



Hailsham

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News



**“KNOWING JESUS—
MAKING JESUS KNOWN”**

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TREASURE!

It's a great question and Jesus asks it.

Where is your treasure? And before you're tempted to say, but I don't have any, try this.



What in life do you count as really important? What do you dream about, or more precisely day-dream about? What do you most hope for, long for in the future? Well according to Jesus, that's your treasure and it will capture your heart and ultimately rule your life.

Now what's really interesting is that Jesus assumes that we are all treasure seekers, investors, building up a treasure for ourselves. Nothing wrong with that, that's what Jesus expects, that's how we're wired. The question is rather whether we've invested in the right place, whether our investments are secure, whether they yield real and lasting returns, because according to Jesus our problem is we're always being distracted to invest in the wrong place. We assume that this life is all there is and what we can possess and secure and enjoy here and now is what counts.

The trouble is whether our treasure turns out to be the perfect job we're determined to get – like someone we know dreaming while still at school of being Prime Minister – or the dream house or the next promotion. Whether our treasure is wealth or achievement pleasure, or family, whether our passion is sport or computers Jesus warns us – all such treasure is subject to moth, rust and theft, fashion, inflation and ultimately death.



Ironically a few days after preaching on these words of Jesus, thieves did break in and steal – removing all our metal garden furniture from under our bedroom window while we were asleep. Ok it wasn't that significant and we were insured but the lesson's there—no matter what our treasure it's vulnerable!

It's a bit like growing up in a family, with all the privileges and joys of that family. Only one of the children decides they'd rather spend their time at their friends house down the road. They start to eat there, to sleep over, to go on holiday with their friend. They even start sounding like them, dressing like their friend. The things they used to like to do they no longer want to do, all they want to do is what their friend does. Johnny's dad lets me play with fireworks, Johnny's dad doesn't care when I go to bed or what I eat or what I do - in fact I so much prefer Johnny's family. It's tragic isn't it - when that happens - when a child from the family leaves home and to all intent joins another family but when that parent they left behind is our perfect, loving heavenly Father!

That's exactly what Jesus is warning us of being enticed away by another family, another treasure but a treasure that's bound to disappoint and in the end simply doesn't last. So there it is, why would you wander away from the family with everything but that's what we do when we invest in the wrong place.

A theft at the Vicarage reminds me how vulnerable, insecure are all our earthly treasure. Jesus says invest instead for eternity, in the Kingdom that lasts forever, in the family of your Heavenly Father.

Listen to what He says:

“Look at the birds of the air, they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?”

Indeed, as Christians we can be assured of the love and infinite care of our heavenly Father. So, there really is nothing to distract us from pursuing heavenly treasure, in fact, *seek first his kingdom and his righteousness and all these things (our daily bread) will be given to us as well.* (from Matthew 6)

Have a great summer, enjoy! And make it first things first!

David Bourne

HARVEST SONGS OF PRAISE

SERVICES IN LOCAL CARE HOMES

1. Bowes House	Wed 25th September	11.00 a.m.
2. Woodside Hall	Fri 27th September,	2.30 p.m.
3. Caroline House	Thu 3rd October	3.00 p.m.
4. Marshview	Mon 7th October	3.00 p.m.
5. Bentley Grange	Fri 11th October	3.00 p.m.
6. Quinnell House	Tues 15th October	3.00pm

Please contact Chris Taylor if you'd like to attend one or more of these services

BITE-IN IN THE CHURCHYARD

To celebrate Her Majesty's Jubilee, Bite-In had a churchyard lunch which went down very well (excuse the pun), so this year it was decided to have another 'ploughman's in the churchyard' event.

Regrettably, it was very quiet indeed with the exception of a lovely ladies' group which kept us busy for the final part. Having put a sizeable Ad in the church magazine together with what we hoped was believing prayer, we expected a different outcome but it was not to be so we must try again another time.

Bite-In continues therefore, week by week, and as always we extend a warm invitation to all. Please come and support this outreach in the name of Jesus. 9.30 – 12noon in the church lounge every Friday.

Thank you.

Bite-In Team





CHRISTIANITY|EXPLORED

WHAT'S THE BEST NEWS
YOU'VE EVER HEARD?

What is Christianity? It is all about one life, the life of Jesus.

And it can be summed up in the answers to three questions:

- Who is Jesus?
- Why did Jesus come?
- What does it mean for us?

If you have ever asked these questions or are curious to find out then the Christianity Explored course is a simple introduction to the Christian faith. It's accessible to all and will answer these questions and is also a great refresher for those who have been Christians a while.

Come with a friend or on your own, we won't embarrass you or assume anything. We promise a fun evening and to take your questions seriously.

When?

The course will run on Monday evenings in the Church Lounge
It starts at 7.45 pm with cake and hot drinks on the following dates:
23rd, 30th Sept, 1st, 7th, 14th, 21st Oct, 4th, 11th November

How can I find out more?

