

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2017**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**  
**09:00am Holy Communion**

President and Preacher: Revd Sr. Elizabeth Shearcroft, C.A.

Readings: Isaiah 55: 10-13 OT page 696  
Romans 8:1-11 NT page 153  
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 NT page 13

**10.00 am Love Streatham ~ Church on the Common ~**

We join with other churches for our  
Annual open air Service



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Our weekly newsletter for you to take home



## Immanuel and St Andrew

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**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**  
**09:00am Holy Communion**

President and Preacher: Revd Sr. Elizabeth Shearcroft, C.A.

Readings: Zechariah 9: 9-12 OT page 898  
Romans 7:15-25a NT page 153  
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 NT page 11

**10.00 am Year 6 "Moving On" Service**

Romans 7:15-25a (read by year 6 pupil)

Followed by ~ "Bring and Share" Lunch ~  
Joyce Lynch co-ordinating

### Collect

**O God, the protector of all who trust in you,  
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:  
increase and multiply upon us your mercy;  
that with you as our ruler and guide  
we may so pass through things temporal  
that we lose not our hold on things eternal;  
grant this, heavenly Father,  
for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen**

## Diary Dates

### Thursday 13th July

- CAIAS - in the Common Room - Movement to Music.

### Start the Day Right 9am

Morning prayer in the chapel on Monday for the next two weeks as Jenny is not available for Wednesdays. We are unable to guarantee morning prayer taking place on Tuesdays and Thursdays - so please check with Elizabeth.

### Love Streatham Fun Day - Saturday 15th July 2017

On our Common—1-4pm. A free day for all the family, games, bouncy castles, stalls, refreshments and other activities. We as a Church provide 2 bouncy castles. Please see Arthur Williams if you would like to help out with supervision.

### Ecumenical Service - Sunday 16th July 2017

On our Common at 10.30am. An opportunity to share worship and celebrate with many of the other Churches in Streatham. Theme is "Treasure and Pearls". Clair would welcome support in making biscuits for the children's Messy Church. The recipe is available in foyer or from Janiel. **Remember** - There is no 10.00am Service on 16th July as we will be on the Common, but please prepare for the shared worship by joining us at 09.00 am for Holy Communion in the Church.

### Accessible Light - 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2017

We would like to get an idea of how many want to come to this day of sacred space and prayer ministry, so if you plan to come **please sign up** as soon as possible. We are limited to 20 people.

### Foodbank donations

Foodbank stocks are currently very low and demand is currently very high. Please see the list in the Foyer and donate whatever you can. There is a new big, & blue collection crate in Foyer. Why not get into the habit of bringing in a tin/packet a week when you attend Church? We thank you in advance.

## Prayer pointers

- Give thanks as we make arrangements to appoint our churchwardens and for those who feel God is calling them to this ministry. Continue to pray that God will raise two further 'elected' PCC members from our number.
- For all affected in any way by the atrocities of Manchester and London, as they care, mourn and seek justice, as well as those affected by the disastrous tower block fire in Kensington. For those who have been evacuated from their homes whilst safety repairs take place ~ that they can return soon.
- For each of us as Pentecost people ~ continuing our journey of faith and welcoming the Holy Spirit.
- For cover for our Services while Elizabeth is on holiday next month. Pray for Bishop Richard as he prepares to visit on 6th August to provide our 10.00 am Communion.

## WELCOME BAGS

We hope that you have received one of our welcome bags, please enjoy & note their content and complete and return the Church Contact Details form which is amongst the information.

We really would like to 'know' who comes to church!

You can hand your form to one of the stewards or put it in the box in the foyer.

We aim to hand out bags at the end of each service to newcomers and those who have not yet received theirs. If you don't get one, let us know.

### Open Door ~ Summer Edition

From 23rd July we will produce our Summer Open Door which will contain Service times, Readings and Collects for the next seven weeks and a general prayer pointer for that period. Any URGENT notices we will endeavour to publish on an insert if staffing levels permit.

### Streatham Senior Connections - Mindful Movement

Chair-based yoga exercise sessions on Mon 31st July and 7th, 14th & 21st August. 1.30-2.30pm at St. Leonard's Church. All welcome.

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All sorts of worldly and material things influence the way we behave but Paul is teaching that there is now a much better influence that will help us to behave in ways that we do not regret or hate. Jesus shows us the way to behave that will reflect God's love for all that He has created.

