August 2018

In the HOLiDAy COaST Mission Community in the Anglican Diocese of Exeter Tuesday at Ten – Pause for Prayer

A copy of "Coastline", the occasional newsletter for the Holiday Coast Churches, is being published in August. Please see this for details of the latest <u>Samara's Aid Appeal</u>. We will be collecting in September. <u>What's on in August</u>

Sunday 5th,9.30First Sunday Communion; Also Sunday 2nd SeptemberSundays 12th,26th 9.30Sung Holy CommunionSunday 12th,4.30Dawlish Carnival Service in the Marquee, (Churches Together)Sunday 26th,8.00BCP Holy CommunionSunday 19th,10.30Sung Holy Communion12.00,BarBQ

<u>Tuesdays 7th, 14th 9.40</u>, Quiet Prayer; 10.00, Pause for Prayer; 10.30, Holy Communion (BCP on 14th) <u>Tuesdays 21st and 4th September</u> 10.00 Sacred Space, *Blending Morning Prayer, Taize, and Reflection* <u>Tuesday 28th, No services today</u>

Wednesday Drop In's in the Church Room; 2-4 pm: 1st and 15th August, 5th and 19th September Space



Churches Together Activities

Saturday 11th, 10-4 Carnival Marquee, Children's Craft Activities – Messy Churches are invited; Sunday 12th – Carnival Service in the Marquee, 4.30 - 5.15. Come and encourage Dallas who is leader.

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We are reigniting the Summer Barbeque on Sunday 19th August, so please note that <u>our</u> morning service starts an hour later at 10.30! Barbeque is £5 for adults, children free. Please pay in advance so that we know for how many to cater. Mike Kinsey, or someone on his behalf, will be at the door to take your £5 for your tickets after the services on 5th and 12th August. If you can't get to these services, please ring Chris. No payment in advance, no attendance!!!!

Please pass this on to any whom you think would like to come! We don't want to exclude anyone. Advance Dates

Messy Church is moving from a weekday to the 2nd Saturday of the month: 8th September at 2.30 pm!

Harvest Festival – Sunday 7th October – 9.15 Bacon Butties etc, <u>10.00 Harvest Songs of Praise</u> Store cupboard goods to be left in church from Sunday 22nd September, for local Foodbank, HITS. Produce of field, garden, kitchen etc to be brought on the day; to be exchanged for cash donations for HITS.

From October one of the Wednesday afternoon Drop In's will become the **Cake and Cleaning Café!** Pennie Galloway has valiantly organised the cleaning rota for many years now, and we are very grateful to her. The time has now come for her to hang up her duster and wring out her mop! Thank you, Pennie, for all your hard work. This coincides with several on the rota not being able to continue as they had before. The DCC is aware that a request to "clean the church" can seem like a tall order, so as from October the current rota will cease to exist, and cleaning will become a communal activity with whoever turns up on the appropriate day in October – dates to follow! I know that Pennie will be in touch with people to thank everyone. Anyone is welcome to the afternoon as we know some will welcome the company, and there



may be some knitting...!. **There will also be tea and cake!** Many remarked what a good day it was when we cleaned the church after HAP, and many hands make light work. So if you are free, please come. If you can hoover or sit and polish or make tea, good. If you can sit and chat to others, good. This is something that will evolve as we work out how

to clean together! However, we still will need a "Housekeeping Coordinator". Job spec – keep an eye on the hoovers and empty/get them emptied if necessary. Ensure adequate cleaning materials in the cleaning cupboard, hoover bags etc. Remind Church Warden of when spring clean or other cleaning is necessary. Keep an eye on the general cleanliness of the building and report any findings to Mike Burden, Church Warden (Buildings) and Chris. Note that this job spec does not involve any actual cleaning or organising rotas!! Nor is there any responsibility for housekeeping issues in the Kitchen area. Offers, suggestions? In the meantime, if we could each take responsibility for the Church Rooms. Anyone who is physically able



may find a broom or clean the WC or washbasin if it needs doing. The cleaning cupboard is behind the double white doors in the foyer and cleaning materials for the WC etc will be in the wall cupboard in the "smallest room" in due course. On this subject we plan to install a larger washbasin with easier to use tap and a plug in the plug hole! While we are in this area, have you heard of **TOILET TWINNING - A WATER AND SANITATION INITIATIVE - FLUSHING AWAY POVERTY, ONE TOILET AT A TIME.** It also makes life a lot safer for young girls who are often attacked when using the bush. "By donating £60 to twin your toilet, you help those in desperate poverty to have access to a proper latrine, clean water and the information they need to be healthy. Your smallest room becomes the proud owner of a certificate, complete with a colour photo of its twin and GPS coordinates so you can look up your twin's location." www.toilettwinning.org