If you would like to know more please contact
Rory Graham, Associate Minister
Email: rorygraham@hailshamchurch.org



OPEN CHURCH

FROM SUMMER TO AUTUMN TO WINTER!



The church building is open once again during the week to visitors during the summer. **From 12—2pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays** a team of volunteers are welcoming visitors in. Some are holidaymakers, or people visiting from other parts of East Sussex and many live in Hailsham and have not visited the church building before.

The church building is also open every **Friday as Bite In (Cafe for the community)** This is open **from 9.30—12** in the Church Lounge each week.

Each of these activities, run by volunteers, are always looking for more people to be on the team. Why not pop in to Open Church or Bite In when you are in town to find out more and

also be an encouragement to the volunteers who are serving on that day.

On Saturday 19 October Hailsham will hold its annual **bonfire night** and the church building will be open so that we can welcome people in to a warm building to enjoy hot drinks /cakes and games during the hour between the parades. This has proved to be very popular and many of our families from ABCs and Pulse come along so it's great to continue building relationships with them. We would love to have a team of volunteers to help with set up and be available on the evening to welcome and serve refreshments. Do speak to Lyn for more info.

Can I mention Christmas?!

The church building will be open for two different events in the town centre organised by the Town Council

Friday 29 November early evening (exact time tba) as part of the town.

Christmas light switch on. This event brings lots of people into the town and we are privileged to be placed in the heart of Hailsham so we can welcome the community in. We offer hot chocolate/marshmallows and seasonal refreshments. It needs a team of people to make this happen from serving refreshments to welcoming people in and we have had over 100 people come through the doors in previous years and we are able to give them invitations to our Christmas Services.

Saturday 14 December Hailsham will have its **Christmas Market** which is always very popular and Wealden Brass will be performing their Christmas concert once again that afternoon in the church building. In the morning

we would love to have a team available from 10.30 - 12 noon to welcome people and offer hot drinks. Perhaps a housegroup could think about organising this and it's a great time too of spending time together building encouraging relationships as you serve alongside each other... maybe even combine this with your Christmas social event? ..

Denise Sinden

Children's Sunday Programme September 2019



Series Aims

- To teach that God controls the events of human history and is able to make the future known.
- To teach that despite circumstances, God is always with his people to bless them.
- To understand that God rules over sinful human behaviour to achieve his great plan for the world.
- To understand that God's plans bring forgiveness and restored relationships.

Series Overview

Although Genesis 37-50 deals primarily with the life of Joseph, it is obvious that they are about more than just an individual. They are, in fact, about a people that God is calling to himself. This is seen clearly in Genesis 50:20 where we are told that despite the wicked behaviour of Joseph's brothers, God has accomplished a great thing - the saving of a group of people (many lives) rather than just Joseph. This is a fulfilment, at least in part, of the promises originally made to Abraham in Genesis 12:1-3

Memory Verse

Genesis 50:20 – You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.

8/9 – Chosen but Rejected Genesis 37:1-36

15/9 – Rejected but Blessed Genesis 39:1-23

22/9 – Puzzling but Plain Genesis 40:1-41:57

29/9 – Together but Apart Genesis 42:1-44:34

13/10 – Rejected but Reconciled Genesis 45:1-47:12

ABCs TEDDY BEARS PICNIC – 20TH JUNE

PARACHUTE GAMES, SINGING, FUN STORY AND A TEDDY BEAR HUNT!



Lots of children, parents and teddies came to join us at our annual Teddy Bears Picnic. We had a lovely morning—the sun shone, the children ran around happily and had fun climbing and playing in the swing. Lyn brought along her parachute for some games, then Michelle led everyone in a very interactive rendition of “We’re going on a bear hunt” – then, most

importantly, we all sat together to eat our picnics. During the morning the children also had a chance to go on a real bear hunt – some



pictures of teddies were lost near the picnic area, when the children found one, they could exchange it for a yummy teddy bear treat!



HOME GROUPS

Well what a term we have had in Home Groups. Revelation has proved to be challenging and encouraging. We have seen more of the glory of Jesus and been encouraged to keep going even in the face of sin and Satan. Our eyes have been lifted to heavenly realities and we have prayed for Christians who are feeling the heat of persecution more than we are. All this and we are only half way through the book. Next term we will be finishing it off.

Please do keep praying that we might be those who act upon the things written in the book and so we'd be blessed. (Rev 1:3)

This term Home Groups will be places where we encourage each other to live our lives in the light of the message of Revelation.

Home Groups meet fortnightly during school term times and are an excellent way to be encouraged as a Christian. There are groups which meet during the day as well as in the evenings. If you are interested in finding out more information do be in contact with Rory Graham on rorygraham@hailshamchurch.org or 01323 442410 (Church office)



The Ride and Stride sponsored event returns on the 14th September to raise funds for The Sussex Historic Churches Trust which in turn makes grants towards the repair of active churches and chapels over a hundred years old. If you would like to take part in this worthwhile event or are interested in the work of the Trust please contact Ron Timms or visit Sussex Historic Churches web site where you will find full details.

