

The Parish of St Nicholas, Sandhurst

Our Worship – 29th September

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect: Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; 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.

8.00 am BENEFICE HOLY COMMUNION AT ST GEORGE’S

led by Revd David Commander

Readings: 1 Timothy 6.6-19, Luke 16.19-end

10.00 am HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE

led by Revd David Commander & Lyn Hayes

Bible Readings:
2 Corinthians 9.6-15
Luke 12:16-31

| HYMNS | |
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| 101 | Come, ye thankful people come |
| 534 | We plough the fields and scatter |
| 21 | All things bright and beautiful |
| 354 | Now thank we all our God |

Organist: Michael Tester

The Week Ahead

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| Monday 30 th | 8.00 am | Morning Prayer at St George’s |
| Tuesday 1 st | 8.00 am | Morning Prayer at the Mission Church |
| | 10.00 am | Holy Communion at the Mission Church led by Revd David Commander |
| | 3.00 pm | ‘Blend’ set up |
| | 4- 6.00 pm | ‘Blend’ Youth Group for 11-15 year olds at the Mission Church |
| Wednesday 2 nd | 7.00 pm | Sandhurst Worship Group |
| | 8.00 pm | Home Group at Julia & David Collards’ |
| | 8.00 am | Morning Prayer at the Mission Church |
| Friday 4 th | 9-11 am | Drop in Café & Toddler Group |
| | 7.30 pm | Home Group at the Mission Church |
| Saturday 5 th | 8.00 am | Morning Prayer at St George’s |
| | 9.15 am–1.00 pm | “Mission.... And Growth in our Churches” at the Mission Church |

Sunday Next: 6th October – Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Readings: 2 Timothy 1.1-14, Luke 17.5-10

8.00 am Holy Communion led by Revd David Commander

10.00 am Morning Worship led by Lyn Hayes

5.00 pm Evening Prayer at St George’s led by Revd David Commander

Readings: Sunday 29th September

2 Corinthians 9.6-15

⁶The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. ⁹As it is written,

‘He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;
his righteousness endures for ever.’

¹⁰He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; ¹²for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. ¹³Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, ¹⁴while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you.

¹⁵Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Luke 12:16-31

¹⁶Then he told them a parable: ‘The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, “What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?” ¹⁸Then he said, “I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.”

²⁰But God said to him, “You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?” ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.’

Do Not Worry

²²He said to his disciples, ‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. ²³For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing.

²⁴Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! ²⁵And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁶If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? ²⁷Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ²⁸But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! ²⁹And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. ³⁰For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

THIS SUNDAY - 29th September - The 5th Sunday of the Month

Benefice Services

8am Benefice Communion at St George’s

10am Matins Service at St George’s 10am Harvest Service at St Nicholas

Home Groups: The Tuesday Home Group meets at 8pm in Benenden, usually at Julia and David Collard’s. The Wednesday Home Group meets at 7.30pm at the Mission Church. All are welcome to both groups.

Churchyard: Our thanks to Bob who has spent a lot of time over the past week cutting the grass and hay making. A big thank you also to the 7 people who joined him raking up and clearing away the grass on Tuesday afternoon. A good job well done. Thank you all!

Mission....

And Growth of our churches.

If you are interested in these..... about reaching out and helping those in our communities, and trying to do something about turning around the decline in church numbersthen please come along to an event for both parishes at the Mission Church on Saturday 5th October. The session is being facilitated by Revd Steve Coneys (Diocesan Advisor on Mission and Growth). We will gather at 9:15am for a 9:30 start, and conclude by 1pm. We will explore The Word together to see how we make that relevant to serving God in this place, at this time. For those who wish to stay, a simple lunch of soup and rolls will be provided at the end. (I know England are playing Argentina at that time, but you can always record it; our mission and growth are more important than watching one rugby match live!)

Our Mission: "To know and love Jesus and make his love known to all"

If you would like to know more, give me a call or we can have a chat over coffee.
Revd David.

***BLEND – Youth Group for all 11 to 15 year olds
Tuesdays from 4 to 6pm at Sandhurst Mission Church.
All Welcome!***

***Commemoration of the Faithful Departed
Service at St George's, Benenden***

***Friday 1st November - 7.30pm led by Revd David Commander
(refreshments in church from 7pm)***

All Saints' Service at St Nicholas, Sandhurst

Sunday 3rd November - 10 am led by Lyn Hayes

Should you wish the name of a loved one to be read out at either of the above services, please email or telephone Cathy in the Benefice Office:

Tel 01580 850 849 - Email benendenchurch@gmail.com

***Our St Nicholas Church website:
<https://stnicholassandhurst.org/>***

Please take a look:



Put down your phones -
Come and have some fun
instead!

**BLEND - TUESDAYS, AFTER
SCHOOL**
Mission Church



EST. 2018

 Blend Sandhurst
 #BlendSMC

If your child would like to attend Blend after school on Tuesdays from 4 – 6pm in term time, please fill out this form and send it to vickijyoung40@gmail.com or Vicki Young, 3 Stumblets, Ballards Hill, Northiam, East Sussex TN31 6QT



Child's Name

Parent's Name

Parent's Phone Number

Email

Address

School

I am/am not happy for my details to be kept on St Nicholas' secure database


I am/am not happy for my child's picture to be used for Blend's publicity

Child's medical conditions?.....

Many thanks for returning this. We want to keep your child safe while they are at Blend, and look forward to welcoming them on Tuesday 10th September

For more information, please contact
vickijyoung40@gmail.com

Contacts:

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