

**A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.**

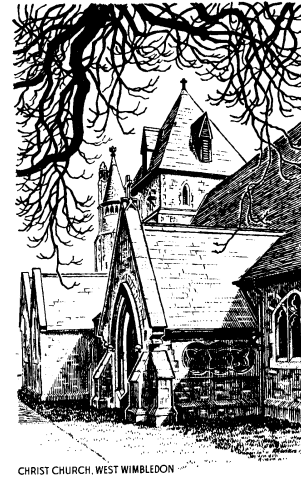
I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows – was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, ‘My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.’ So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

*2 Corinthians 12.2-10*

**Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.**

Jesus came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, ‘Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?’ And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, ‘Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.’ And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, ‘Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.’ So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

*Mark 6.1-13*



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**SUNDAY 4 JULY 2021**

**Fifth Sunday after Trinity**



**Collect**

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.**

**Post Communion**

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,  
that the course of this world  
may be so peaceably ordered  
by your governance,  
that your Church may joyfully serve you  
in all godly quietness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**SUNDAY 4 JULY 2021**

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

*led by Archdeacon of Lambeth  
whom we warmly welcome*

**READINGS**

2 Corinthians 12.2-10; Mark 6.1-13

**Green Prayer**

Creator God  
For our world of beauty and plenty,  
we praise you-  
For the earth, the seas, the plants,  
the animals and all the wonders  
of the universe.  
We stand before you in awe and wonder  
in all that you have created.  
Thank you for your generosity,  
a world for all to share.  
Create in us a desire to come together  
as One World for Now is the Time to Act.  
**Amen.**

**EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING**

10am-12 noon Church open  
for quiet prayer - all welcome

**SUNDAY 4 JULY 2021**

6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

**READINGS**

Jeremiah 20.1-11; Romans 14.1-17

Psalms 64

## FOR OUR PRAYERS

**Those who are ill or in need:** Michael Green;  
Jenny Smith;

**Those who have died:** Judith Sanson;

**Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:** Peter Mortley (2013); Ruby Myllys (2004);  
Jenny Dancaster (2009);

**Link Parish** of St Francis of Assisi, Barham  
Green, Zimbabwe

### THIS WEEK

**Wednesday 7 July—10 till 12 Church open**

**Thursday 8 July—8pm Merton Deanery Synod  
Meeting on Zoom**

**Friday 9 July— 7.30pm KFH Meeting  
in Holland Gardens**

**SUNDAY 11 JULY 2021**

**TRINITY 6**

**8am Holy Communion (BCP)**

**10am Parish Eucharist**

**6.30pm Said Evening Prayer (BCP)**

**JUDITH SANSON** died peacefully on Sunday 13 June at her home in Letchworth. The funeral will take place on **14 July at 11am** in Hertfordshire and will be live streamed – please contact Sara in the parish office (ccparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk) for the Service details. We give thanks for Judith's life and pray for Stewart and his family at this sad time.

**THE LIFTING OF RESTRICTIONS** has been delayed a month as you all know! Please continue to wear face coverings and to social distance when in church. Try and move outside for conversations with others. There is currently a cap of 6 singers permitted in an amateur choir and we are grateful to Tom and the choir for their singing during Communion. Roll on July 19!

**ZOOMING THE 10AM SERVICE:** thanks to the work of those who operate zoom, we will continue to broadcast our 10am service, finishing on Sunday July 25.

**ONLINE GIVING:** There is a web link which has now been inserted onto the website and where you can make payments. The link connects you to the SumUp giving system which is the same as the contactless collection method in church. For donations over £3,000 please use a bank transfer as indicated below. There is a retained commission of 2% on donations via SumUp. We have also been given a QR code below:



**FINANCES AT CHRIST CHURCH** Thank you to those of you who contribute financially to the life of Christ Church. If you wish to contribute via your bank, the details of our CAF bank account, in the name of **The PCC of Christ Church, West Wimbledon**, are **Sort code: 40-52-40** and **Account number: 00029176**. Please can you put your name in the reference. Cheques can also be made payable to **The PCC of Christ Church West Wimbledon and sent to Christ Church West Wimbledon, 2. Cottenham Park Road, West Wimbledon, London SW20 0RZ**. Please **note** you must put in the full name of the account if you are setting up an online payment with your bank: **The PCC of Christ Church West Wimbledon**

**CHURCHES COUNT ON NATURE:** Thank you to all the Junior Church and Stepping Up Church children, parents and leaders who helped with this national survey of species in church grounds and burial grounds. We had fun counting plants, insects and birds and submitted 51 species to the website. We also measured some of the trees in the gardens to estimate height and age. The horse chestnut tree is about 160 years old (as old as the church!) The Sycamore trees are 27 and 40 years old and 17 and 26 metres tall respectively. Well done everyone! Michael adds: Many thanks to Lucy (with Ian's assistance) for organising such a great event.

**SCAM EMAIL** – If you ever receive an email purporting to come from the Vicar, asking for your help, for example, it is a scam. Please do not reply. Typically it will say it is from the Reverend Michael Burns, but if you look carefully you will see it is not, in fact, from his email address (ccww.vicar@....)

**GARDEN WASTE**—Kings' boys have been working in the church grounds during their activity week. It was lovely to have them back after 18 months. If anyone has a slot booked at the tip and has a space in their car for a couple of bags of weeds we would be so grateful. Thank you.

### FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

**JOHN BARRETT**—there will be a Memorial Service for John to be held at Christ Church on **MONDAY 2 AUGUST 2021 at 11.30am**, followed by a cup of tea and biscuit/cake in the Hall. If you intend to be present, please can you sign the list on the table at the back of the Church so that the family know how many orders of service to print and how much tea to make!

There will be a retiring collection to support the work of the Wimbledon Branch of the National Trust which John helped to found. All will be welcome.

**DEDICATION OF THE NEW CHURCH GARDEN** will take place at the end of the 10am service on **SUNDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2021** followed by refreshments served outside.

**CREATIONTIDE DISPLAY 2021 - Local and UK nature & landscapes: What has God's Creation meant to you in a year of lockdowns?** Once again, we will celebrate Creationtide at Christ Church with a display of pictures, photographs, paintings and objects from church members. Please start collecting, photographing and creating now for this year's display. Contributions for the display will be collected at church from July and by Sunday 29 August at the latest. If it's difficult for you to print photos, you can email them to Lucy Christie direct or via the parish office.

**CHANGING OUR PLANET:** Christian & Local Action. **6-8pm SATURDAY 9 OCTOBER 2021:** A speaker evening in the run up to COP26 with Q&A session organised by the Eco Church Group at Christ Church. We're planning for an in-person event but it will be virtual or a combination event if there are restrictions. Please see the flyer for more details.