As usual we would like to keep the Church open around other events taking place that day including The Mayor's concert. Although the number of Ride and Striders visiting Hailsham tends to be limited, in the past all day opening has resulted in a number of other visitors and some useful conversations and contacts., If you are able to help, a sign up sheet will be available shortly.

Ron Timms

THE BOAT TRIP (YOUTH ZONE OUTING)



On Sunday 6th of June, in very favourable weather conditions for a summer outing, a number of Youth Zone members met at Sovereign Harbour Marina to board the *East Sussex 1*. The boat is a small former naval vessel owned by the Maritime Volunteer Service that may have been involved in the Falklands War, but due to the loss of records this cannot be conclusively proven.

The “skipper” in charge of the boat was Neill Hunter, a regular member of the HPC congregation. After a quick safety briefing, we were off and passed under a lifting bridge to reach the lock, whose water levels lowered to let us out into the sea in a westerly direction.

During the course of the journey, the crew generously allowed us to have a go at steering the boat, which is not as simple as it sounds! It's very different to the steering in a car, for example. In order to keep a straight course, the wheel must be constantly readjusted. Some of us were better than others (the less said about Owain's piloting skills the better!) but we managed to avoid crashing into anything, although we had a very near miss with a skiff on the way back!



At the westernmost extremities of the trip, we practised some “Man Overboard” drills (which fortunately we did not need to put into practice). The “man” was a floating flagpole nicknamed “Terry” by Owain. Once Terry had gone overboard, we had to point to him and shout: “Man Overboard!” to alert the skipper so that he could be rescued by a member of the crew. We did this several times and at one point it took four attempts to rescue him. Jos reckons that Terry should be more careful in future!

After about four hours at sea, we returned to the harbour. Though it was a shame that the trip was over, there's nothing like being back on dry land and Jacob seemed very keen to catch up on the tennis, so nobody was too disappointed. However, nobody can deny that this was an experience to remember for Youth Zone's members and we look forward to being invited aboard the *East Sussex 1* again next year!

Samuel Canning
Youth Zone attendee

Youth Zone enjoyed a barbecue at Holywell



YOUTH BAND

As a special post-exam, end-of-term opportunity, on Sunday 21st July our church youth band led all of the music for our 10.30 a.m. communion service. This was a significant step for the band, who tend to work on one or two songs at a time when they get together every other Tuesday evening.

The occasion also marked the 'graduation' of two Year 13s, Lydia and Naomi, who were founder members of the band back



in 2014, soon after they began in Year 9. We're thankful for their involvement in Youth Band over the past few years and hope their next steps will include some music-making -- and, far more importantly, be defined by living for Jesus, their Lord and Saviour.



Youth Band also enjoyed a meal out at Bebble's Langos, the Hungarian restaurant on George Street, on Tuesday 23rd July. As it was such a lovely evening we sat out in their garden!



The Church Weekend Away is always a great opportunity for the whole church family to get away and relax, get to know each other more, to have some fun and most of all to worship and learn more of our wonderful God. This was our 4th year of holding our weekend away and it was great to see so many of the church family gathering together.

Approximately 100 of our Church family enjoyed a weekend away to Coldharbour Meadows (just 10 minutes away for most of us!). Based in beautiful surroundings, the weekend included worship, teaching, time for fun and relaxation, fantastic food, and lots of time together as a church family seeking God.

Friday – campers (around 60 adults and children) arrived in the afternoon and set up their tents, whilst the catering team were busy preparing a delicious meal (we could smell the onions frying whilst we pitched our tents!).

Saturday – after an extremely long, cold night, breakfast was served and then 'day-visitors' arrived in time for the first of four teaching sessions. We were blessed to have John Brook (Associate Vicar of Holy



Trinity, Eastbourne) leading us in four teaching sessions, all based on the book of Colossians. We started off by considering the work and pre-eminence of Jesus Christ and finished with "Walking together with Christ".

We are very thankful that Meg Brook and a team from Holy Trinity also took charge



of our children's programme, where they looked at just some of the reasons that Jesus is Great – which all of the children enjoyed.

During the day there was plenty of time for tea & cake, a ploughman's lunch, games (still-walking, table tennis, cricket etc) walks or sitting and sunbathing. The children had

great fun getting wet on the slip and slide, and many adults (as well as some children) enjoyed a glass workshop with Jazz! In the evening we had a BBQ and then finished off the day with singing songs around a roaring campfire, followed by hot chocolate and toasted marshmallows.



Sunday – a slightly warmer night (and rather more sleep!), then breakfast before the campers began to pack up... we all returned to HPC for the morning service before returning to the campsite for a 'bring and share' lunch (around 100 people). There was time to relax, play games and enjoy the sun... and the weekend finished with a final teaching session and in



fellowship around the Lord's table.

