

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

He asked for a writing tablet, and to everyone's astonishment he wrote, "His name is John." Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue set free, and he began to speak, praising God. All the neighbours were filled with awe, and throughout the hill country of Judea people were talking about all these things. Everyone who heard this wondered about it, asking, "What then is this child going to be?" For the Lord's hand was with him.

Luke 1 vv63-66

OUR CHURCH

Sunday's services here and elsewhere. Pray for our own family members and their particular needs. Thank God for the blessing of Marc Lloyd and his family. Pray for our forthcoming Church activities, our Lay Reader, Jeremy Cooke, David our Church Warden, members of the PCC, and all who exercise leadership.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

Please pray for the families, children, and young people of the parish. Sunday Club, Little Warblers Toddlers Group (meets every Tuesday), Warblers (after school club at Punnetts Town School) and The Club with No Name (our club for 10-15 year-olds).

OUR PEOPLE WHO NEED OUR SUPPORT

Those for whom life is particularly challenging right now and really need our prayers: Nina & Pa Jabang, Pru Goring, Penny Howell, Shirley & Simon Turner and family, Jo Cleverley, Pamela Sharp, Don Cornford, Rosie Paice, Stephanie Howell and Jill Barham. Let's also remember those who provide so much care for them.

MISSION SUPPORT FOR JUNE – REV'D BEN WILLIAMSON

Ben is a Crosslinks Mission Partner in Johannesburg, where he has been Rector of Christ Church, Hillbrow since 2016. This is a congregation of the Reformed Evangelical Church in South Africa and is situated in a needy area but within easy reach of a student community and a business centre, so there is lots of potential for outreach and Christian friendship in many directions. A curate, Godfrey Penduka, is now working alongside Ben, helping with the day to day running of the church, as well as with young adults and students.

In February Ben wrote, "The last few Sundays have been very full. We have had lots of visitors.....a number of people have joined us and stayed with us.like last year we are planning an outreach month in May". By the time you read this it will be over, but we can pray that the church as a whole may have felt the impact and that many outside the church may have been affected and will want to find out more.

Ben has also been encouraged to see a growing sense of 'family' in his congregation, especially apparent at the Church Family Fun Day at the end of November - everyone mixed together, with different parts of the church getting alongside each other and sharing fellowship. Ben himself feels that he is getting to know individuals at a deeper level; many are facing hard issues and he asks us to pray that "God would give me the wisdom to offer them Christ in their situations".

A chance to meet Ben and hear personally about his work is being provided on Tuesday 26th June, 8.00pm at the Rectory. Do come to this and hear more.



**Warbleton
Parish
Church**

We offer you a very warm welcome to our church where Jesus Christ has been worshipped since the 13th century. If you are a visitor or a newcomer please make yourself known to us. We invite everybody to join us in the Church Rooms for coffee and fellowship after the service. Unstaffed crèche facilities are available in the Vestry at the back of church where there's a box of toys and you are able to hear the service. During the service an offering for God's work here and further afield is received, during a hymn. If you are a guest or visitor please don't feel obliged to give. Many regular members give by Standing Order. If you would like to make a donation today and you are a tax payer, please consider using the Gift Aid envelope in the pew.

Sunday June 24th 2018

11.00am Holy Communion and Sunday Club

**2 Samuel 7 vv1-17 (Page 310)
Luke 1 vv57-80 (Page 1027)**

THE COLLECT FOR THE BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

Almighty God, by whose providence your servant John the Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of your Son our Saviour by the preaching of repentance: lead us to repent according to his preaching and, after his example, constantly to speak the truth, boldly to rebuke vice, and patiently to suffer for the truth's sake; 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.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

IN THE COMING WEEK

Monday 25th June – Morning Prayer – 9.00am – 9.20am, at Osborne House.

Monday 25th June – Chaps Who Lunch – Meet again at the White Horse, Bodle Street Green at 12.30 – Please let Viv know if you can attend.

Monday 25th June – Bellringing Practice – 7.00pm at Dallington Church.

Tuesday 26th June – Little Warblers Toddlers Group – 10.00am-11.30am in the Church Rooms. Toys, fun, games, conversation, Bible story, songs & refreshments. Please ask Yvonne (01435 830421) for details.

Tuesday 26th June – Ladies' Bible Study Group – Meet again, 2.00pm at Wayside.

