CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Pray group for S M M will be at Gills 3rd Wednesday of the month commencing at 7.30. Please join us if you can. S M M Needs you.if you need the address speak to Gill or Viv.

Gerry is still collecting used postage stamps.

Please sign Tea and coffee rota for 9.30, 11am and 4pm services, to enable us to have a short social time after each service.

Curious about faith? Come and try Alpha

The Alpha Course is running in March, The Garden Room, All Saints Church:



Wednesday Evenings, 7.30-9pm, starting 12th March Thursday Mornings, 10-11.30am, starting 13th March. Everyone welcome.

Tony Couch's funeral will take place on Tuesday 11th February @ 11am at S M M then after at the Oyster Catcher Climping. Prayers of comfort for Family and Friends.

Dates for Diary

This year's walk of witness will be on April 18th starting at St Mary's in Littlehampton at 11am ending with a service at LUC & Trinity Church.

Watch this space there will soon be a date announced for an evening of singalong Mamma Mia.

PRAYER LIST

Michael Weaver, Sue, John Raywood, Tina Ward, Brian McAvilley, Sarah's family, Richard and his Father. *Please email names for prayer list to Jonathan Black at the Wick Information Centre.*



9 February 2025

Welcome to St Mary Magdalene Church, Lyminster and to our church building which has been a place of worship for nearly 1,000 years. If you are visiting, or this is your first time here, please make yourself known to one of the welcomers.

We hope that you feel welcome and able to share in the good news of Jesus our risen Lord and Saviour. Please contact Lisa, priest in charge of St. Mary Magdalene and All Saints Wick, Churchwardens or welcomers if you'd like to, and please stay to get to know us better after the service. Rev'd Bill Meyer will lead the service today.

ALL ENQUIRIES

Our Clergy

Rev'd Lisa Fairman-Brown Priest in charge

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Mobile: 07925 275184

Lisa is taking annual leave 3-14th February.

<u>Viv Prior (Warden)</u>

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HYMN NUMBERS

507 Lord of all hopefulness

112 My song is love unknown (sing odd numbered verses)

In Christ Alone (inside sheet)

362 Tell out my soul

COLLECT for The Fourth Sunday before Lent

Lord of the hosts of heaven, our salvation and our strength, without you we are lost: guard us from all that harms or hurts and raise us when we fall; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Preaching Series: Faith Foundations - Exploring the Nicene Creed

This Sunday: One God - The Maker of Heaven and Earth

We believe in ...

What do we believe? We can trace back the central belief/creed of our Christian faith 1,700 years to 325AD. The year emperor Constantine called together a council of the church to gather in the city of Nicaea (modern day Turkey) and in 2025 Year of Faith in the Diocese of Chichester, we with countless Christians across the world get to celebrate the unity of belief not only across the nations and the denominations but across the centuries with all sorts of saints who have gone before us who declared their common faith, just as we do to this day in the words of the Nicene Creed.

Of course we have the very word of God in the Bible. Yet when we come to think about God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, we need a defining statement of belief and this is the creed (from the Latin credo – I believe...) Over the coming weeks we are going to go in close to each of the statements of the Nicene Creed, not so much to gaze at them, for they form the boundary round our faith, instead we will delight in how each statement draws us to the very goodness of God in his being and his nature.

BIBLE READINGS

Genesis 1:1-2

1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. 2 Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

Psalm 8

Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens. 2 Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence

the foe and the avenger. 3 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, 4 what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them? 5 You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honour. 6 You made them rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under their feet: 7 all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild, 8 the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas. 9 Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

John 1:1-5

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. 4 In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone, my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live, I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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