Welcome² St Alphege, Seasalter at Seasalter Christian Centre

Service attended Please tick:

St Alphege, Seasalter

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08.45

10.10 11.00

11.15

Your name(s)

Children's names and dates of birth

Address

Postcode

Telephone

Email

Today's date

Tear from this leaflet and pass to a member of the Welcome Team Thank you Name of Welcomer:

What's on during the week ...

At the Old Church on the 1st Sunday of the month at 11.15 am (BCP Holy Communion). Morning Prayer - at the Old Church, Tuesdays and Fridays at 9.15 am.

Holy Communion - Wednesdays at 9.15 am at the Old Church.

Team Evening Prayer - none in August.

Open Door Thursdays from 10.00 am to 11.30 am at SCC.

Prayers Sunday 7 - 8 am (followed by toast and coffee); Wednesday 7 - 8 am Prayerpoint on Fridays - join us for intercessory prayer, 6 pm - 7pm at SCC. When prayer is at the heart we see God moving. All welcome, please come ... Silent Prayer of the Heart on Fridays at 8 pm for 30 minutes.

Next week's services: 0845 Holy Communion, 1030 Sunday Special Readings: Colossians 3: 1-11; Luke 12:13-21

[Please take these notices home with you to read at your leisure]

St Alphege, Seasalter ~ making disciples of Christ, growing the church of God

Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter Sunday 28 July 2019 **Trinity 6** 'Give us each day our daily bread' Today's readings: Colossians 2:6-15; Luke 11: 1-13



Abbot House

Grateful thanks to Vanessa for stepping back in as interim nursery manger, and supporting the staff in the weeks leading up to the end of term and the transfer to the new provider. Thanks also must go to Phil. A particular thank you to Gail, David, Helen and Denise for the crucial work undertaken leading up to and after the transfer, and to Andrew, Jane, Keith, Becky, Geoff, Rosalind, Ali, Tom and any others involved in one way or another over these past very challenging months. Little Oaks Nursery will open in September with a number of the staff returning to roles there. Please pray for the new management, for the staff, parents and children for a good break and a great start to the new term.

Music

Grateful thanks also to Matt Kinsella as he steps down from leading worship after several years of service to our church family in this role. Thank you Matt for sharing your gifts and your musicianship, for giving your time and for your dedication and your encouragement of others in the band.

Church Council meeting

At the recent Church Council meeting the members spent time discussing our thriving Youth Ministry with the Youth Minister, Georgina Hedley-Smith. There are about 40 youngsters involved and it's really encouraging to see the way they are being helped to develop and express their faith. A couple of week-long events during the summer will reinforce that process.

The financial situation is still worrying but we are awaiting the results of the recent stewardship campaign before seeing what else needs to be done. Following a discussion with the Archdeacon and the Diocesan Secretary we asked for a grant from the Diocese to support our Youth Ministry. Unfortunately our request was declined but we are looking for other ways to access suitable grant money.

Work on the Old Church project continues and the outbuilding has now been fitted out and decorated by a couple of volunteers from the church family.

And last, but by no means least, the Council spent time thinking about the Vision for the church for the next few years. There's more work to do but the three parts – Alongside God; Alongside each other and Alongside our community - remain the bedrock of the Vision. Watch this space.

Thank you for your prayers for the Council as it strives to meet the various challenges facing the church as we seek to discern, and then act on, God's will for St Alphege, Seasalter.

Our Values

All involved Bearing witness Creating community Deepening discipleship Encountering God Finding friendship: fun and food Giving generously

Everyone playing their part Telling the Christian story Loving and belonging Following Jesus, becoming like him Experiencing his presence Laughing and sharing Giving with gladness

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Church family Sea Baptisms

There will be a church family sea baptism taking place on the afternoon of 29 September for Russell Wyles, and Ashley Clark will also be taking the plunge to re-affirming his baptismal vows.

If anyone else is interested in being baptised (for

pretty big sea, so we're sure there will be plenty of room!

the first time) in this way or re-affirming their

own vows that were made at their original

baptism, then please talk to Paulette - it's a

Prayer at the Heart

Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks



Beryl (Clarke) following treatment on 26 July. Mandel & his partner Carol who has had an exploratory operation for an internal growth and she may need an operation to remove it in a London Hospital. Bev and Pete Gilmour, following Bev's diagnosis of breast cancer. Rose, Rosalind's mother, who has broken her collar bone. Joan Moss, following her operation for skin cancer on 25 July. Sarah Brockman and her family, following the death of her father Ian. Dorothy Vener. Tess. During August we will be praying for those living in Portlight Place and Royal Native Way..