Many thanks to everyone that was involved with helping make it such a fantastic weekend.



WEST END RE-ORDERING PROJECT

The contractors have been making good progress since the report in the May magazine. The first task, once the concrete of the floor was sufficiently cured, was to do the “setting out”. This was not simple as the tower floor is a parallelogram shape (some 6 inches out of “square”) and some of the walls are not very upright. However after a lot of work with laser-levels, and consultations with the Architect, the final measurements were given to the steel fabricator. Once delivered to the church, the steelwork was bolted together rather like a very large custom-made Meccano set.



With the steel in place, the team of carpenters were able to build the new mezzanine floor. As part of the work we

have taken the opportunity to make a provision for future removal of the bells by constructing “structural openings” in both the new mezzanine floor and the original bell ringing chamber floor above. These could be opened up in the future to allow the bells to be lowered from the belfry, but for now they are boarded over so nothing will be visible and there will be no risk of anyone falling through!

With the floor built, the specialist stair and balustrade contractors have been able to take their final measurements, and can now begin to fabricate these items, while on site the next task will be to start work on the heating and electrical systems.

Ken Thomas

HPC Premises Manager

TWO DATES WITH ED DREW



Ed Drew was a Children's Worker at Dundonald Church, London and is now Director of Faith in Kids. Faith in Kids supports churches and parents so that children can engage with Jesus and respond to him.

We are very pleased to welcome Ed to HPC on two occasions in September.

On **Tuesday 10th September** from 7.30-9.30pm he will be leading a training session for all those who work with and teach the bible to children and young people.

On **Sunday 22nd September** Ed will be joining us at HPC and speaking during the 10.30 morning service. All families with young children and young people are invited to stay for lunch. After lunch, Ed will then speak to parents whilst children are entertained elsewhere in the building! Ed is a lovely, humble and engaging speaker. Do come along to hear what he has to say.

SERMON SERIES

SUNDAYS @ 10.30AM

Kingdom Life ...in a Broken Land (Matthew 5-7)

What does it look like to live as followers of Jesus in 21st century? How does He expect us to engage with the world around us? What kind of priorities should determine our daily choices?

Well, to find those answers we'll looking at how Jesus answered those very questions for his first disciples in what's come to be known as the Sermon on the Mount and it is radical to say the least!

SUNDAYS @ 6.30PM

Letters from Heaven (Revelation 2 and 3)

In conjunction with our housegroup series which paints the broad picture of the Book of Revelation this series looks closely at Jesus word to his church, to the seven churches. Direct, clear, convicting and not surprisingly given the One who speaks absolutely bang up to date and relevant to you and me.

**Don't forget you can always listen to our sermons on the website:
www.hailshamchurch.org**

SUNDAYS @ HPC:

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

- 4 August** 8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am All Age Service with crèche
(*Samson: miraculously born saviour – Judges 13*)
6.30 pm Evening Prayer
(*To the church in Smyrna – Revelation 2: 8-11*)
- 11 August** 8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Holy Communion with crèche and children's groups. (*Humble: 20/20 Vision – Matthew 7: 1-11*)
6.30 pm Evening Prayer
(*to the church in Pergamum – Revelation 2: 12-17*)
- 18 August** 8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am All Age service with crèche
(*Samson: the dying saviour – Judges 16*)
6.30 pm Holy Communion
(*to the church in Thyatira – Revelation 2: 18-29*)
- 25 August** 8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Morning Service with crèche and children's groups
(*Radical Choices – Matthew 7:12-23*)
2.45 pm Evening Prayer @ Emmanuel
5.00 pm Holiday Club Commissioning and Prayer service
- 1 September**
8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am All Age Service with crèche
(*Holiday Club*)
6.30 Evening Prayer
(*to the church in Sardis – Revelation 3: 1-6*)
- 8 September**
8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Holy Communion with crèche and children's groups
(*Sure Foundations – Matthew 7: 24-29*)
2.45 pm Holy Communion@ Emmanuel
6.30 pm Evening Prayer
(*to the church in Philadelphia – Revelation 3: 7-13*)

15 September

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Morning Service with crèche and children's groups
(*Battle of Britain Sunday*)
6.30 pm Evening Prayer
(*to the church in Laodicea – Revelation 3:14-22*)

22 September

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Morning Service with crèche and children's groups
(Speaker: Ed Drew, Faith in Kids – Church Across the Generations)
2.45 pm Evening Prayer @ Emmanuel
6.30 pm Holy Communion
(*Receiving God's Grace – Luke 17:11-19*)

29 September

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Morning Service with crèche and children's groups
(*The Last Word – Hebrews 1:1-4*)
6.30 pm Evening Prayer
(*...to the church in Ephesus – Revelation 2: 1-7*)



6 October **HARVEST FESTIVAL**

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.30 am All Age Service with crèche
Bring and share lunch
6.30 pm Harvest Praise



All 10.30 services (Morning Service & Communion) have a crèche and children's groups and All Age services have a crèche for those who wish to use it.

