

September



- 6 Managing Conflict Well Matthew 18:15-20
- 13 The Unmerciful Servant Matthew 18:21-35
- 20 Workers in the Vineyard Matthew 20:1-16
HARVEST THANKSGIVING
- 27 On whose authority? Matthew 21:23-32

October

- 4 The Tenants Matthew 21:33-46
- 11 The Wedding Banquet Matthew 22:1-14
- 18 Taxes and Questions Matthew 22:15-22
- 25 Signs of the End Times Matthew 24:30-35

A KING AND A KINGDOM, according to Matthew

This year has been designated the 'Year of Matthew', beginning a four year programme 'Living the Mystery of Faith' (2026– 2030). Having focussed on some of Matthew's 'Portraits of Jesus' earlier in the year, we now explore how his gospel emphasises **a King and a Kingdom**.

Matthew stresses that **God has sent His King, His Messiah**, who would rule as His Regent on earth by offering the Kingdom to His people.

November

- 1 The Beatitudes Matthew 5:1-12
ALL SOULS SERVICE at Ashburnham
- 8 **REMEMBRANCE SERVICE** (at 10.50 am)
- 15 The Talent Show Matthew 25:14-30
SHOE-BOX SERVICE (Samaritan's Purse)
Speaker: Revd Guy Partridge (CAP)
- 22 The Sheep and the Goats Matthew 25:31– 46
- 29 **ADVENT SUNDAY** (10.30 am at Penhurst)
HOPE Mark 13:24-37

December

- 6 PEACE Mark 1:1-8
- 13 JOY John 1:6-8, 19-28
- 20 LOVE Luke 1:26-38
- 27 **END OF YEAR SERVICE** (10.30 am at Penhurst)
STEPHEN Acts 5:8-15 & Acts 7:51– 8:1a

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*'See, I have placed before you an open door
that no one can shut' - Revelation 3 v.8*



MEN'S BREAKFASTS

**Saturday 26th September and
Saturday 14th November**

(details to be confirmed in The Post)



HARVEST SUPPER

**Saturday 19th September at 7 pm
The Village Hall, Ashburnham**

HARVEST THANKSGIVING

**Sunday 20th September at 9.15 am at Penhurst
and 11 am at Ashburnham**



RURAL CONFERENCE

'Being Rural : Being Fruitful'

**Friday 9th October at 9.45 am at
Plumpton College, East Sussex**

To book visit: 'TryBooking Events', then,

'BEING RURAL : BEING FRUITFUL'



ALL SOULS SERVICE

Sunday 1st November

11 am @ Ashburnham Church



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

**Sunday 8th November at 10.50 am
at the Village War Memorial**

CHRISTMAS @ ASHBURNHAM & PENHURST

Sunday 13th December at 5 pm

Traditional Carols By Candlelight at Penhurst

Sunday 20th December at 6 pm

Carols By Candlelight at Ashburnham

Thursday 24th December, Christmas Eve

at 4 pm Carols Around The Crib

Christmas Day at 10.30 am

Christmas Communion at Ashburnham

Sundays at 9.15 am & 11 am

At Penhurst and Ashburnham we aim to be churches that are accessible to everyone; to be a place where people feel welcome and can experience something of the love of God.

Gathering together is part of our regular rhythm as Christians. We come together to worship God each Sunday, **at 9.15 am at Penhurst (TN33 9QP) and at 11 am at Ashburnham (TN33 9NE)**, to sing hymns and songs, pray, listen to God's word, support and encourage each other, and to remember with bread and wine what Jesus has done for us.

At Penhurst we use the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), while at Ashburnham Common Worship (CW) is used primarily. These services reflect the traditional and contemporary breadth of liturgy in the Church of England and, with Ashburnham Chapel, seek to offer services which are welcoming, meaningful and accessible to all.

After each service refreshments are served at both churches. At Ashburnham prayer ministry is available for any who wish to be prayed for, and there are activity packs for children aged 4+.

Occasionally the two congregations worship together, usually whenever there is a fifth Sunday in the month. For details of the services at each of the churches please visit the website or sign up for 'The Post'.



Home Groups provide an informal opportunity to meet together around God's Word, the Bible, to encourage one another, to pray together, to discuss or ask questions, and grow in Christian fellowship. Fellowship Groups are an 'open door' to anyone who wishes to come along - all are welcome!. There are currently two mid-week Home Groups, meeting on alternate Wednesday evenings and Thursday afternoons, plus a Women's Bible Study meeting on alternate Wednesday mornings. Please visit our website, or refer to 'The Post' or contact Revd Gary.

Prayer Hour

Prayer lies at the very heart of a Christian's relationship with the living God and we want to encourage one another in the discipline and joy of daily prayer. We make sure it is a feature of our coming together as a church family each Sunday, both through lay-led intercessions and a Prayer Ministry Team (at Ashburnham), and at our monthly Prayer Hour. The Prayer Hour takes place in the Church Hall (and on zoom between November & March) on the third Tuesday of each month between 7.30 pm and 8.30 pm. All welcome.



THE POST

'The Post' is our monthly Newsletter containing details of worship services, activities, news items, and prayer requests. To contribute items please contact Rachel (rachel@bickersteth.net) and to subscribe email David: DAmos78261@aol.com

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St Peter's, Ashburnham &
St Michael the Archangel, Penhurst



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