course on Tuesday evenings. Details on our website on the Pews News page.

Annual Conference - Saturday 10th October - Kings Centre, Burgess Hill, 10am - 4pm. Details at the back of the church.

For more details on anything to do with the Sussex Gospel Partnership please have a word with Brian Penfold.