LIFE AT UMSN

CHRIS AND ROS HOWLES , JOSH, DANNY AND CHLOE

Greetings, as ever, to you all at Hailsham. Ros and I, with our kids Josh (9), Danny (7) and Chloe (5) (doesn't time fly!) are still ministering here at **Uganda Martyrs Seminary Namugongo (UMSN)** here on the outskirts of Kampala. Many of you will be aware that UMSN is a Bible college, training Ugandan men and women (and some from Kenya, South Sudan, and Sudan) for Christian ministry in the Anglican Church of Uganda.

As we approach the end of the semester in August we reflect with thanks and gratitude to God on an eventful few months. We always want to keep the main thing as the main thing, and so we continue to ask for your prayers for the teaching and ministry here at UMSN. Ros has been continuing with her weekly Bible studies from Romans with female students. The students at large have been enjoying studying the Book of Daniel this semester in their weekly Bible studies (I, Chris, meet with 10 or so student leaders each week, and they go out and study that passage with their fellow students). I've also been teaching courses on Epistles (focussing on 2 Timothy and 1 Peter), youth and children's ministry (a key part of church life here, with 75% of Ugandans being aged 25 or under), and New Testament exegesis (thinking how to faithfully and carefully understand and preach the Scriptures). Please keep on praying for these amazing opportunities we have each day to work with our students to understand the Scriptures and apply them to life and ministry in Uganda.

Sadly, one of our students (John Moses Aetu, who had just completed his studies in May) was killed in a motorbike accident less than a month later. Please continue to pray for his widow, 4 children, and about 15-20 orphans who he had taken in and was trying to support through school. Life will be hard for them without him.

Normally we only visit the UK once every 3 years (actually, we are due back next year in 2020 – more details to follow!), but Ros and the children returned last month for a 2 week visit after her Mum was diagnosed with an illness. The Grandparents were delighted to see the grandkids again after a couple of years



14th wedding anniversary today! We had a little bit of cake with Teddy (who works with us in the house) and the kids. What a lady Ros is. Couldn't be prouder to be her husband. Outstanding.



Woodland Kingfisher. It hit a college window so we rescued it. It's recovered now and flown off. What a beautiful bird

The Sunday school ministry we're involved with at church is continuing to grow. Some weeks we now have up to 450 1-12 year olds. We still need more keen and committed teachers to help out – please pray for some who have shown interest to commit to this daunting but wonderful task!

We've had 3 small car accidents in the past 3 months – all of them people hitting us with no fault of our own. Last week it was an army vehicle that was trying to overtake whilst the rest of us were sitting in a traffic jam and ended up hitting me! We're more and more aware of how many untrained drivers, drunk drivers, tired drivers and busted vehicles there are on the roads of Kampala these days. Small accidents are part of life here and don't particularly bother us (although dealing with the money, repairs etc. is an annoyance!), but please pray for protection against anything more.

We continue to pray for you all at HPC. Thank you for the partnership we enjoy together. We're grateful for your prayers and support, and looking forward very much to seeing you during 2020.

Blessings,

Chris and Ros
(and Josh, Dan, and Chloe)
Uganda Martyrs Seminary Namugongo,
Kampala, Uganda.

away as you can imagine, and Ros (a doctor) was able to help out here and there medically. Please do keep on praying for Ros' family.



Ros is currently teaching electronics to Josh.



Our lovely neighbour Christine has just sold a load of chickens. This is how they get transported, all of them alive of course.

POOR TED

"Mummy, look!" Penny's gaze was fixed on the charity shop window. In a small basket right at the front sat 2 dolls and a teddy bear. Nothing unusual about that you would think but this one was different.

Not the 2 dolls, they were just dolls; blue eyes, curly hair, pretty dresses. No, the different one was the bear; scruffy, one ear, one eye, no fur on his tummy and worse, a tuft of stuffing sticking out. In fact you could truly say that this was one very unloved teddy. Rose sighed. 'Not another one' she thought. "Please Mummy" and Rose wondered if she had any teddy eyes left in her sewing box but her daughter's habit of rescuing scruffy bears was not going to go away so she said 'all right then' and followed a happy little girl into the shop.



Scruffy Ted was available for a very measly 50p so Rose paid up and an ecstatic Penny took the bear and they left the shop. When they arrived home Penny went straight to fetch mummy's sewing box but her face fell when mother said "Patience young lady, I

have to cook tea first." 'Oh dear,' thought Penny, 'why were there so many boring jobs to do so that the interesting ones had to wait' Then Penny realised that she was very hungry so waiting was ok really and she wandered off to sort out her teddy collection until she was called to lay the table which was one of her boring jobs. Mummy agreed to sort out Teddy after Penny had gone to bed and she knew by this time (now she was 6), that there was little point arguing so off she went to bed. In the morning she rushed downstairs in her p j's and there was the bear all mended and ready to put in her – getting well again – collection. Mummy said that the collection was getting too big for their small house and some of them would have to go. Penny was appalled. How could she choose? They had all been rescued and mended so she had better put her mind to finding some space.

