

Littlehampton United Church

Suumer Newsletter



Greetings

We are having a Heatwave! Something that once happened now and again, but in recent years, occurs frequently, with ever more risks as records are broken for the highest temperatures. Of course, in my youth, summers were always fine—perhaps I just don't remember the wet ones? A view shared by the author T H White who wrote:

“It was July, and real July weather, such as they only had in old England. Everyone went bright brown, with startling teeth and flashing eyes” * Nowadays we use sun-cream, take care to cover our heads and advise people to avoid too much sun.

Psalm 121, possibly written by 600BC underlines the strength of the sun with the words:

“The Lord is your keeper,

The Lord is your shade at your right hand.

The Sun shall not smite thee by day, or the moon by night”

Lets enjoy the fine weather as best we can, while staying safe, helping our neighbours, and trusting in God. *“The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time and for evermore”*

From Chris Azzaro

* T H White *“The Once and Future King”* - probably better known from the Disney film *“The Sword in the Stone”*.

Dates for your diary

Sunday 7th August Church Anniversary (161st) Worship to be led by Rev Simon Franklin.

A buffet lunch will follow the service. Please let me know if you would like to join this. There will be a signing up sheet in church after the Friday and Sunday services until 31st July.

1st October URC 50th Anniversary - Our local event will probably be held on 7th or 8th October.

News of the Family

We were sad to learn of the death of Mary Newnham last week. Mary had been in hospital for some time. She has asked that her body be given for Medical research. There will be a short Thanksgiving service on Friday 22nd July at 11.00am. Mary was one of our regular worshippers at the Friday service and her family thought it fitting that we remember her in this way.

Alison is home from hospital following a successful operation but recovery will be slow.

Norman Redington is recovering well.

Please remember the family of Mary Newnham in your prayers and all who need healing at this time.

If you have information or news concerning church members, please pass it on to John Stevens who will see that it is circulated so that they be included in our prayers.

Leaders of Sunday morning Worship in July/August

Sunday 17th July	Rev Naison Hove	Tea/Coffee will be served after the
Sunday 24th July	Lynne James	morning service, from the rear of the
Sunday 31st July	Rev Kenneth Lynch	Church
Sunday 7th August	Rev Simon Franklin	Sunday 14th August Chris Azzaro
Sunday 21st August	Nigel Stapley	Sunday 28th August Rev Naison Hove Followed by a Church Meeting

Friday mornings at 11.00am

22nd July	Naison Hove	29th July	Chris Azzaro
5th August	Nigel Stapley	12th August	Chris Azzaro
19th August	Rev Norman Croft	26th August	Chris Azzaro

Tea/Coffee and an opportunity to chat follows the Friday service.

Remember to keep yourself and others safe in church

There are still new covid cases in Arun so we still need to be very careful when we meet together.

Wearing a mask or visor is not compulsory but we think it safer if you do,

Do not come to church if you are feeling unwell