



WELCOME

SUNDAY 3rd September 2017

DETAILS OF WORSHIP

'Rejoicing and Singing as we share the Faith'

Led by Sheila

Opening Sentences – verses from the Psalms

Hymn: R&S 74 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Prayer and Lord's Prayer: Sheila

Introduction - Music within Worship - Ruth Micklem words: Chris

Reading: Isaiah 42 v10-12 Coretha McCreery

Hymn: R&S 111 (tune R&S 485) In praise of God meet duty and delight

Reading: Psalm 139 v1, 2, 13-16 Derek Nuttall

Hymn: R&S 294 Come down O Love Divine

Chat with Derek Thorogood

Hymn: R&S 414 When in our music God is glorified

Comment – other ideas that we can use to enhance Worship: Sheila

Hymn: R&S 635 Put Peace into each other's hands

Prayers of Intercession: Kath

Offertory

Choir: StF 684 Here on the threshold of a new beginning *(The words are on the back this sheet. Please join in verse 3.)*

Hymn: R&S 599 Christ for the world we sing

*'May the God of peace go with us, as we travel from this place
May the love of Jesus keep us, firm in hope and full of grace.'*

The Grace said together

'Go now in Peace'

TODAY: 10:30am Morning Worship

Worship Leader: The Choir

Musician: Norman Wood

Welcomers: James Walton (door &
Wendy Twigg (inside)

Duty Trustee: Carole Marchant

Readers: Coretha McCreedy & Derek Nuttall

NEXT SUNDAY: 10:30am Morning Worship

Worship Leader: Amanda Roper

Musician: Derek Thorogood

Welcomers: Clare Warren (door) &
John Leng (inside)

Duty Trustee: Norman Wood

Readers: James Walton & Lucy Walton

Communion Trustee: Jeremy Hallett

Communion Ushers: John Harriyott & John Lane

Thank you to ...

Sue Wood for providing and arranging today's flowers.

James Walton for providing today's refreshments.

Announcements

REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS: In the main entrance to Cornerstone you will find a prayer sheet. If you wish to have a prayer included in the service for someone you know who is in need, please indicate this on the sheet. This will be handed to the preacher before the service.

SONGS OF PRAISE:

Sunday 3rd September at Cornerstone 3:00pm - Come and raise the roof, sing your heart out, rejoice and give praise at the Cornerstone Songs of Praise Service. We will celebrate the rich variety of Christian songs and hymns, with simple readings and reflections. Put the date in your diary.



SKITTLES NIGHT:

Saturday 16th September - 7:00pm to 10:00pm



Enjoy an evening of entertainment with food, drinks and the traditional game of skittles. Please put your name on the list in the hall as you have refreshments following the service.

FOODBANK DONATIONS: If you are able to donate any items for the Uckfield Foodbank please place them in the box provided in the vestibule. At present urgently required items include: Sponge pudding, custard, rice pudding, tinned potatoes, instant potato, snack bars, biscuits & jam.



Here on the threshold of a new beginning,
by grace forgiven, now we leave behind
our long-repenting selfishness and sinning,
and all our blessings call again to mind:
Christ to redeem us, ransom and restore us,
the love that holds us in a Saviour's care,
faith strong to welcome all that lies before us,
our unknown future, knowing God is there.

May we, your children, feel with Christ's compassion
an earth disordered, hungry and in pain;
then, at your calling, find the will to fashion
new ways where freedom, truth and justice reign;
where wars are ended, ancient wrongs are righted,
and nations value human life and worth;
where in the darkness lamps of hope are lighted
and Christ is honoured over all the earth.

**So may your wisdom shine from Scripture's pages
to mould and make us stones with which to build
God's holy temple, through eternal ages,
one church united, strong and Spirit-filled;
heirs to the fullness of your new creation,
in faith we follow, pledged to be your own;
yours is the future, ours the celebration,
for Christ is risen! God is on the throne!**

An introduction to our service thoughts.

Music plays a big part in many of our lives – making music, or singing, going to concerts and musical shows. That often changes as we grow older. Think of all the pop groups we enjoyed many years ago, and now we cannot understand how we did! In the same way music is an important part of church life. We have grown up learning choruses with actions, and moved onto more serious hymns within worship. Music can enhance worship by helping create an atmosphere of peace away from the hustle and bustle of life, or can make praise more meaningful with rousing hymn tunes. As varied as the music outside of church, church music itself has changed over the centuries, and much of that is due to so many different composers and musicians who make it their gift to God, and share that gift with each one of us. Regular musicians who accompany our hymn singing each Sunday are so important, and one of the group we are lucky to have sharing music making here at Cornerstone is Derek Thorogood. He has been involved with church music, both here and at other churches, for a good part of his life, and we shall hear a little more of that later.

Derek writes in the church magazine regularly about hymn writers and church musicians, and one such is Erik Routley. Erik led a choir at Oxford and one of his members, Ruth Micklem, wrote:

We were being taken on by him in a joint enterprise in which we were all the instruments by which God was making known his joy, his praise, his promises. I found that I was singing not because of pride in my own ability, but because in our hands lay the opportunity to do something for other people which would tell them something about God; there at that moment, we were proclaiming the creator who had made us what we were. In Mansfield our singing, and all the music, particularly Erik's voluntaries...were trying to use what powers we had to express something about God; we were making an attempt to pay back to him at least a shadow of an acknowledgement of our awareness of what he is like. It had to be, musically, the very best we could do.

We hope that we are carrying on that aim here at Cornerstone in our music, in the best way we can, to make music part of the Worship, giving praise and thanks for all God's goodness to us all.