The next day Rose was looking through a newspaper when she said "Look at this Penny". There in the paper was a picture of an empty toy box and a headline which said **CAN YOU HELP FILL THIS?**

"Suppose," said Mummy carefully, "that you put half





the teddies into this and keep half for yourself." Mummy read the article to Penny and they found that the teddies were to be sent to a Romanian orphanage. Having explained what an orphanage was, Rose was rather pleased to hear her shocked daughter say "No Mummy or Daddy, how awful. Yes Mummy we will do as you say, then there will be room to start collecting again." Penny wondered why her Mummy laughed out loud.

The End

Love from Grandma Dot.



PAUL AND VALERIE'S WEDDING

Paul and I would like to thank all members of Hailsham Parish Church, who attended our wedding on June 22nd, and made it such a memorable day.

Many thanks also to Margery, Phil, and their band of helpers, for the catering, and the lovely cakes.

We received 126 cards, thank you very much.

Paul and Valerie Honney



CURRY AND CREATION EVENING **TUESDAY 25TH JUNE**

It was great to see a good number of men from HPC getting together to enjoy a meal, fellowship and opening the Bible up to look at God's design for man. Thanks to all those who helped in the kitchen to prepare the various curries, a wide selection and none of them were too hot to handle!

After the meal we split into three groups and looked at Genesis and Corinthians and how men and women were created to complement each other and the role that men have, to take the initiative and the responsibility and provoked us to think through the relationships we have, as a friend, husband, father, colleague, etc.



We have found these sessions very encouraging, learning from the Bible and from each other, looking at what it means to be a man of God.

David Gooding



Women2Women

*reaching out & building up; encouraging
Christian women to share their faith.*



PIMMS AND PUDDING EVENING, 4TH JULY



A good number of ladies met together for a summer evening in the Vicarage garden on 4th July. We were blessed with good weather and a wonderful array of puddings (some more American themed than others!). It was an opportunity to invite friends along and meet new people, and a lovely relaxed environment to chat and get to know one another over Pimms (or non-alcoholic alternatives).

Joan spoke about how God has been at work in her life, through the good times, and the very hard times. It was a great encouragement to hear about how faithful God is, even when we are tempted to drift away from Him. We were so thankful for Joan's honesty and humility, as she shared her story of how God brought her to follow Jesus, her saviour, and what he



has meant in her life. It was very moving and encouraging to hear about how her relationship with Jesus has brought her through the darkest moments in her life. Praise God that he cares for his people!



YET NOT I, BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME

Here's a song that develops the theme of all that we, as Christians, have in Christ. It does so along the lines of the apostle Paul, who writes: 'I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me...' (Gal. 2:20, KJV); and, 'But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of [Christ's apostles] – yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me.' (1 Cor. 15:10, NIV); and, 'I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.' (Phil. 3:14, NIV). In the words of this song about Jesus, 'all the glory evermore to him!'.

You can view the lyrics, listen to or buy the music by visiting the following web page: <http://www.cityalight.com/yes-not-i-but-through-christ-in-me/>

Chris Taylor

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer;

there is no more for heaven now to give:
he is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,
my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus
for my life is wholly bound to his.
Oh, how strange and divine – I can sing, 'all is mine!' –
yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
for by my side the saviour – he will stay:
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
for in my need his power is displayed.
To this I hold: my shepherd will defend me;
through the deepest valley he will lead.
Oh, the night has been won, and I shall overcome! –
yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread: I know I am forgiven,
the future sure, the price – it has been paid:
for Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,
and he was raised to overthrow the grave!
To this I hold: my sin has been defeated;
Jesus now and ever is my plea.
Oh, the chains are released – I can sing, 'I am free!' –
yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
for he has said that he will bring me home,
and day by day I know he will renew me
until I stand with joy before the throne!
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus;
all the glory evermore to him!
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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BITE-IN

(TWO POSITIONS NEED FILLING – MALE OR FEMALE)

In view of the imminent retirement of a long standing staff member, the Bite In Team are in urgent need of someone able to offer to undertake a full shift (8.30 to 12.30) on a regular basis to include some limited administrative assistance.

Also, further help would be useful to either set up and/or clear away to enable this worthwhile service to continue.

Please contact Elizabeth Munday or Ron Timms for further details.
(via the church office - 442410 or office@hailshamchurch.org)

CHURCH PRAYER MEETINGS

Tuesdays at 9.15 am

2 September

Wednesdays at 7.45 pm in the Lounge

18 September

Wednesdays at 12 noon in the Lounge,

21 August,

25 September



100 YEARS AGO

From the Hailsham Parish Magazines of August/September 1919

AUGUST 1919

My dear Friends

July 6th, Peace Sunday, was a day to be remembered. The Union Jack hung from the Chancel Arch and floated from the Tower. At 8 a.m. a large number communicated; at 11 a huge congregation filled the Church and joined heartily in the Service. School children assembled at 3 and there was a good congregation at 6.30pm.

