

Sunday 10th June 1st SUNDAY after TRINITY

- 08.00 Holy Communion (*Book of Common Prayer 1662*) [S]
09.15 Parish Eucharist [S]
11.00 Parish Eucharist and Thanksgiving for the Ministry of Robin Turner [LB]
16.00 Messy Church [St Andrew's, Little Baddow]
18.30 United Evening Worship [LB- URC]

Monday 11th

- 09.00 Celtic Morning Prayer [St Andrew's Chapel, Little Baddow]

Tuesday 12th

- 09.15 Holy Communion [S]

Wednesday 13th

- 09.00 Celtic Morning Prayer [St Andrew's, Sandon]

Thursday 14th

- 08.30 Chelmer Crouch Group Morning Prayer [S]
10.00 Holy Communion [Spring Cottage, Colam Lane, Little Baddow]

Sunday 17th June 2nd SUNDAY after TRINITY

Father's Day

- 08.00 Holy Communion (*Book of Common Prayer 1662*) [LB]
09.15 Family Service [LB]
11.00 Messy Church [S]

Christ Church Concerts

NIGEL OGDEN

'THE ORGANIST ENTERTAINS'

Saturday, 16th June 2012

7.30pm

Christ Church URC

New London Road, Chelmsford

Tickets: £8

available from Christ Church Bookings

01245 354529 or 01245 440526

ESSEX POLICE CHOIR CONCERT

at St Andrew's, Sandon

Saturday 14th July @ 7.30pm

Tickets £10.00 (+Wine +nibbles)

Available from Michael (222066) Janet (472997)

Christine (281305) and Clive (243863)

Gospel Choir

Everyone's Welcome

Monday 18th June @ 8pm

St Andrew's Sandon

Pints of View

Men's Discussion Night

Monday 25th June @ 8pm

In The Generals, Little Baddow



**St Mary the Virgin,
Little Baddow**

www.littlebaddowchurches.org.uk

St. Andrew, Sandon

www.sandon-church.info

*part of the
Chelmer-Crouch Group Ministry*

**1st SUNDAY after TRINITY
10th June 2012**

*"Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister
and mother."
(Mark 3:35)*

**A warm welcome is extended to all
visitors.**

*Coffee, tea, squash and biscuits are normally
served after the main morning Service [in Church
at St Mary's Church and in The St Andrew's Room
at St Andrew's Church].*

Please stay and meet people

All communicant members of Christian Churches are invited to receive communion. Those who do not wish to receive communion are invited to come forward for a blessing, at the Altar rail.

Those communicants requiring **gluten-free wafers** are asked to identify themselves to a Sides person.

For 5 minutes

*before the Service begins PLEASE allow others to keep
a time of prayerful quiet in preparation to worship
our Lord Jesus Christ. Thank you.*

Collect

O God,
the strength of all those who put their trust in you,
mercifully accept our prayers
and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature
we can do no good thing without you,
grant us the help of your grace,
that in the keeping of your commandments
we may please you both in will and deed;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

1 Samuel 8:4-11 [12-15] 16-20 [11, 14-15]

God's people reject his kingship by demanding an earthly king, despite Samuel's warnings about the consequences. God instructs the prophet to accept their will. Saul is confirmed as king.

4 Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, ⁵and said to him, 'You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.' ⁶But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, 'Give us a king to govern us.' Samuel prayed to the LORD, ⁷and the LORD said to Samuel, 'Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. ⁸Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. ⁹Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.'

10 So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. ¹¹He said, 'These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; ¹²and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plough his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. ¹³He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. ¹⁴He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. ¹⁵He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers.] ¹⁶He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. ¹⁷He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. ¹⁸And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day.'

19 But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, 'No! but we are determined to have a king over us, ²⁰so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.' [¹¹He said, 'These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; ¹⁴He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. ¹⁵He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers.]

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 4:13 – 5:1

Amidst life's troubles, Paul encourages Christians to set their hopes on their eternal heavenly home: God, who raised Jesus from the dead, will raise his people into his glorious presence.

13 But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—'I believed, and so I spoke'—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes,

everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

16 So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

5 For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Gospel

Mark 3:20-35

Jesus refutes both his family's desire to take him in hand and the religious authorities' accusations that he is demon-possessed. Those who attribute Jesus' healing power to Satan rather than the Holy Spirit are rejecting God's kingdom.

²⁰and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

28 'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin'— ³⁰for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'

31 Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' ³³And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

Prayer after Communion

Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts:

may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing

As you leave this place to walk on in faith, may the power of the Father hold you, may the love of the Son encourage you, and may the wisdom of the Spirit guide you day by day.

And the blessing of God almighty...✠