Long term needs - up to 3 months

Dennis Spinner, please pray for him to get strong and stay free from illness. Lise Jennings, for relief from pain. Niamh, age 17 with a rare teenage sarcoma (Niamh is the niece of Carolyn who is a friend of Rosalind) and her family.

Prayer Needs

Please contact: Joan Moss 275522 or j.moss370@btinternet; Carol Judge 277752; or David and Lynda Kemp 272470



TIME TO SIGN UP Saturday 14 September 2019

RIDE & STRIDE



Get sponsorship to cycle or walk round some Kent churches; half returned to St Alphege Seasalter and half to Friends of Kent Churches. Do as many or few churches as you like and collect the sponsorship money.

OR volunteer to welcome visitors to the Old Church for an hour, or more, slot between 10am-6pm on the day.

Sponsor forms from Ann Shuttle (8.45) or Ann Price (11am)

Sign up to welcome people with Ann Shuttle (8.45) or Ann Price (11am) Need more info - email annprice@sky.com (or use church directory for numbers)

You can raise money online by using http://virginmoneygiving.com/ and choosing "Friends of Kent Churches". SCC can still get half the money back as the administration tracks it.

Craft Afternoon

Esspressions are running an afternoon of pottery painting for 'Third Agers' on Wednesday 31 July 2-4pm in the Centre. Numbers are limited to 15 on a first come first served basis. There is a sign up sheet in church for those wishing to take part.

NEW FOR OLD!

We are pleased to tell you that we have received approval for the purchase of new upholstered chairs for the Old Church.

The cost per chair is £200 + VAT - £240.00 If you offered to cover the cost of a chair or would like to, please contact Lynda Kemp - 07890 767711 or kemps11@btinternet.com

Help needed

We need to redecorate the interior of Abbot House at the end of term (end of this month).

If there is anyone who would be able to help us with this in any way, could you please see Andrew or Alison, so we can make all the necessary arrangements. Thank you for your support.





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road access via Kimberley Grove and Roberts Road

Sunday Specials - Changes to the services over the Summer

From 28 July until 1 September (inclusive) the Sunday services will be adjusted for the holiday period.

The 8.45 service will be the same as usual each week, however there will be no Lighthouse or 11.00 service. Instead there will be a **10.30 Sunday Special** service.

This will be set up cafe-style with refreshments from the start. All ages can attend and although there won't be children's groups, there will be themed activities during the service. We will aim to have something good for everyone as we worship, pray and talk, and of course it will be a lovely opportunity for those who go to the 8.45 and the later service to spend a bit of time together between the services.



Men's steak night Tuesday 30 July at the Peter Cushing (Wetherspoon's) in town starting at 1930 hrs



Church Family Directory

Suzi and Andy Thomas have now moved from Whitstable to Herne Bay Their new address is: 18 Bentley Avenue, Herne Bay, CT6 8EA Tel. 01227 368 090

Please amend your records accordingly.

Mentoring for CCSWT

(Canterbury Christian Schools' Work Trust)

The next mentoring training course is open for applications. Training won't begin until September but with the summer holidays looming, applications are invited now.

Louise says: 'Our wellbeing mentors have been doing amazing work in our local secondary schools and we are continually being asked if we have any more! With 1 in 10 young people experiencing a mental health difficulty and 70% of them not receiving early help - we believe that through our programme the church can be part of the solution.'

Please contact Louise at louise@ccswt.org.uk if you are interested.



Churches Together in Whitstable Sacred Space

Taize and other music with intermittent periods of silence Church in near darkness so please bring a torch You are welcome to arrive late or leave early

Monday 29 July From 8pm to 9pm All Saints' Whitstable

I Am Who I Am Finding *identity in God*



Led by Rev Lorraine Apps-Huggins

Chaplain to The Living Well and Diocesan Advisor in Healing and Wholeness

Saturday 14th September 10 am - 4 pm

Seasalter Christian Centre, Faversham Road Seasalter, CT5 4AX

Entry and lunch provided by donation. For more information & to book please contact Diana High on 01227 262495



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