



Welcome to St Margaret's Ifield
11am 1st September 2019
First Sunday Service



**FORGIVE US OUR SINS,
AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO SIN AGAINST US**

We welcome you whether you can sing like Pavarotti or just growl quietly to yourself. You're welcome here if you're just 'browsing', just woken up or just got lost and ended up here by accident. We don't care if you're more Christian than the Archbishop of Canterbury, or have never been to church before! Join in where and when you want. Stand up, sit down; sing out loud or just reflect on the words - whatever suits you best. We are so pleased that you're here! Welcome!

Leader: See what love the Father has given us,
All: that we should be called the children of God.

Leader: You are my sons and daughters,
this day I have begotten you.
All: See what love the Father has given us.

Leader: As many as received him,
to them he gave power to become the children of God.
All: See what love the Father has given us.

Leader: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
**All: See what love the Father has given us,
that we should be called the children of God.**

WORDS OF WELCOME

'Accept one another for the glory of God, as Christ has accepted you.'
(Romans 15:7)

SONGS OF PRAISE

**Come, now is the time to worship.
Come, now is the time to give your heart.
Come, just as you are to worship.
Come, just as you are before your God.**

**One day ev'ry tongue will confess you are God.
One day ev'ry knee will bow.
Still, the greatest treasure remains for those
Who gladly choose you now.**

**Come, now is the time to worship.
Come, now is the time to give your heart.
Come, just as you are to worship.
Come, just as you are before your God.**

Last time: Come.

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**In my wrestling and in my doubts
In my failures You won't walk out
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea.**

*'Accept one another for the glory of God, as Christ has accepted you.'
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In the silence, You won't let go
In the questions, Your truth will hold
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea

My lighthouse, my lighthouse
Shining in the darkness, I will follow You
My lighthouse, my lighthouse
I will trust the promise, You will carry me

Safe to shore
Safe to shore
Safe to shore
Safe to shore

I won't fear what tomorrow brings
With each morning I'll rise and sing
My God's love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea

*Fire before us, You're the brightest
You will lead us through the storms.*

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FIRST READING

Luke 7:36-50

THE TALK

'Accept one another for the glory of God, as Christ has accepted you.'
(Romans 15:7)

VIDEO

TIME TO TALK

SECOND READING

Ephesians 4:30-5:2a

STORY

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Leader: God our Father,
We come to you in sorrow for our sins.
For turning away from you,
and ignoring your will for our lives.

SONG OF PRAYER

**Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways!
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper rev'ence praise,
in deeper rev'ence praise.**

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**In simple trust like theirs who heard,
beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word,
rise up and follow thee,
rise up and follow thee.**

**O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love!
interpreted by love!**

**Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace,
the beauty of thy peace.**

TIME FOR REFLECTION

*'Accept one another for the glory of God, as Christ has accepted you.'
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SONG OF PRAYER (CONTINUED)

Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind and fire,
O still small voice of calm!
O still small voice of calm!

John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)

Leader: May the God of love and power
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by his Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF BELIEF

**All: I believe that God is my Father in heaven,
I believe He made the world
I believe that He gives me life,
I believe that He helps me grow.**

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**I believe that Jesus is the Son of God and the Son of Mary.
Jesus shows me that God is love;
Jesus lived and died for me.
Jesus is alive now, alive in me and in my neighbour.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit who helps me to love others,
who makes me holy, who helps me know God better.**

**I believe in God's family the Church.
I believe that I will be happy with God forever and ever. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BLESSING

Leader: May the peace of Jesus be in our hearts;
may the joy of Jesus be on our lips
may the hope of Jesus be in our lives
and may the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
be with us this day and always.

All: Amen.

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THE DISMISSAL

We go into the world to walk in God's light,
to rejoice in God's love,
and to reflect God's glory.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ.

SONG OF PRAISE

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine:
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God;
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.**

***This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long.
This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long.***

**Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture burst on my sight;
angels descending, bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.**

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***This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long.***

***This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long.***

**Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Saviour am happy and blest;
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.**

***This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long.***

***This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long.***

Frances Jane van Alsyne (Fanny J. Crosby) (1820-1915)

Thank you for being here. May the peace of Jesus be in your hearts, and the joy of Jesus on your lips, as you leave this holy place nourished for the week ahead.

Please come and join us for refreshments at the back of the church. We would love the chance to get to know each better.

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Notices

Services next Sunday: **Said Holy Communion (8 am)**
Trinity 12 **FIISH (9.30 am)**
 Sung Eucharist (11 am)

For our prayers

The Parish: Abbotsfield Road, Albert Crane Close,
Aldingbourne Close and Ambleside Close,
Adelaide Close, Ashmore House, Auckland
Close and Beckett Lane

The Sick: Patients of Langley Green Hospital and Bill,
Joan Richmond, Dorothy Warder, Sophie and
Margaret Hanson

The Departed:

Year's mind: Tom Woodley, Ellen Day, Jeffrey Walton,
Dennis Lehee, Moira Plunkett, Carole Leach
and Sarah Aldridge

Also for our Prayers: For those starting school and those
transferring to secondary school
For all the couples who have been married
here this summer
Thanksgiving for the work of Christians Against
Poverty
Thanksgiving for farmers and all who work on
the land.