"I was not disobedient to the Heavenly Vision" was the message from the pulpit. May we not be disobedient to ours of the last four years! A large augmented choir sang the Hallelujah Chorus.

July 13th was the day for the Comrades of the Great War to march to the Church from the Pleasure Ground with their new Banner which was dedicated under the Chancel Arch and handed to Col. Owen, C.I.E., C.M.G. a great many were unable to get into the Church. The singing

was splendid and the enthusiasm was felt. £9 12s. 8d was collected and sent to St Dunstan's Home—the Comrades' Offertory in their Parish Church. Afterwards they marched with the Band around the town.

July 19th. Peace Day Bank Holiday.

The Hooter at the Factory opened the day at 5am. Bombs startled those still asleep at 6 and the Church Bells rang out merrily at 7am. At 10 a Service was held in the Market Square by two thousand people (at a guess). Those conducting it stood on a platform erected by Mr Burtenshaw, J. P., outside his house where we stood on the Victoria Jubilee; a huge procession marched round the town, and games, teas and amusements filled up the afternoon. There seemed to be any number of workers everywhere.

The Peace Celebration Dinner to Service Men will take place Saturday August 30th at Messrs. Green's Hangar Sheds.

Comrades of the Great War Hailsham Branch. On Wednesday August 13th, a Flag Day for the Comrades of the Great War. On August 11th, and during the week, a House-to-House Collection.

SEPTEMBER 1919

Dear Friends

Our old friend, Mr Ward, promises to pay us a visit in October and will preach here October 5th, in the morning.

The offertory that day will be for the fund of the Memorial Church Window. We shall begin now to collect for that, and hope later to set to work. If the names are inscribed on the Memorial Column which the Peace Memorial Committee are going to erect, we shall not place them in the Church as well. We shall certainly require at least £400 to do anything suitable; at present the fund stands at £26.

Such a Bank Holiday-tide I suppose we cannot remember. The sun, the beauty, the happy faces and voices, the freedom from anxiety and care after five years, the masses of people everywhere. Hotels crammed, houses crammed, even the beach crammed. Now let us set to work and produce. St Paul said nearly two thousand years ago, "*Except a man work, neither shall he eat*" as a rule for Christians. Mr Hoover says today that unless everyone produces more there will be a terrible state of famine before us later on.

The Hailsham Electric Theatre has been engaged by the Church Army Commissioner for this Diocese on Thursday Sept 11th, from 3 to 4.30, admission free. Collection at the door for Church Army recreation and social work. 4,000 feet of cinema film; battle fronts and at home, featuring France, Flanders, Salonica, Palestine, etc, explained by Rev. A H Dolphin, late of Dorset Regiment and also ex- Chaplain to the Forces.

PEOPLE FOR PRAYER

Vivienne Allan
Evelyn Baldwin
Maureen Barber
Rena Barrow
Roy Bland
John Brown
Mabel Burton
Daphne Elphick

Dora Green
Virna Hunnisett
Ron Keeley
Pat Pettitt
John Read
Diane Seeby
Michael Tanner
Val Thompson

Ann and Tim Welch want to say a big thank you for all the prayers for daughter Juliet in USA who has come through major surgery for cancer and is making an amazing recovery .

PARTNERS IN MISSION

Chris and Ros Howles	<i>Crosslinks, Uganda</i>
Julian & Nicky Milson	<i>Crosslinks, Spain</i>
Meg & Dave Northcote:	<i>WEC International</i>
Asha & Sangster	<i>Bangalore</i>
The Crosslink Trust	



THE RECORDS

MARRIAGE

22 June Paul Honney and Valerie Bulgin

Congratulations!

FUNERALS

3 July Leonard Barker
10 July Henry Lett

*We extend our prayers and
sympathy to their families*

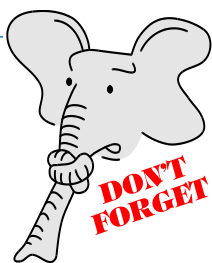
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October/November
mag is Wednesday**

