

Your guide to this coming week:

Monday 12th August

9am – 11am FISH (Food in School Holidays)
12pm No Midday Prayer
1pm Wedding – Chloe & Alex
6pm Bellringing Practice

Tuesday 13th August

2pm Funeral & Burial – Patricia Saunders

Wednesday 14th August

12pm Midday Prayer – Church

Friday 16th August

12pm Holy Communion – In Church
12.30pm Open Church (until 4pm)
6pm Choir Practice – In Church

Sunday 18th August

10am Sung Eucharist Service
12.15pm Baptism – Theodore Leigh Albert Miller
4pm Tea & Nibbles
5pm Songs of Praise Service
(Outside weather permitting)

**Large-print Service Sheets & Hymn Books available.
Toilets & Baby Changing are in the Church Centre.**

This week's pew sheet is kindly sponsored by
Mothers' Union to celebrate

Mary Sumner Day

'Founder of the Mothers' Union'

Friday 9th August



SONGS OF PRAISE SERVICES

SUNDAY 11TH, 18TH & 25TH AUGUST

4PM TEA & NIBBLES, FOLLOWED BY 5PM PRAISE SERVICE

DURING AUGUST EVENING SERVICES WILL BE INFORMAL
SONGS OF PRAISE SERVICES OUTSIDE (WEATHER PERMITTING)

**PLEASE LET SIMON KNOW YOUR
FAVOURITE HYMNS, READINGS & POEMS**

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11.08.24

Welcome to

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

LOWESTOFT



If you would like to make an offering to

St. Margaret's please place your gift either on the collection plate *before* the service or use the card-reader at the back of church. Your gift supports our ongoing mission work & helps towards the upkeep of this beautiful church.

Thank you for your kind gift.

Sunday 11th August 2024

11th Sunday after Trinity

10am Sung Eucharist

Presiding: Canon Simon
Preaching: Canon Simon
Deacon: Gerda
Reader: Delphine
Reading: Ephesians 4: 25-5: 2
Gospel: John 6:35,41-51
Intercessor: Christine
Hymns: 650, 373, 557, 448 & 777



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this week's
service booklet

*Tea & coffee are served in the Church Centre
following the service. Please stay and join us.*

**4pm / 5pm Tea & Nibbles at 4pm followed by
Songs of Praise Service at 5pm
Outdoor – Weather Permitting**

Services for Sunday 18th August 2024

12th Sunday after Trinity

10am Sung Eucharist

12.15pm Baptism - Theodore Miller

**4pm / 5pm Tea & Nibbles at 4pm followed by
Songs of Praise Service at 5pm
Outdoor – Weather Permitting**

Collect (Prayer of the Week)

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Lectionary Readings

Old Testament Reading: 2 Samuel 18:5-9,15, 31-33

The king gave orders to Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, 'Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom.' And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. And ten young men, Joab's armour-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him. Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, 'Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you.' The king said to the Cushite, 'Is it well with the young man Absalom?' The Cushite answered, 'May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man.' The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, 'O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would that I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!'

New Testament Reading: Ephesians 4: 25-5:2

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of

redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore, be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Gospel Reading: John 6: 35, 41-51

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people have celebrated that one
true sacrifice which takes away our sins and
brings pardon and peace: by our communion
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



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