

## Church Family Newsletter 18<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Dear Church Family,

The last few months I think have clearly reminded us again that there is something seriously wrong with our world. This week we are going to think about the origins of that problem as we look at humanity's fall from God, remembering each of us fall short of God's good ways. And yet even in the saddest moment of humanity's past, we have hope. We had hope then, and we have hope now, because God has not abandoned his people and not abandoned us!

When we talk about becoming who we were made to be, I think it is clear that we were made for more than this.

### This Sunday Hope Despite Broken Relationships Genesis 3

9:30am Morning Prayer, Frant  
11:15am Holy Communion, Eridge  
5:00pm Festival Church, Rectory Field

### Festival Church (Free) Tickets...

For track and trace you can sign up for tickets (please book this week again if you did before), however **from now on** we will keep your details so you don't need to sign up for tickets every week – you will only need to sign up this time to attend this Autumn.

**Adults sign up here:**

<https://frantchurch.churchsuite.com/events/qmrdgfhx>

(You can turn up, but it saves time on the day to have given your details already)

If your child booked tickets last week, there is **no need** to get tickets again. Your child is on our list, and can keep coming.

If your child did **not** come last week please click here for tickets and sign up with details:

<https://frantchurch.churchsuite.com/events/gzl4xaуз>

### Youth and Children

Youth and Children's work has started to get off the ground again following the summer holidays. Encounter Hubs are back and all will have started by next week, continuing our Youth Alpha programme which explores life's biggest questions in a fun and relevant way. We are also continuing our online virtual assemblies for Frant Primary School each week, which is vital for us in order to keep connected with the school and for us to explore the Bible with them.

Sunday 13th Sept was our first outdoor Festival Church. We had 13 children join us to dive into the Bible around a campfire, make woodland crafts, climb trees and explore God's creation in the woods. We had great feedback and are expecting up to 20 children this week. To come, just sign up for tickets via the newsletter. If you are Encounter Youth age, why not aim to sit together in the main service, it's a great way to meet up and keep exploring the Bible together.

Please keep all these activities in your prayers.

# Annual Church Meeting

## Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October 8pm

### Frant Church

As you may have been aware our Annual Church Meeting (APCM) did not happen due to coronavirus. We do though legally need to have one before the end of October, and it will be at Frant Church 8pm Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October... and the same Covid provisions (like masks being worn and social distancing) apply at the meeting as at services.

Obviously, it may not be possible to get everyone on the electoral roll in, also some might not feel comfortable to join us with Covid.

It is not legally possible to conduct this meeting over the internet. Therefore, I want to assure you that we will do everything we can to share all reports by email with everyone in advance and we will also welcome responses with any questions to us in advance, so that we can address any such questions with everyone before the APCM. This is so that everyone can be aware of what the church is doing and how it is run.

This will hopefully enable the smooth and transparent running of the APCM this year.

I hope that makes sense, obviously this is a very unique situation and our next Annual meeting will be only 6 months later in April!

## Share for Prayer

We continue to remember **Anne Pybus** in our thoughts and prayers. We pray that Anne will know that God is with her in all that she is going through, both now and in the days and weeks ahead.

Also, we remember still the **family and friends of Peggy Sargent**, who died on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2020. May they know God's peace and comfort in their time of loss.

Also, for **Annette Carruthers**, who has been in hospital, but is now in respite. She really appreciates all the very kind calls and messages she has received, and although she is finding it difficult to respond, to all of them, however she really does appreciate receiving them. We pray for healing, that God would take away discomfort, and to continue to encourage her in her faith.

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Every blessing,

-Rev Brendan