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Zechariah reminds us that the coming of our King is a cause for rejoicing because He brings God's Love and Peace for all who become children of hope.

Matthew speaks of the contradictions found in each of our personalities as we try to go it alone and deny God, refusing to recognise that He is with us in all things. How contrary we can be!

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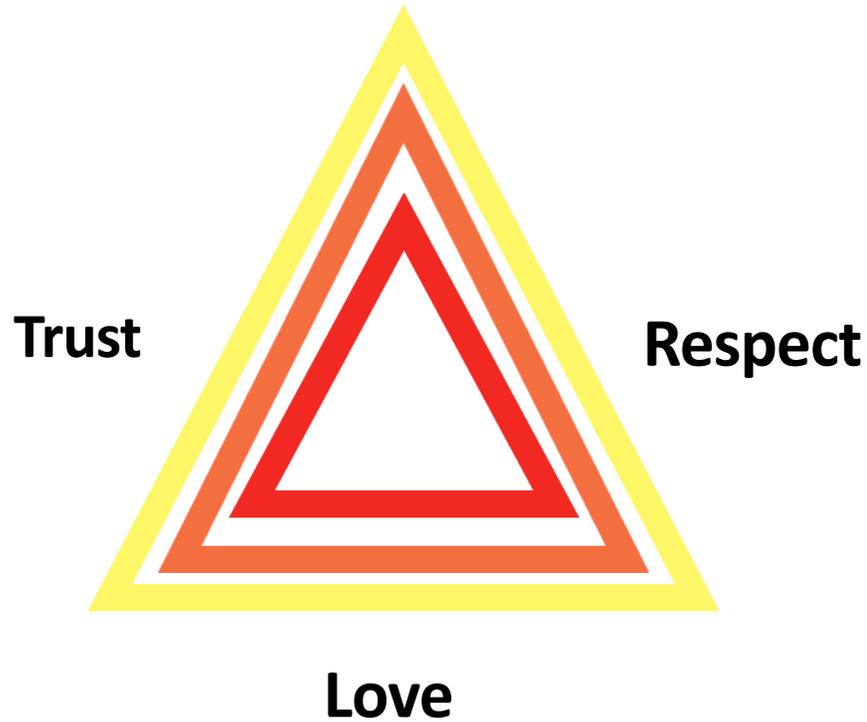
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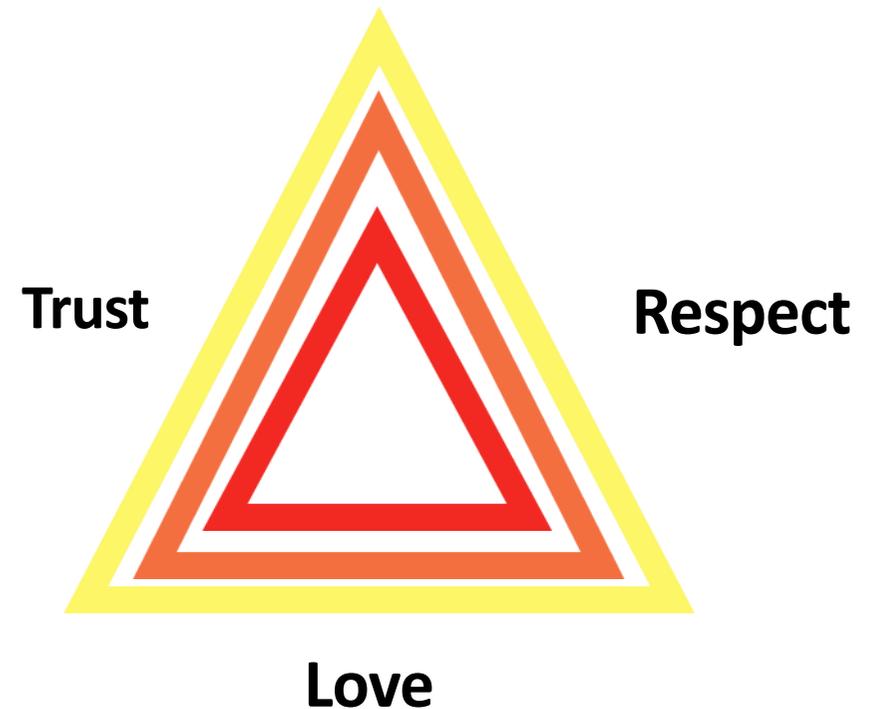
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