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# Sunday 7 May

# 10.30 Sunday Worship Sue Jacobs

Steward:	Donald Reid
Readers:	Barry Wilson
Music:	Paul Richards
AV:	Jonathan Gravestock

Flowers today are given by Mrs Efro Draper

Previous services are available on Youtube at:<u>https://</u> www.youtube.com/channel/UCCm05631kHuZgUbYm2xVwUQ



# Prayer

Be to us, O Lord Jesus Christ, the table set for all, the light radiating from your saints, the sun shining in our midst, and the joy prepared for your people; now and forever.

Amen

Symeon the New Theologian (949-1022)

HMC Mission: To share the love of God, as revealed by Christ, through the Holy Spirit

# Week 8 - 14 May 2023

- Mon 8 2.30 Monday Guild Bank Holiday
- Tues 9 12.00 Lunch club in the hall
- Weds 10 2.30 Drop-in session at Georgies in George St
- Thurs 1110.30 Midweek Communion with Rev Andy Lowe12.30 Lunch club in the hall
- Friday 12 10.00 Chatty Café 13:30 Polka Tots

## Sat'day 13 4.00 Coronation Celebration concert tea

Sunday 14 10.30 Holy Communion service with Rev Andy Lowe



### Focus magazine

The Summer issue is out, copies around the place, Steve has done a brilliant job again. It's full of events to come and a review of what's happened in our five churches this past quarter. If you want a hard copy contact the office. **Elin Star** 

#### New book group

The History of Christianity, an illuminating and non-partisan book by Diarmuid McCulloch, recommended by Rowan Williams is the subject of a new book group here. Starting on Wednesday 10 May, it will be a drop-in group in the Narthex, wending its way through the book, with time for discussion and reflection on the way. All are welcome to join us for all or part of the journey.

#### **Rose Bateman**

### **Coronation Celebration 13 May**

We will be having another joint tea party this time to celebrate the coronation of King Charles. It's the Saturday 13 May, so put the date in your diaries to finish up your coronation week's activities. Lots of old favourites from the Martlets choir, and a cream tea from Rachel and the gang.

Speaking of which if would like to help at the event please speak to me and we need some prizes for the raffle and if you have anything suitable please bring them to the church/office.

### **Rachel Richards**

## **Community Breakfast 3 June**

Another date for your diaries - we'll be open for breakfast from 9.30 on Saturday 3 June. If you can help, contact our Rachel.

## **Painting group**

Our very own Gloria (for those that don't know her, she helps at chatty cafe, polka tots and messy church and is a lunch club guest) is an artist and had two of her paintings displayed among some 200 pieces at the Friends meeting house last week. Gloria would love to teach people how to paint at Chatty cafe so if you



would like to produce something like this awesome elephant come along on a Friday at 10-11.30.

#### **Clothes for refugees**

Our winter collection produced great results, ending up with piles of warm clothing up in the church gallery. Several people have benefitted including one chap who needed a complete outfit for a

job interview! As the coldest days are behind us, Ruth chose some good quality lighter clothing and took it, together with a lot of toiletries to the International Network of Women sanctuary afternoon at All Saints church last Friday. She says "Fiona and her team were soooo grateful, they said a big



thank you. They are working with sanctuary seekers in Brighton & Hove hotels and with local Ukranians. The vicar at All Saints and



the Network are building a community garden for vegetables at All Saints, perhaps we could get involved if anyone is interested in gardening or learning more about gardening." We have closed this particular collection now - no more clothes for now, thanks. **HMC Office** 

## **News from the Church**

- Jacqui was taken into an acute ward in the County at the weekend. Caroline and Rachel visited on Tuesday. Hopefully she will be coming home to a hospital bed and hospice care.
- Jenny recently lost an old friend, and Pat took her a gorgeous bunch of flowers on Tuesday afternoon. The church flowers are still fulfilling their mission.

#### **Coronation lunch**

Jubilations kicked off in style with a wonderful lunch from Food & Friendship; we had Coronation Quiche, bubbly and scones:

