

## **Matt Redman – Big Church Live!**

Join Matt Redman & band for a live Worship Night at Kingsgate Conference Centre in partnership with Big Church Live on Thursday November 16th, from 7.30pm. With support from the amazing Lucy Grimble & band this evening is sure to be an unforgettable night of Worship, working together with Tearfund. To book, please visit: <http://bigchurchlive.com/events/matt-redman/peterborough-november-16-2017>

## **Zozulenka 2017 Tour**

Experience the culture and excitement of Ukraine through the singing and dancing of this brand new group from the School of Arts. As part of their UK tour they are performing at Park Road Baptist Church on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October from 7pm. For more details visit [www.hopenow.org.uk](http://www.hopenow.org.uk).

## **Christmas Support for People in Prison**

If you have been in Peterborough for a few years you will know that it has become something of a tradition for local churches and people of good will to provide chocolates for those who will be in prison over the Christmas season. Michael Page (Chaplain, Justice Services, HMP Peterborough) is asking for churches to donate dinner plate sized tubs of sweets and chocolates, which need to be delivered around the 11/12 December so Michael has time to repack all the confectionary into individual bags for the inmates. For more information, please email [michael.page@sodexojusticeservices.com](mailto:michael.page@sodexojusticeservices.com)

## **Rohingya Collection**

In response to the terrible crisis affecting the Rohingya people, we are going to have a retiring collection which will go to the Christian Aid emergency appeal after the service on the 22nd October 2017. The funds will be used to provide food, water, medical supplies and shelter. More information can be found on [www.christianaid.org.uk/emergencies/rohingya-crisis-appeal](http://www.christianaid.org.uk/emergencies/rohingya-crisis-appeal).

Please forward any notices to me, Dave Kelly, by end of next Wednesday to: [davidbear@talktalk.net](mailto:davidbear@talktalk.net)

*Then Samson pushed with all his might, and down came the temple on the rulers and all the people in it. Thus he killed many more when he died than when he lived.*

- **Judges 16: 30** -

*Then Elijah commanded them, "Seize the prophets of Baal. Don't let anyone get away!" They seized them and Elijah had them come down to the Kishon Valley and slaughtered there.*

- **1 Kings 18: 40** -

### **Prayer Activity:**

These two relatively random Biblical verses remind us that extremist terrorism is nothing new. Reflect on these and consider whether they say anything about some of the recent acts of terrorism that have hit our news headlines.

## **Welcome to Westgate New Church**

**Sunday October 15<sup>th</sup> 2017**

**Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Revd Doug Stevens**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

Welcome to this place,

**House of prayer for many nations**

**Home to all who come.**

Welcome to this gathering place,

**Friend and stranger, saint and sinner  
in all who gather here**

Come with hope or hesitation

**Come with joy or yearning;**

all who hunger, all who thirst

for life in all its fullness.

**Generous God and generous Saviour,  
touch us through your Spirit.**

**Hymn 28:** Jesus calls us here to meet him

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:  
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,  
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city  
where we shall see you face to face;

through Jesus Christ your son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit  
one God now and for ever. Amen.

We gather in God's name;  
**We claim Christ's promised presence.**

My brothers and sisters  
not out of dread or fear,  
but believing that God is faithful to forgive,  
let us rid ourselves of all that we need carry no longer

*Silence*

Gracious God  
you call us to fullness of life;  
deliver us from sin and unbelief,  
and banish our anxieties  
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**  
May the Peace of Christ be with us all,  
**Alive in us, and shared with all we meet.**

**Let us offer one another a sign of Peace.**

**A time of Sharing**

**Hymn :** Bind us together, Lord

**Exploring Scripture:** Isaiah 25.1-9;  
Psalm 23 (StF 481);  
Matthew 22.1-14

**A time of reflection**

**Hymn 680:** Come host of heaven's high dwelling place

**A time for Others**

It is in this mystery of communion with Christ  
that we pray for the Church throughout the world,

praying in particular today for growth in our lives as disciples,  
learners and doers of the word.

We pray for the people and communities of faith  
with whom we share a hope in Jesus, the risen Christ,  
especially all those who use these premises.

We pray for the sick, bereaved, oppressed and homeless,  
especially those whose illness or circumstance is a constant gnawing  
pain.

We pray for the broken and torn fabric of the earth, as it yearns for  
healing and care.

Because you are with us, O Christ,  
enable us to share your life with the world,  
by sharing our own lives with the world.  
And so we pray, in the words you have taught us,  
**Our Father.....**

**Offertory**

We celebrate the life that Jesus has shared among his community  
through the centuries  
and shares with us now.  
Made one in Christ and one with each other,  
we offer these gifts and with them ourselves,  
a single holy living sacrifice. **Amen.**

**Hymn 689:** Summoned by the God who made us

**Holy Communion**

Come to this table,  
you who have much faith  
and you who would like to have more;  
you who have been here often  
and you who have not been for a long time;  
you who have tried to follow Jesus  
and you who fear you failed;

Come,  
It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God  
**it is right to give Him thanks and Praise.**

We offer you praise, dear God,  
and hearts lifted high,

for in the communion of your love

Christ comes close to us and we come close to Christ.

Therefore with the whole realm of nature round us,

with earth and sea and sky we sing to you.

With the angels of light who envelop us,

with Michael and the host of heaven,

with all the saints who stand beside you

with Guthlac, Pega and Etheldreda,

with brothers and sisters east and west we sing to you.

**Holy Holy Holy Lord,  
God of power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest!**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

Blessed is our brother Jesus

who walks with us the road of our world's suffering

and who is known to us in the breaking of bread.

In the night of his arrest, Jesus took bread

and having blessed it,

he broke the bread,

and gave it to his disciples, saying,

This is my body given to you.

In the same way he took wine

and having given thanks for it he poured it out

and gave the cup to his disciples saying,

This cup is the new relationship with God, sealed with my blood.

Take this and share it.

I shall drink wine with you next in the coming kingdom of God.

Hear us O God, and breathe your spirit upon us, and upon this bread and wine.

May they become for us your body vibrant with your life,  
healing, renewing, and making us whole.

As the bread and wine which now we eat and drink are changed into us,  
may we be changed again into you,

bone of your bone, flesh of your flesh, loving and caring in the world.

For yours is the glory, honour, and power, now and for ever. **Amen**

Look the Body of Christ is broken for the life of the world.

Here is Christ coming to us in bread and in wine.

**The gifts of God for the people of God. Alleluia!**

Final Prayer

**Lead us now O God,**

**to acknowledge your costly generosity**

**by living as forgiven people until earth and heaven rejoice  
and the whole earth cries Glory! through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Hymn 598:** Shout for joy!

The blessing of the Trinity,

**the Blessing of God**

who is in this place and every place,

**the blessing of Jesus**

who is among us, often unrecognised,

**the blessing of the Holy Spirit**

encouraging us to welcome and to feel at home

**be with us all. Alleluia! Amen!**

As we have shared this place and time, may our life in the community  
reflect the dance of the Trinity by which the world is blessed. **Amen.**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR TEA OR COFFEE AFTER THE SERVICE

**Prayer Focus**

We pray for Tonia and Bill Weavers; Kitty Spurr, Ron Watson; Megan and Keith Bedford; the family and friends of John Robinson; Liz Haward; Venice and her family; and Edith Coole; also Terry and Carl, brother-in-law and nephew of Sarah Kelly.

## Notices for the coming week

- Sun 15<sup>th</sup> 18.30 Methodist Circuit Healing Service, at Southside
- Tues 17<sup>th</sup> 10.30 Pause for Prayer, in Walsingham  
1.00pm Tuesdays 'til Two, at St Johns
- Weds 18<sup>th</sup> 10.30 Circuit Intercessions, in Lindisfarne
- Sat 21<sup>st</sup> 10.15 – 11.45 Coffee morning, in Lindisfarne  
12.30 – 2.30 Food Bank, in Walsingham
- Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> 10.30 Morning Worship, led by Mr Des Kellard

## Notices

### Tuesdays 'til Two

Pianist Richard Allum will be entertaining us with pieces from Bach and Dvorak, Mozart and Grieg in a programme contrasting classical elegance and romantic lyricism. The concert is from 1.00pm to 1.45.

### Service of Remembering

You are warmly invited to attend this service where, with friends and families, we shall be remembering loved ones who have passed away, mentioning their names, celebrating their lives. This is to be held at Brookside Methodist Church on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October from 6.30pm. If you have any questions about the service, or would like the name of someone special to you to be included, please speak with Maureen Newcombe on 01733 326160 or Liz Storey on 01733 222412. Our own service of remembering is the Blue Christmas Service to be held on 3rd December.

### Ailsworth Quiet Morning

Join Revd Linda Elliott to share space and time to be with God on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> at Ailsworth Methodist Chapel. Refreshments from 10.00am for a 10.30 start, the morning aims to conclude between 12.30 and 1.00pm. Please bring a packed lunch.

### A Monk's Tale

Fast paced sketches and songs about Purgatory, Popes and St Peter; the printing press and a diet of worms, celebrating the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of

Martin Luther and 95 theses. Suitable for all ages and faiths! On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October starting 7.30pm at Emmanuel Church, Twelvetree Avenue. Tickets £7.50 (concessions £5.00), booking info on 01733 576541.

### Small Pilgrim Places

The Peterborough Quaker's Meeting House and garden are part of the Small Pilgrim Places Network. Details of the Network can be found at: <http://www.smallpilgrimplaces.org/>. The annual meeting of the Network will be held in the Quaker Meeting House, on Saturday 21 October. For more information contact Alison or Michael Langford on 01733 262137 or email [contact.peterboroughquakers@gmail.com](mailto:contact.peterboroughquakers@gmail.com).

### Christmas Alive 2017

Christmas is nearly here and on Saturday December 9th, between 11:30 - 1:30 pm the Churches Together in Central Peterborough will be in Cathedral Square encouraging the public to celebrate the real meaning of Christmas. CTiCP will be Carol singing, giving out balloons, Christmas tracts & invitation flyers to the public. One Way Puppets will be back again. Last year many people stopped to hear the Christmas message given through the puppets and also stopped to take balloons and chocolates. There is a great opportunity to chat to people about the real meaning of Christmas, to witness and personally invite people to join us for our Christmas celebrations. If you're free on this day, why not come and join us!

### Westgate New Church Anniversary Service

You are cordially invited to a special service to mark the first anniversary of our move into Westgate New Church. We will be enjoying a bring and share lunch together after the service. This service will be on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am.

### Church Garden – Volunteers Required!

The Church garden is going to be renovated by the Groundwork team during November, all day on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Whilst they are using this as a training opportunity for some, they would be happy to have any volunteers from the Church to join them in creating a tidy and easy to manage garden for us. If you would like to volunteer, please let Sarah know and she will pass on the details.