



The Good
Shepherd
Four Marks

www.goodshepherdfourmarks.org.uk

Our church diary is available to view
on the website

25th August 2019

Next Sunday

1 service
sunday

11am 1st September

On Sunday 1st September, we invite all our regular congregations to join us at 11am for our 1 Service Sunday. This is a service for all ages, with children included with the adults.

Following the service we will gather at Four Marks Recreation Ground for a picnic. Please bring your lunch with you and join us.

A single service for the whole church family.



Flyjesus

Jesus calls, will u follow.

Tina Picked up from social media:
"There's a plane flying over Boomtown with a flag saying Jesus calls, will u follow. Honestly, I think I need Jesus."

Upcoming flights: Leeds, Reading and Creamfields Festivals. Blackpool, North Wales and Cornwall beaches. Thank you to those who prayed. It was a miracle they were able to do Boomtown with great results! Please pray for weather especially for beaches this week!

Pray for the message to jump off the banner into hearts.



COGS Club Request

Please can anyone lend 1pt mixing bowls for baking at COGS Club. I will collect if you are unable to leave in the church porch. Thank you.

Elaine K-S (01420 564247)

The Week Ahead

Sunday 25th August

Great Psalms | Longing for God

Psalms 42:1-11 & Mark 1:14-20

8am - Said Communion

9.30am - All Age Communion Service

7pm - Celebration service

Monday 26th August | Office Closed

1pm - Wedding in the church

Tuesday 27th August

7am - Early Morning Prayer

Wednesday 28th August

9.30am - 2pm - COGS Club

Thursday 29th August

9.30am - 2pm - COGS Club

Friday 30th August

8am - Prayer in the chapel

9.30am - 12noon - COGS Club (followed by family picnic)

Sunday 1st September

Great Psalms | Stand and Know God

Psalms 46:1-11 & Mark 4:35-41

11am - 1 Service Sunday

(Followed by a picnic at the rec)



Caring in Prayer

New/Updated

COGS Club – Pray for the children who will join us this week and for the team. Pray for safety, fun, relationships and for God's presence with us as we share him with those who may not know him.

Soul Survivor – Pray for those who have returned from Soul Survivor. Pray their experience with God while they were away to have lasting impact.

1 Service Sunday – Pray for our 1 Service Sunday at 11am, 1st September. Pray for unity and fellowship as the congregations gather as one

Continuing

Holiday at Home – Give thanks for the success of last week's holiday at home, for the guests who came and volunteers who made it happen. Pray for deepening relationships, for changing perspectives, and for God to draw people closer to him.

Summer – Pray for enjoyment, refreshment and blessing for those enjoying holiday this summer.

Doreen – Thank the Lord for Doreen's admission to hospital. Pray that the Lord will direct everyone concerned with her care and give her infection-free healing.

William – He is now home again. Thank the Lord for the further healing. And also thank the Lord for his care of the family and pray that the Lord will continue his healing with William.

Carmen – Pray for Carmen who is starting breast cancer treatment. Please pray for peace, strength and healing

We do not take offerings at our services. Our preferred method of financial giving to continue the excellent work of Church is via Standing Order. Please contact the Church Office or our Treasurer, David Craigen (01420 564152 or davidacraigen@gmail.com) for more details or pick up a Standing Order Mandate at the back of the church. If you wish to make cash or cheque donations, please place in the receptacle. If you wish to donate online, these are our account details:

Giving

Acc No: 60003685. Sort Code: 60-01-13. Many thanks for your generosity.



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Join our team this summer!
28th—30th August
Contact Lorna: lorna.cogs@gmail.com
Team need to be available from 8.30am—2pm

**COGS CLUB**

Registration Cards are available in the porch

We're planning to do some junk modelling at COGS Club this year and would love to make use of your unwanted boxes / tubes / pots / plastic or anything else you have that a creative mind might be able to reimagine as something awesome!

Due to limited storage, we would be so grateful if you're able to save any 'junk' and bring it to church between the 25th – 27th August. Or, if keeping hold of it is not possible, we can store a small amount at church. Thank you so much!"

