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WELCOME

Welcome to edition two of the TCCC newsletter - the summer edition!

Spring was busy and we celebrated Easter and VE day together in the usual TCCC style :-). See all the pictures on pages 4-11.

We welcomed Sharon accompanied by Barbara to preach. She was a delight and you could see the love and bond between them both.

Barbara came again in May. Unfortunately she had left her notes behind but with Ian spiritually by her side and God's comfort, she delivered an amazing sermon straight from the heart. Well done Barbara.

We also welcomed for the first time Mary. Her sermon took us on a journey regarding women in the church. The reading Acts 16, 9-15 is about Lydia, a business woman, who is baptised after receiving the Holy Spirit. She then generously welcomes Paul and his companions to her home.

Mary also spoke about Julian of Norwich. Her writings, *the Revelations of Divine Love*, are the earliest surviving English-language works attributed to a woman. We actually don't know her name but she lived in St. Julian's Church in Norwich as an anchoress for most of her life. (An anchoress is someone who lives a solitary and prayer focused life in a small cell type room usually attached to a church.) Her writings are around hope and trust in God's goodness.

Thank you Sharon and Mary and a huge welcome to TCCC.

Hope you enjoy this Summer edition and thank you all for your help and contributions.

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NEWS - EASTER

A look back at our Easter celebration

We celebrated the resurrection of Jesus from the dead at TCCC in two ways

By giving instead of giving up with wonderful donations for the local food bank

And with joyous spirit in our hearts reflected by these amazing bonnets. Thank you Sue for providing us with your wonderful Easter service.



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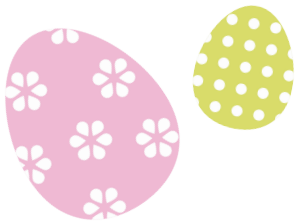
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NEWS - BETTY'S LUNCH



Lovely church lunch at the Tavern

Many of our members came together on Sunday 27th April for a Sunday roast at the Telscombe Tavern.

Big thank you to Betty for organising it!

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NEWS - VE DAY



A look back at our VE day celebration

This is where TCCC really came together and pulled it off! Everyone who came were treated to a fun afternoon and everyone left with a smile on their face.

Betty delighted everyone with her poem and Val did the most amazing quiz. The room went quiet with all the concentration!

Mark played the piano beautifully and everyone had to endure the Seahaven Singers :-)

Everyone LOVED the singalong at the end.

So huge congratulations to our little church that organized a massive thing for our friends and community.



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Seahaven Singers in their second live performance!



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Tea and cake testers :-)



Tom in action!



Church mascot

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FAITH IN FOCUS

CHILDLIKE ADULTS - BY NEIL

He called a little child and had him stand among them. And he said, 'I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the Kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the Kingdom of heaven'. (Matthew 18 verses 2-5)

It always amazes me that after 48 years of attending our wonderful church I still seem to be the baby of the congregation! Well age wise. The verses from Matthew are always intriguing. How can an adult become a child again? We can't yet go back in time, but, we can follow the examples of the child we once were and our children and grandchildren.

Jesus is spelling out the requirements that God asks us to have as his children. Children always have special qualities, that as adults we all tend to lose. A child is innocent and yearns to be guided and taught what is right and wrong. We need to have some of that guidance from time to time and it is God that provides it. A child seeks learning and development. That is what we need to seek, to learn more and to be developed in our Christian knowledge. No matter what the age we all seem to glean new things through our relationship with God. And a child is loving and trusting, a child is always apologetic, especially when not doing the right thing. That's how we should be. Loving, trusting our Father, and seeking forgiveness when we do the wrong thing.

Go to the Lord through the eyes and behaviours of a child and see the rewards you will be given when we meet him face to face in his heavenly Kingdom.

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Here we have some of the contributions from our members!

Read, enjoy and get to know our congregation more - from favourite hymns and bible readings to days out and hobbies. Who knew our hobbies ranged from playing on Nintendo, collecting guitars (yes 35 of them!!!) to meteorology with everything in between. More on page 22.

Petrol pumps and easter eggs by Betty

Years ago if your car needed petrol you would pull up at the pumps. A pump attendant would appear and you would say "fill it up". Once completed they would take the money and return with your change.



Fast forward to now when you have to get out of the car and put your own petrol in, and unless you are at a modern pump where you can use a card and drive straight off you have to go to the payment desk. That is when you find yourself in a "mini supermarket" with the smallest narrowest aisles ever. Not sure if they sell engine oil or windscreen wipers but you can get a cup of hot coffee!!!!

Now, the local one to me last Easter decided to sell Easter eggs, but the only place for them was against the cash desk

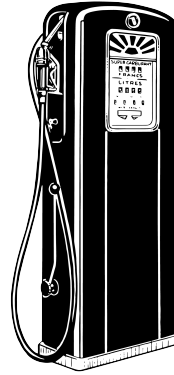
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built like a brick wall. I went in to pay for my petrol, the only customer in the place when I find myself sitting in the small aisle surrounded by squashed chocolate eggs!! Quite how I landed there is still a mystery.

The young man behind the desk came round to help me up - he couldn't have weighed more than about 7 stone but obviously thought he was a weight-lifter (I ask you what chance did he have shifting someone as small and dainty as me?). There were workmen outside who kindly came to my rescue so I paid for my petrol, and the broken eggs and made a rapid escape.

Roll on the day we return to pump attendants!



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Try to be a rainbow
In someone else's cloud.

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Love thy neighbour as
thyself

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Live for today and
Hope for tomorrow

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Our favourite inspirational quotes



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Do all the good you can,
by all the means you can,
in all the ways you can,
in all the places you can,
at all the times you can,
to all the people you can,
as long as ever you can.

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Do unto other as you would
have them do unto you

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”

The past cannot be changed
The future has not arrived
The present is now
Live for today

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Be grateful for what you've
got
Not what other people have

.....

No good turn goes
unpunished!

”

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My knitted frock by Liz

Do you mind the frock my Mammy knitted?

It came down to my knees.

The wool it made my nose tickle,

It made me want to sneeze.

I wore when we went camping.

We looked like a lot of tinkers.

There we were in an open lorry,

The looks we got were stinkers.

We took a carpet and a bed,

Pots and pans and curtains.

And Daddy, mind he wore that suit,

I think he bought it at Burtons.

Every day I wore that frock,

I refused to take it off.

Mammy didn't mind too much,

She thought I looked a toff.

But what a laugh we had one day,

My legs got in a fankle.

The frock had stretched so much,

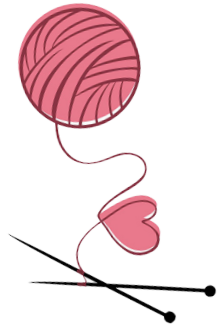
It ended up round my ankle.

We had a lovely holiday,

Despite the mud and cold.

The memories it left us,

Worth far more than gold



Apart from the curtains, it's all true!

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Our favourite hymns



Joint winners!

In Christ alone, my hope is found .. and ..

Amazing grace

Runner ups

How great thou art

Be still in the presence of the lord

Other favourites

Oh Jesus I have promised

One more step along the world I go

And can it be, that I should gain?

Guide me oh though great Jehovah

My song is love unknown

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Make me a channel of your peace

Thine be the glory

How great thou art

Oh happy day

Abide with me

All people that on earth do dwell

Here I am Lord

Jerusalem

The lord is my shepherd

Trust and Obey

I vow to thee my country

Promise my soul the King of Heaven

Angel voices ever singing

All creatures of our God and King

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TCCC top favourite hymn lyrics

In Christ alone, my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter; my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live, I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine

Bought with the precious blood of Christ
No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch; like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

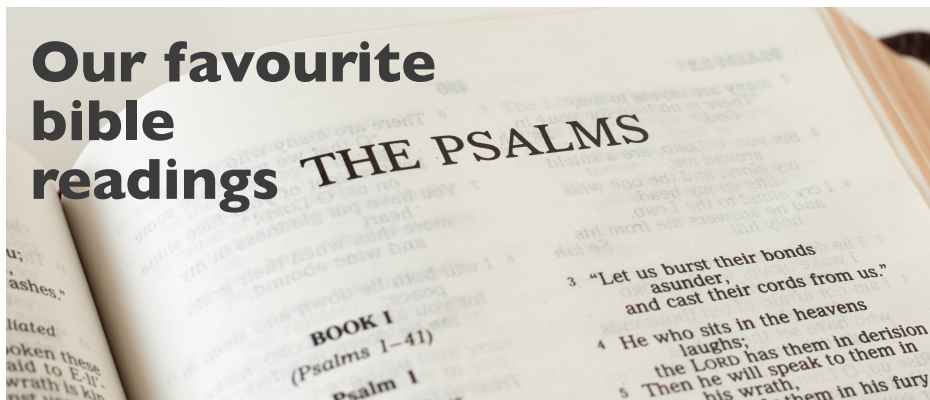
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear;
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

The Lord hath promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand
years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.

