

Issue No 69 Sunday 29th April 2018

Services & events this week

Sunday 29th Benefice Service 10 am Charlton -
'Discipleship – an introduction' with a talk by Mary
Thomas from URC

Wednesday 2nd Holy Communion 9.30 am HBT

Wednesday 2nd Holy Communion 10 am Tangley

Thursday 3rd Compline 9.19 pm Charlton

Friday 4th Holy Communion 1.30 pm Weyhill

Friday 4th Holy Communion 2.30 pm Charlton

Services & events next week

Saturday 5th Discipleship – Dip Your Toe Talk 9.30
am Charlton

Tuesday 8th Messy Church 3 – 5 pm Smannell

Wednesday 9th Holy Communion 9.30 am HBT

Wednesday 9th Holy Communion 10 am Tangley

Wednesday 9th Discipleship – Dip Your Toe Talk
7.30 pm Hatherden

Readings This Week

Acts 8 26 – end

Ps 22 25 – end

I John 4. 7 – end

John 15 1 - 8

Next Week

Acts 10 44 – end

Ps 98

I John 5 1 – 6

John 15 9 - 17

In your Prayers please pray for.....

All those who are about to start on their Sat's,
GCSE's, A levels or final exams, may their
revision give them hope for good results.

Our new PCC's, with members old and new may
they value their roles and look forward to
journeying with each other.

Those who are organising summer events, may
their efforts be rewarded, with fine weather and
good turn outs.

Pastrow & Community Diary Dates

Dip Your Toe Talks Saturday 5th May 9.30
Charlton & Wednesday 9th 7.30 pm Hatherden

Going Deeper Talks Saturday 12th May 9.30
Charlton & Wednesday 16th 7.30 pm Hatherden

Saturday 23rd June Morgan Szymanski -
Classical Guitarist Concert Hatherden
Please contact ROSIE SWAYNE on 01264 735357
or email rosie.swayne@btinternet.com for
information and to purchase tickets which are
£15.00 to include wine and refreshments after the
concert.

Saturday 12th May Hatherden Fete at Wildhern
playing field.

Words of Encouragement

By Terry Milne

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two
brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his
brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were
fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will
make you fish for people"

As we start this year of discipleship in the Pastrow
benefice let us think for a moment of those first
disciples of Jesus – simple fishermen working hard to
feed their families – casting their nets into the Sea of
Galilee. Perhaps they were happy with their lives –
perhaps they quite enjoyed not having to think beyond
fish, water and their families. But then along comes this
stranger and said those famous words to them 'Follow
me, and I will make you fish for people'. Something
special about that man made them immediately put away
all that they had known to that time and follow him.
Perhaps without the immediacy of those first called to
follow Jesus we too can be disciples. A dictionary
definition of 'disciple' is 'one who accepts and assists in
the spreading of the doctrines of another'.

Being a disciple of Jesus can be as simple as accepting all
that He told us about how to live our lives. But Jesus
also told his first disciples to go out into the world and
make disciples of all people. We too can do that, not by
standing on the street corner and proclaiming the word
of God but just by living our lives in the way that Jesus
wants us to live – even an imperfect a reflection of Him
in us can be a very powerful way for spreading the good
news of the Gospel.

Please come along on Sunday to the first of a series of
services looking at Discipleship – you never know what
you will learn there.

Notes from Pastrow Admin

Please see the Benefice website for details on
future services and events.