

Readings:	Ecclesiasticus : 10: 12 – 18
	<i>Psalm</i> 112
	Hebrews 13: 1 - 8 15, 16
	St Luke 14: 1, 7 - 14

Services and Meetings this week

St John the Baptist, Sedlescombe	St Mary Magdalene, Whatlington
Sunday 13 [2]	Trinity 13 [2]
10am Parish Communion Junior & Youth Church	8.30am Parish Communion
Please note that the Church is closed from 8am every day until the evening for everyone to be able to spend a little peaceful time away from the rush of daily life in prayer or just in quiet reflection;	
Sunday 14 [9]	Trinity 14 [9]
10am Parish Communion United Benefice of Sedlescombe with Whatlington] Junior and Youth Church 10am New Beginnings	10.30am Family Service

Chapel Hill Church – United Reformed

Sunday 2nd	10.30am Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Melvin Nolan
Thursday 4th	2.30pm Home Group at 15 Gorselands
Tuesday 5th	Coffee Morning 10.30am - 12 noon in the Meeting Room
Sunday 9th	10.30am Morning Worship led by Mike and Judith Welch

Short Mat Bowls - commencing on Tuesday (11th) Short Mat Bowls will be held in the Village Hall each Tuesday and Thursday starting at 2.15pm. We are looking to increase the membership and although we are competitive, the social ambiance has ensured that the club is successful and there are as many lady members as men. We now have 3 mats for play, there are spare sets of Bowls for practice and all you need to bring is a pair of flat-soled shoes. There is no charge for the first session. For further information please contact any of the following:- Colin Clark (871441), Bob Harris (871415) or Don Ebdy (870613).

‘What does the Bible say about poverty?’ Chapel Hill Church (URC) is beginning a 6-part study on Tuesdays (starting 4th September) at 2.30pm at 15 Gorselands - you are invited to join us. Please let Margaret know (870431) if you would like to take part so that the study booklet will be available for you.

Friendship Club - Extend

Extend is a social event for older people the aim of which is to try and improve fitness and thus, quality of life. The first session will be held in the Chapel Hall of Chapel Hill Church on Wednesday (19th) from 11.30am – 12.50pm. If you need a lift there will be a minibus picking up from where the Library vehicle parks (near to the Surgery) at about 11.20am with a return to that spot when the session is over. Tea and coffee will be provided and at present there is no charge for the session or the transport. Our thanks to the Secretary of the Chapel for the facility of the room and to the management of Pestalozzi for providing the minibus and driver.

Bonus Ball - subscriptions for September (£5) are now due please. There are 2 numbers available if you would like to help support our Parish Church and possibly win £25 - please contact me on 870533. *Rosemary*

New Beginnings - is a short (half-hour) time of Christian worship. It is, if you like, a different way of ‘doing church’ and takes place on the first Sunday of each month in the School Hall from 11.30am to 12 noon followed by tea and coffee. All are welcome but it is especially suitable for young families and for those who do not feel entirely at home in the usual church service. Children can be actively involved in the service if they wish and can play percussion instruments during the songs. On Sunday 9th September (for September only) ‘New Beginnings’ will be held in the Parish Church of St John the Baptist. It will be at the usual time of 11.30am taking the same form as always - we shall be back at the School Hall on October 7th. Please come and give ‘New Beginnings’ a try, we would be very pleased to see you whatever your age. *Helen*

Sedlescombe Churchyard the Churchwardens kindly ask everyone who tends the graves of departed loved ones to place compostible material on the compost heap at the north-east end of the churchyard and to take dead flowers/stems home with them as we now have no means of disposal of these items on site – thank you..

Gardeners' Hymn

ings bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small
ings wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all
hat we never mention, though gardeners know it's true
en he made the goodies, he made the baddies too
ings spray and swat-able, disasters great and small
ings paraquatable, the Lord God made them all
greenfly on the roses, the maggots in the peas
ure that fills the noses, He gave us all of these
fungus in the goose-gogs, the club roots on the greens
slugs that eat the lettuce and chew the aubergines
drought that kills the fuchsias, the frost that nips the buds
rain that drowns the seedlings, the blight that hits the spuds
midges and mosquitoes, the nettles and the weeds
pigeons in the green stuff, the sparrows in the seeds
fly that gets the carrots, the wasp that eats the plums
black the gardener's outlook though green may be his
hbs
still we gardeners labour, midst vegetable and flowers
pray what hits our neighbours, will somehow by-pass ours

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Wisdom ...

Some people would say that because we don't know, it can't be. I would say that because we don't know, we don't know.

(Physicist – Charles Townes)

Brede High Woods - an update

The campaign to raise the £1.8 million which is needed by the end of September to enable the Woodlands Trust to purchase the 650 acre area is going well. The Trust and its supporters believe that the acquisition is vital to the rural nature of the area around us. Of the £100,000 targetted for the immediate locality, about £60,000 has either been received or pledged - please keep the pledges coming in. The possible sale of the area in small plots for an uncertain future is unthinkable. If you want further information please call at 12 Park Shaw – I will be happy to explain and provide a pledge form. The forms are also available at the Post Office - thank you. *Ted Cornford*

Reminders for next week ...

Sedlescombe Theatre Club - the coach for the trip to Canterbury on Tuesday (4th) to see Tom Conti in "Romantic Comedy" leaves the Green at 5.30pm – if in any doubt, 'phone Shirley on 870517

Sedlescombe & District Garden Society - the coach for the outing to Lullingstone Castle and Chartwell on Thursday (6th) will leave the Green at 8.30am; don't forget to bring your National Trust cards for Chartwell; if there are any queries, please contact Pat or Jo.

Thursday Club - there will be the return of an old friend on Thursday (6th) when Ken Brooks talks about 'Hastings in Wartime' in Committee Room 2 of the Village Hall from 10.00 – 12 noon.

Sedlescombe Parish Church - Mini-market - the Mini-market arranged for Thursday (6th) has been cancelled; the next one will be held on Thursday 4th October - see you then! *Peggy and Daphne*