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Here are some favourite passages from our congregation. Thank you so much for all your contributions. Have included three in this issue with more next time.

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I Corinthians

13 If I speak in the tongues[a] of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. 2 If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. 3 If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast,[b] but do not have love, I gain nothing.

4 Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5 It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking,

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it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. 7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

8 Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. 9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part, 10 but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. 11 When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. 12 For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

13 And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

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This is Eric and Liz's favourite as its definition of love is the code that we should all live by.

It is also Betty's favourite and was read by her son at her 40th wedding anniversary. That very day they learned that Andrew was seriously ill but with lots of prayers by all his friends and family, Andrew is still with us today.

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Psalm 27 1-3

The Lord is my light and my salvation whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life of whom shall I be afraid?

2 When the wicked advance against me to devour me, it is my enemies and my foes who will stumble and fall.

*3 Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear;
though war break out against me, even then I will be confident.*

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A favourite for a member as “it inspires to always follow God and try to do the right thing, even when things feel like they are against us. Trust in God and we should never be afraid.”

John 3 16

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son.

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A favourite of a few members including Phil and Val.

“It describes the strength of God’s love and the promise of salvation through belief and eternal life” and “inspirational as Jesus was sacrificed so that we might be forgiven.”

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Our Hobbies

How we like to spend our time!

Singing	Filing paperwork!
Reading	Fishing
Jigsaws	Football
Gardening	Sewing and knitting
Watching my wife garden :-)	Painting
Socialising with family & friends	Playing the piano
Collecting guitars!	Tai chi
Crochet	Meditation
Playing Animal crossing on Nintendo	Classic land rovers
Learning French	Meteorology
Model making	Trains
Photography	Farming
Films	Travel
	Walking our dog around our amazing surroundings

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Our favourite local days out

Litlington tea gardens

The Street, Litlington

Open every day apart from Monday

Recommendation of the apricot scones!

Art club

Peacehaven Evangelical Free Church

Every Friday 9.30 - midday

<https://peacehavenartandcraft.weebly.com/>

Bluebell railway

www.bluebell-railway.com/

They do a fabulous dining experience where you eat in the carriages whilst traveling through the countryside

Agatha Christie exhibition

Hasting Museum

<https://www.hmag.org.uk>

Free entry to museum and exhibition until 10 August. It was really interesting!

Seaford museum

Seafront - <https://seafordmuseum.co.uk>

Admission £5.00 Saturday & Sunday

A really interesting place in the Martello Tower no.74. Huge collection of domestic appliances. A fun afternoon!

Toy museum

Trafalgar Street, Brighton £7/8

Apparently one of the World's great toy museums.

Closed Sunday and Monday

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Lin

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Jackie

Liz

Reader rota planner

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DIARY DATES

June

Saturday 21 June

Beetle Drive

6.30 in the church hall

Food, Beetle drive, bingo and a quiz!!

July

Sunday 27 July

Betty's Lunch at the Telscombe Tavern

Join the congregation over the road after the Sunday service.
See Betty for booking.

August

September

Film club

More news to follow regarding film club at TCCC starting this autumn

ROTAS

Preaching timetable for Spring 2025

June

8 June
Roger

15 June
Mark

22 June
Wyn

29 June
Graeme

July

6 July
Peter

13 July
Neil

20 July
Wyn

27 July
Sue

August

3 August
Peter

10 August
Laurie

17 August
Barbara

24 August
Simon

31 August
Graeme

September

7 September
Peter

14 September
Graeme

21 September
Neil

28 September
Mary

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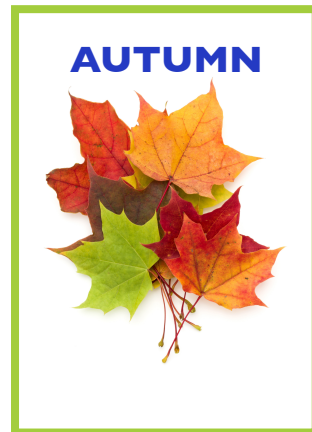
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