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Notices Continued

Preparation for Communion - is your child interested in receiving communion? Are they aged over 7? Speak to Naomi or email her at ycofficer@ifieldparish.org

Youth Confirmation Classes - we are looking to run some Youth Confirmation Classes ready for the confirmation service on the 22nd September. Is your child interested in being confirmed? Speak to Naomi or email her at ycofficer@ifieldparish.org

If you have a **Children's Society** box please bring it into church so that the money can be sent off.

Your **used ink jet cartridges** raise money for the church. Please bring them in and put them in the box on the windowsill.

First Sunday Service. Our service on Sunday 7th July was the sixth of the new non-Eucharistic First Sunday services. We originally committed to trialling this new format and reviewing it after six months. For ease of planning, we will continue to run this service for the next couple of months, but at its meeting on 18th September the PCC needs to decide whether we should continue with it or perhaps adapt it.

Now is your opportunity to express your views. How is it going? What do you like? How would you like to see it improve? What do you really think?

All opinions are valid.

We hope that those of you who have been to this service only once will come again to see how it has developed. We will welcome your thoughts.

Please give your verbal or written comments to any member of the PCC. You will find their names and photographs on the board close to the clergy vestry. If you prefer, you can leave your comments in the box on the literature table.

Preparation of Parish Profile As you are probably aware, we are putting together a Parish Profile which we need to do before we can seek a new incumbent. We have written to various groups / service leaders to bring together some words and any photos / logos etc that tell the story of what each group does. If you lead a group affiliated to St. Margaret's Church and would like to contribute to the parish profile, please contact Clare Wilson pccsecretary@ifieldparish.org tel 07761122172 for additional information before end July 2019. If you have any queries you can also contact Chris Bell, Parishwarden on 01293 521699.

Ride and Stride Sponsored Event - Saturday 14th September 9 am – 5 pm. Visit Sussex's unique historic buildings, see our beautiful countryside, get some exercise and have fun in a group or as an individual entry.... what could be better? **How can you get involved?** Ride your bike, walk or drive to raise money for St. Margaret's Church and the Sussex Historic Churches Trust. The money you raise will be divided equally between the two. Visit www.sussexhistoricchurchestrust.org.uk to plan your route and to create an online sponsor form or contact Clare Wilson for sponsor forms. Tel: 0776 1122 172 or email pccsecretary@ifieldparish.org. It would be great to have the names of anyone planning to take part.

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SMILE ladies social events –

Tickets have been reserved at Hawth Crawley for -

- Cabaret the musical - Thursday 19th September 2019 at 7.30 pm £35 each
- Nutcracker by the Russian State Ballet - Monday 14th October 2019 at 7:30 pm. Discounted ticket cost is £31.50 each.

Let me know if you would like a ticket for either of these shows - catch me in church most Sundays. All ladies are welcome to attend our events (and men too!). For further details contact Clare Wilson Email: pccsecretary@ifieldparish.org or 0776 1122 172

CAP money Course – 3 x Tuesday Evenings – 24th Sept, 1st Oct and 8th October (19:30 to 21:30), St Andrew's Church, Furnace Green - The CAP Money Course is a free course that will teach you budgeting skills and a simple, cash-based system that works. In just a few weeks, you will get to grips with your finances so you can budget, save and prevent debt. Whether you feel pretty organised or whether it's like a lucky dip every time you try to withdraw cash from your account, the CAP Money Course will help you take complete control of your finances. Please Sign up at the following link, or speak to Rob for more information – the link will also be on the Website: <https://ecc.churchsuite.co.uk/events/xkzft3a>

CAP Volunteers Wine and Cheese Evening – Weds 25th September, 19:00 to 21:30, St Andrew's Church, Furnace Green - An evening to celebrate and thank all our CAP Centre Volunteers. If you are currently involved in any of our teams, or interested in being involved in the CAP team and would like to know more about what we do, please do join us on this evening. We will be also using a portion of the evening to share some important information that needs to be covered. Please Sign up at the following link, or speak to Rob for more information – the link will also be on the Website: <https://ecc.churchsuite.co.uk/events/dysj4yhg>

Deanery Healing Service: Sunday, 20th October at 4.00 pm at St. Barnabas' Church, Pound Hill. All are warmly invited. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

50 tickets have been reserved for the Thursday Dec 19th 7 pm performance. **The Nativity at Wintershall Estate Nr Bramley Surrey.** The coach to leave Ifield 6 pm approx arrive back 10.30 pm ish. Cost per person £18 entrance and coach cost to be advised possibly about £9 to £10. Please contact Sylvia Smith at 01293 436584 to reserve tickets or see me in church most Sundays.

See www.ifieldparish.org for service times, The Buzz, current service sheets, Church groups and events

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