Tuesday 26th June - Warbleton Walkers - Meet again at 2.00pm at the Warbleton Church rooms for a walk of approximately 1 hour. Anyone and everyone very welcome to join in with or without dogs. Refreshments afterwards.

Tuesday 26th June - Meet Ben Williamson - You are warmly invited to meet The Rev'd Ben Williamson, the Minister in Charge of Christ Church, Hillbrow in Johannesburg, a Crosslinks missionary whom we support, hear about his work and pray for him. 8.00pm – 9.00pm at the Rectory. Coffee and biscuits will be served.

Wednesday 27th June - WarbleArt - Meets in the Church Rooms 10.00 – 12.00am to develop, support and share skills in an informal setting. This is open to all. The Group are exhibiting some of their work in the Church marquee at the Flower Show on Rushlake Green on Saturday 28th July. Contact Gail Welford 01435 812514.

Wednesday 27th June – WarbleSingers - Meet again at 7.30pm in the Church Rooms. The group is also meeting on 11th & 25th July. We are preparing for our concert in St Elisabeth's Hall, 268, Victoria Drive, Eastbourne on Friday 27th July starting at 7.00pm. Tickets are £5 and £3 for concessions and are available from Gail, Judith, Annabel and any other member of the choir. We are joining forces with 'Bourne to Sing' and raising funds for The Stroke Association and Care4Calais. Kerry works with another group of people who are stroke victims and they will be joining us on stage to sing at the end of the concert. Please make a note in your diary and support our community choir in this venture. Contact Gail Welford 01435 812514.

Thursday 28th June - Coffee & Company – Coffee will be served as normal in the Osborne House Community Rooms - 10.00am - 12.00.

Sunday 1st July – 11.00 am All Age Family Service.

Sunday 1st July - Church BBQ - Please join us for a BBQ lunch in the Church grounds after the all age service. Everyone is welcome. There is a sign up sheet for offers of salads/cakes/help on the day at the back of the Church. There will be seating however please bring your own chairs or blankets if you are able.

IN THE MONTHS AHEAD

JULY

Wednesday 11th July – Prayer First – Prayer is vital in our Church Community. Join us at 8.00pm at the Rectory for a time of prayer for our parish, its ministry and its people.

Saturday 14th July - Summer Drinks in the Rectory Garden - Marc and Yvonne would like to invite everyone for drinks and nibbles in the Rectory garden in Rookery Lane, Rushlake Green, TN21 9QJ from 4pm – 6pm on. Hope you can make it!

Sunday 15th July Churches Together in Heathfield and District United Evening Worship – At All Saints, Old Heathfield commencing at 6.30 pm.

LATER IN 2018

Friday 10th August - Opera Anywhere present Gilbert & Sullivan's Patience – 6.00pm at Warbleton Parish Church - Bookings: 0333 666 3366 OperaAnywhere.com/events

Sunday 19th August - Churches Together in Heathfield and District United Evening Worship – At All Saints, Waldron, commencing at 6.30 pm.

OTHER NOTICES

SERVING THE CHURCH

Are you interested in serving on the welcoming team, the coffee rota, the sound desk, by reading the Bible in Church or in some other way? If so, please speak to Marc or David.

DANEHILL VENTURE CHRISTIAN SUMMER HOLIDAY FOR 11-14 YR OLDS

Bookings have now closed for 2018.

The best week of the year; something for everyone! Great food, drama, and music. Amazing choice of on and off-site activities, including sports, crafts, swimming, trips to the beach and Chessington World of Adventures. Lots of fun and laughter with new friends, really clear Bible teaching, and unforgettable last night entertainment!

Please pray for all those attending.

STREET PASTORS PRAYER TEAM

Fridays 7.30pm – 10.30pm King's Church foyer, except for 2nd Friday of the month, 2.30pm – 5.30pm Welcome Baptist Church. Feel free to come and go as you can.

FOUNDATION GOVERNOR

It seems likely we will be looking for a new Foundation Governor for the Woodlands Federation (Punnetts Town Community, Broad Oak Community and Dallington C of E primary schools). The role involves helping to develop the Christian ethos at Dallington School. If you are interested in finding out more, please speak to Marc.

CHECK OUT THE CHURCH WEBSITE

To find out more about your Church and what's going on visit warbletonchurch.org.uk
You can follow us on Facebook [facebook.com/WarbletonParishChurch/](https://www.facebook.com/WarbletonParishChurch/) and Twitter twitter.com/WarbletonChurch