



King Charles the Martyr
Tunbridge Wells

Eighth Sunday after Trinity 11th August 2019

Notices:

- 1. Joint Holy Communion Service**
On the 1st September at **10.30am** there will be a joint Holy Communion Service with St Marks in the Vicarage Garden. Please bring a lunch to share for after the service!
- 2. T@3**
T@3 will be held tomorrow Monday August 12th at 3pm in the Hall. Not only a delicious tea and cakes but a fascinating talk by John de Lucy. All are welcome.
- 3. Ladies Group**
The Ladies Group will meet on Thursday 15th August at Number 5 (formerly Gastronomica) in the Pantiles at 7-7:30pm. If you would like to join us for a good meal and lots of great fun please let Debbie or Linda know at debbie9tg@outlook.com or Londonlinda47@gmail.com
- 4. Coffee Rota**
The Coffee Rota after the 10am service, is still urgently looking for volunteers! If you can help please contact Sarah Allford on: 01892 514452 sarah.allford@btinternet.com or Lynette Hilton on: 07879881358 lynette.hilton@btinternet.com
- 5. Friday 1pm Prayers.**
Please note there will be no 1pm Prayers in the Church on Friday 16th August.
- 6. Coffee Rota**
We are delighted and grateful for a temporary offer from volunteers stepping in, so that refreshments can be available today after the 10am service and for next Sunday!

This Week:

Monday 12th August

T@3

Wednesday 14th August

11.30am - Holy Communion (BCP)

Thursday 15th August

7.30pm Ladies Group

Friday 16th August

No 1pm - Prayers in The Church

**There is no Charity Collection
in August**

Today's Services:

8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

President: The Revd Ian Harrison

10am: Parish Communion (CW)

President: The Revd Ian Harrison

Preacher: The Revd Ian Harrison

Hymns:

584 All my hope on God is founded

583 Rejoice, O land

595 Be thou my vision

475 Forth in the peace of Christ

Organist: M Bacon

6.30pm: Evening Prayer (BCP)

President: Mr Derek Greenwood

***Please join us in the Hall after the 10am
service for refreshments***

Next Week's Services:

Ninth Sunday after Trinity

8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

President: The Revd Laurence Powell

10am: Parish Communion (CW)

President: The Revd Laurence Powell

Preacher: The Revd Laurence Powell

6.30pm: Evening Prayer (BCP)

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The Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

First Reading: Isaiah 1. 1, 10-20

¹The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.¹⁰ Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! ¹¹ What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt-offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. ¹² When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; ¹³ bringing offerings is futile incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation—I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.¹⁴ Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. ¹⁵ When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood.¹⁶ Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, ¹⁷ learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow.¹⁸ Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.¹⁹ If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; ²⁰ but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; or the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Second Reading: Hebrews 11. 1-3, 8-16

¹¹Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, ‘as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.’¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Gospel Reading: Luke 12. 32-40

³² ‘Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.³⁵ ‘Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹ ‘But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.’