

❖ GOSPEL Mark 4. 26-34

²⁶ He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground,
²⁷and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. ²⁸The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

³⁰ He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? ³¹It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; ³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

³³ With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; ³⁴he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Next Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Trinity 24th June 2018

8AM	HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)
10AM	PARISH COMMUNION(CW)
6.30PM	CELTIC MEDITATIVE PRAYER

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King Charles the Martyr Church, Tunbridge Wells



**King Charles the Martyr
Tunbridge Wells**

**Third Sunday of
Trinity 17th June
2018**

Welcome to King Charles the Martyr – especially if you are visiting. A melody edition of the hymn book is available – please ask a sidesman for a copy. We hope you will enjoy your time with us. Refreshments are served after the 10am Service in the Hall. Please join us if you can.

Today's Service

8AM HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

2 Corinthians 5. 6-10, Mark 4. 26-34

President: The Revd Laurence Powell

10AM PARISH COMMUNION(CW)

*1 Samuel 15.34-16.13, 2 Corinthians 5. 6-10,
Mark 4. 26-34*

Hymns: 649, 618, 493, 646

President: The Revd Laurence Powell

Deacon: The Revd Laurence Powell

Preacher: The Revd Laurence Powell

A creche is available in the Church Hall.

Please ask a sidesman for directions.

6.30PM CHORAL EVENSONG(BCP)

President: Mr Derek Greenwood

Jeremiah 7. 1-16, Romans 9. 14-26, Ps 39.

Collect for the Week

*Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our
hearts whereby we call you Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your
service,
that we and all creation may be brought to the
glorious liberty of the children of God;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.*



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This Week at King Charles

Mon 18th 1.30pm Craft & Sew in the Hall

Wed 20th 11.30am HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

Fri 22nd 1pm. Prayers in the Quiet Corner

Notices

1 Craft & Sew

Craft & Sew is at 1.30pm in the church hall on Monday 18th June - everyone welcome.

2 Woman's Social Group

The rescheduled Women's Social Group is meeting at 7:30pm on 21st June at Framptons. They've agreed to a fixed price menu of £25.

We will need to preorder our meals at least a week in advance, so please can you let me know if you'd like to come
joycrumly@hotmail.co.uk The menu hasn't been confirmed yet but I'll send it to people who are interested as soon as possible.

3 Village Show and Summer Fete-

7th July

*Please do take an entry form for the village show today and return to the box at the back of the church well before the end of June.

*We are now collecting contributions / donations for the fete stalls.

A list of the welcome items and details of when and where to bring them is available at the back of the church.

*Please do sign up to help at one of the sessions on the day of the fete – either 12-1.30pm or 1.30-3pm. Lots of volunteers are needed to man the 15 stalls. The list will be on the Church Watch table from today.

4 Service in the Vicarage Garden

For the Family Service on 1st July at **10.30am** in the Vicarage Garden please bring something to sit on and a bring and share picnic.

5 The July-October Rotas

Please check the July-Oct Rotas available at the back of the church to see if you have one.

5 Charity of the Month

Charity of the month is youth work at our twinned church in Haapsalu, Estonia. More details are in the parish magazine. We are delaying the retiring collection until the Garden Eucharist on Sunday 1st July when Bishop Tiit Salumäe and other Estonian friends will be with us but donations are welcome throughout the month.

Readings Today

❖ FIRST READING 1 Samuel 15.34-16.13,

³⁴ Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. ³⁵ Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king of Israel. ¹⁶ The Lord said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.' ² Samuel said, 'How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.' And the Lord said, 'Take a heifer with you, and say, "I have come to sacrifice to the Lord."' ³ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.' ⁴ Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, 'Do you come peaceably?' ⁵ He said, 'Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.' And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

⁶ When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord.' ⁷ But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.' ⁸ Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' ⁹ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' ¹⁰ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen any of these.' ¹¹ Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?' And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.' And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.' ¹² He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, 'Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.' ¹³ Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

❖ SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 5. 6-10,

⁶ So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Charity Collections for June

Haapsalu Youth Group

Gift aid envelopes at the back of the Church