The annual Ride & Stride event round the parishes is on Saturday 14 September. I have information on Churches open, etc. We need a volunteer to coordinate the event for COGS. Would anybody able to do this please contact me at 01420 564247 or by email c.kingsmith@btinternet.com

The Bitter and The Sweet

Alton Maltings, Carmichael Room
Maltings Close, Alton, GU34 1DT

Saturday 28th September
10am – 5pm **Free entry**

An exhibition in art and textiles

Helen Jesty
Becky Shaylor

Enquiries: 07818 018543

FOUR MARKS
FEST

Early Bird Tickets discount available

Four Marks Family Music Festival
Saturday 7 September
2-10pm

Live Bands | Food | Bars | Stalls | Crafts
Inflatables | Kids Activities | Local Clubs

£10 Adult | £5 Teen | Under 12s FREE

Buy tickets now at fompta.co.uk
or from Roads Butchers and Catkin & Pussywillow Florists

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Vacancies @ the King's Arms

Youth Worker - Co-ordinator for Special Needs

Fixed-term contract until 31st
March 2021 (extension subject to
funding)

17 hours per week all year around
The deadline for applications is
**Wednesday 28th August 2019 at
12pm.**

Office Manager

Fixed-term contract until 30th
September 2020 (extension
subject to funding)

15 hours per week all year around
The deadline for applications is
**Tuesday 3rd September 2019 at
12pm.**

Volunteer Interns/ Gap year

Required from 1st October 2019 to
31st August 2019

Package by negotiation to meet
individual requirements

The deadline for applications is
Friday 30th August 2019 at 12pm.

For more information, job
description and how to apply
please contact Caroline at The

King's Arms

Tel: 01730 231292

E-mail

Caroline@thekingsarms.org.uk

More details @

[www.thekingsarms.org.uk/
vacancies.html](http://www.thekingsarms.org.uk/vacancies.html)

Small Group notes for 25th August

Longing for God | Great Psalms

Read Psalms 42 & 43

Psalm 42 and Psalm 43 were almost certainly once a single composition written by a Musician appointed by King Solomon or King David to lead worship in the Temple. Like virtually all the psalms they were written to be heard, often sung, by all participants. Putting them in that context raises the question: What is the psalmist's intention? What effect is he expecting?

- Do you find these Psalm(s) in any way surprising?
- What questions are they asking of your faith?

The idea that we have a 'soul' might seem very far-fetched in the year 2019, to both Christians and non-Christians alike. That we might discern an inner voice might sound stranger still – that is unless we understand that our needs (spiritual and physical) can – indeed must – 'speak' to us.

- How important is believe in a 'soul'?
 - Have you experienced deep 'longing'; what can you say about it?
- It's pretty clear the psalmist has sometimes struggled to keep faith.

- How important is it to acknowledge these struggles; how difficult is it to speak of them?

Read Mark 1:14-20

When Simon and Andrew and James and John first encountered Jesus, they came to him without hesitation and stayed. When they 'heard' him was he addressing their conscious minds – engaging them in logical argument? Was he engaging with a romantic side of their natures to persuade them to leave their families and 'give-up' their lively-hoods?

- What was it in these first disciples that Jesus was appealing to?
- What is a 'calling'?

In the days ahead: Pray for constancy in faith in your life. Ask God to stir-up your longing, your deep desire to live in the peace of Creation. Ask to be bound closer to 'him' and to our church family as a whole. Ask to bring joy and unity into the lives of others, of all our neighbours. Amen

Amen Christmas Shoe Boxes

Thank you for all, who so kindly 'shared their love in action' last year by preparing a Christmas Shoe Box Gift. Soon we will be refocusing on this year's shoe boxes. Please would you retain or resource any standard shoe boxes and place them on the pigeonholes at the back of church from September to help others. Many thanks. Di Loosemore. 07912630088

PRAYER and PASTORAL REQUESTS

If you have any prayer requests for the prayer chain, please email or ring the Church Office on 01420 560622, Alan Thain (01420 85185), or Howard Wright on 01420 563344.

If it would be helpful for a member of the pastoral visiting team to call on you, please contact Howard, Debbie Norgate (01420 84534) or Gilly Cobb (01420 544404).



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Send Sunday Sheet items to the church office before end of day on Thursday



Everyone is welcome to join us for a chat and tea/coffee **between** morning services or **before** the 7pm service

For communion, gluten-free wafers are available and there is a chalice with non-alcoholic wine. Please ask when you come forward if you would like to take these.

**MISSION OF THE MONTH -
August**



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