If you would like to help twin our toilet, please place your contribution in the offertory in a Gift Aid envelope marked "Toilet Twinning". If you Gift Aid, please as usual write your details on the envelope.

<u>To move back to the kitchen area</u>, the following needs have been identified following the very successful Summer Buffet. (Thank you everyone concerned!) If you would like to contribute any items, or contribute to the cost, please see Mike K or Marilyn to check that the items have not already been given.



(Mike and Marilyn have oversight of the kitchen area on behalf of the District Church Council.) Complete set of cutlery 3 doz of knife, fork, desert & soup spoons 3 doz ceramic soup/desert bowls; Tongs/Salad Servers/Spatulas/Serving slice/Ladle/Wooden spoons; Condiment set; Two large stock type pots for use on Hob (to heat soup/stew type food etc); A large lightweight T pot; Heat protector mats/trivets; Chopping/bread board; Folding trolley

Resources in Church. At the back of the Church – in the carpeted corner you will find: cards for sale (50% to church funds) – instructions on the card stand; a selection of books which may be borrowed; the knitting basket which receives 6" squares and poppies; a bag of bags for use with Samara's Aid; children's books and colouring for children and adults; photos of the Summer Buffet; photos of the Church Council. Under the pew, the recycling box for stamps etc and more cards to choose from; on the noticeboard, items for information and prayer. In the hymn book area, you will find various folders and leaflets which might be of help practically or spiritually. Do not be afraid to look at these. That is what they are there for! In the cupboard underneath is the lost property box which will be emptied out for charity in the next few weeks (you have been warned, please look there!) and in the same cupboard the first aid box. In the Foyer you will find the Church Library which is open to all – see the notice on the red board. And in

the Library you will find (a) the folder containing the **Safeguarding Policy** and (b) church photograph albums. If you have any photos of Church Activities you would like to donate, please pass them to a member of the DCC for display, and a selection will eventually find their way into one of the albums.

News from the Foundation for Relief and Reconciliation in the Middle East

Teleskuf ('Bishop's Hill' in Aramaic) is a Christian village in northern Iraq; captured by ISIS in 2014 and 2016; on both occasions the jihadis were driven out. The second battle made international headlines as a US Navy SEAL was killed. Since ISIS' defeat, the parish is returning to a state of normality, but there are no jobs and the security situation is precarious. In April we went to Teleskuf and filmed some of the St George's Day festivities. An ancient people need help. We spoke to local journalist, Loav Azabo, interviewing him on the sports pitch in front of the massive 'tel' (hill) which overlooks the village... Last year, the first people to return to the village erected a huge crucifix on top of the hill to symbolise their return. While more people have made the trip home, Mr Azabo told us about the enormous challenges facing the returnees: "We hope there will be more attention on the village of Teleskuf because the thing that we lack is jobs which are still few. They [the townsfolk] returned and tried to restore life but there is a need for projects and things that brings life back. And the most important thing is to keep these people steadfast in their land and keep them proud of this hill and keep them proud of Teleskuf generally and make them proud of each other." Our plan of action With your support, we have already helped the village to create a children's play area. We also have ambitious plans for a business development programme to boost the local economy. It is vital Christian towns and villages in northern Iraq have sustainable enterprises if they are going to make the next big step towards full recovery. Sadly, international funding has been slow to reach places like this. The people of Teleskuf and the Nineveh Plain urgently need support. The land is currently in the grip of drought. The Tigris and the Euphrates are drying up. Temperatures have soared to an unbearable 45 degrees. The drought has hit farmers hard and little is being done to help them. One of the projects our Nineveh SEED programme will fund is deep water wells and linked irrigation systems for villages like Teleskuf. FRRME, PO Box 229, Petersfield, Hants, GU32 9DL, United Kingdom.