

Sunday 4th October 2020

4pm, Arborfield Green Community Centre



Welcome to Church@TheGreen, a new church for the new community of Arborfield Green established by the existing Churches of Arborfield and Barkham. At the heart of our church family life is a trust in the living God who has revealed himself in Jesus Christ and who still speaks to us through his Word, the Bible.

We are so happy to be back together in person, even if things are a bit different to what we're used to. There is no singing during the service at the moment, but feel free to read and reflect on the words or hum along if you like. If you are visiting us, please fill in a visitor form (for the purposes of track and trace) and do introduce yourself to Piers (Minister) or Phil (Ministry Trainee)

We are continuing our series on the life of Jesus in Matthew's gospel. Piers will be speaking on Matthew 16:5-12 and we will have a family, all-aged, focus based on the passage too.

As we adjust to meeting in person again, please pay attention to the safety measures in place and if you have any questions, do let Piers or Phil know.

WELCOME – Theresa Swan

Matthew 4:4

"Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God."

Song

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood

Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes, apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand

Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

O sing hallelujah!

Our hope springs eternal

O sing hallelujah!

Now and ever we confess

Christ our hope in life and death

O sing hallelujah!...

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Reading – Matthew 16:5-12

⁵ When they went across the lake, the disciples forgot to take bread. ⁶ 'Be careful,' Jesus said to them. 'Be on your guard against the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees.'

⁷ They discussed this among themselves and said, 'It is because we didn't bring any bread.'

⁸ Aware of their discussion, Jesus asked, 'You of little faith, why are you talking among yourselves about having no bread? ⁹ Do you still not understand? Don't you remember the five loaves for the five thousand, and how many basketfuls you gathered? ¹⁰ Or the seven loaves for the four thousand, and how many basketfuls you gathered? ¹¹ How is it you don't understand that I was not talking to you about bread? But be on your guard against the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees.' ¹² Then they understood that he was not telling them to guard against the yeast used in bread, but against the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees.

Sermon – Piers Bickersteth

Creed

**Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he was buried;
he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers,
and to all the apostles;
this we have received, and this we
believe.**

Prayers

Family Focus

Song

What love could remember no wrongs we have
done
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Praise the Lord
His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father, so tender, is calling us home

He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the
poor
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Praise the Lord...

What riches of kindness he lavished on us
His blood was the payment, His life was the
cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never
afford

Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Praise the Lord...

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maintain spacing as we leave the building. Please head to the car
park promptly to avoid blocking any walkways**

Please take your service sheet home with you

Thank you!

SERMON NOTES

Stay alert

Attitude to avoid – complacency

Attitude to adopt – be on guard

Listen to Jesus

Attitude to avoid – starvation

Attitude to adopt -learner for life

Matthew 11:28-29

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.”

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