18 September

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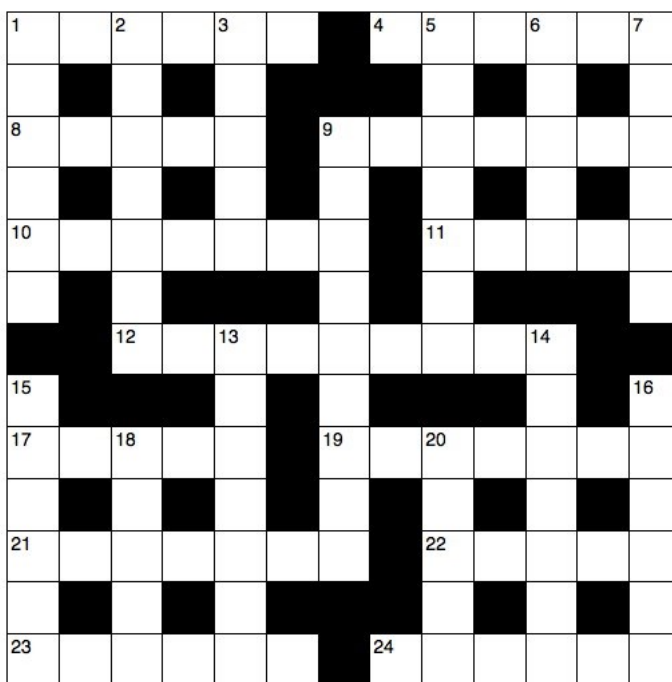
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Or see Rosie in church



THE CROSSWORD

(answers next time)



ACROSS

1 'The people were — at his teaching' (Mark 1:22)

(6)

4 'He saved —; let him save himself' (Luke 23:35)

(6)

8 He addressed the crowd in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:14) (5)

9 Father of James and John (Matthew 4:21) (7)

10 One who charges another with an offence (Job 31:35) (7)

11 '— thy ministers with righteousness' (Book of Common Prayer) (5)

12 and 15 Down 'All — is God-breathed and is — for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness' (2 Timothy 3:16) (9,6)

17 'No — of the field had yet appeared on the earth and no plant of the field had yet sprung up' (Genesis 2:5) (5)

19 Made to feel embarrassed (Isaiah 24:23) (7)

21 This man built his house on sand (Matthew 7:26) (7)

22 David's hypocritical message to Joab on the death in battle of Uriah: 'Don't let this — you' (2 Samuel 11:25) (5)

23 Detest (Job 10:1) (6)

24 'God made two great lights, the greater light to govern the day and the — light to govern the night' (Genesis 1:16) (6)

DOWN

1 To make a serious request (1 Corinthians 1:10) (6)

2 Launches an assault against (Genesis 32:8) (7)

3 'The wicked man — deceptive wages' (Proverbs 11:18) (5)

5 Tuba ale (anag.) (7)

6 'The day thou gavest, Lord, is — ' (5)

7 Old Testament measure of weight, equivalent to about 12 grammes (Exodus 30:13) (6)

9 Where Elijah restored life to the son of a widow with whom he lodged (1 Kings 17:10) (9)

13 Paul said of whatever was to his profit, 'I consider them — , that I may gain Christ and be found in him' (Philippians 3:8) (7)

14 City visited by Paul, described by the city clerk as 'the guardian of the temple of the great Artemis' (Acts 19:35) (7)

15 See 12 Across

16 Rioted (anag.) (6)

18 She had a surprise when she answered the door and found 8 Across outside (Acts 12:13) (5)

20 Maltreat (1 Chronicles 10:4) (5)

JUNE/JULY SOLUTION

ACROSS: 8, Grandchildren. 9, Pro.

10, marvelled. 11, Strut. 13, Startle. 16, Babysit.

19, Orate. 22, Eucharist. 24, Map.

25, Commissioners.

DOWN: 1, Egypt's. 2, Favour. 3, Edomites.

4, Thorns. 5, Blue. 6, Armlet. 7, On edge. 12, Tea.

14, Adoption. 15, Lot. 16, Breach. 17, Become.

18, This So. 20, Armies. 21, Expose. 23, Avid.

SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB 2019

Starship Discovery

Tuesday 27th – Friday 30th August
9.45 – 12.30 am

A colorful poster for the Starship Discovery Holiday Club. It features a cartoon astronaut in a white suit and red boots floating in space. A red and white rocket is flying towards the top left. A large yellow sun with the text 'STARSHIP DISCOVERY HOLIDAY CLUB' is in the top right. A £1 coin is shown with the text 'per child per day'. A satellite dish is in the bottom right. The background is blue with stars and a green planet at the bottom.

Registered Charity No. 1132922

**STARSHIP
DISCOVERY
HOLIDAY CLUB**

This summer we will be
firing up the rocket and
going on a voyage of
discovery

£1 per child
per day

**9.45am-12.30pm
Tues 27th-Fri 30th August**
Games, craft, bible teaching, songs, drama and more!

Family Picnic & Games Saturday 31st August 11 am-1 pm
All Age Holiday Club Special Sunday 1st September 10.30 am

For more information contact Lyn Gooding (442410) or
email us at holidayclub@hailshamchurch.org

**Hailsham
Parish Church**

Our action packed Holiday Club for Primary School children.

**4 sessions packed full of craft, games, Bible Stories, songs and The Watt
Family drama**

**Tuesday 27th – Friday 30th August 9.45 am – 12.30 pm
followed by**

Family picnic/ games (venue tbc) Saturday 31st August 11.00 am – 1.00 pm

All Age Service: Holiday Club Special Sunday 1st Sept 10.30 am