

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, HAMBLEDON

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1969  
October

Sat. 4: Decoration of Church for Harvest Services.

Sun. 5: HARVEST FESTIVAL - Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Holy Communion 8.0 a.m. & 12 noon

Children's Church 10.0 a.m.

(Harvest Gifts brought by children)

Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.

Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m.

Preacher at 10.0 a.m. & 11.0 a.m., Bishop St.

J. Spike, D.D., Assistant Bishop of  
Guildford.

The Church Coach leaves Hydestile Cross-roads  
at 6.0 p.m., and Lane End 6.10 p.m., for  
evening service.

Thu. 9: Harvest Supper in Village Hall 7.30 p.m.

Sun. 12: NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion 8.0 a.m.

Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.

Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m.

Tue. 14: School Managers meet at 3.0 p.m.  
(revised date).

Sun. 19: TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion 8.0 a.m.

Children's Church 10.0 a.m.

Visit from King Edward's School.

Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.

Evening Prayer & Holy Comm<sup>n</sup>. 6.30 p.m.

Tue. 21: Devotional Bible Study -

Rectory 8.15 p.m.

"Calling Him Master and Lord" I -

by Gordon S. Humphreys Esq., M.A.

Thu. 23: Women's Fellowship at Beech Hill, 3 p.m.

Sun. 26: TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion	8.0 a.m.
Family Communion	10.0 a.m.
Morning Prayer	11.0 a.m.
Evening Prayer	6.30 p.m.

Thu. 30: Bring-and-Buy Sale and Coffee Morning  
at "Dennys", Cricket Green, in aid  
of Women's Action (C.P.A.S.) 10.30 a.m.

November

Sat. 1: All Saints.

Sun. 2: TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion	8.0 a.m. & 12.0 noon
Children's Church	10.0 a.m.
Morning Prayer	11.0 a.m.
Evening Prayer	6.30 p.m.
Church Coach leaves Hydestile Cross-roads 6.0 p.m., and Lane End 6.10 p.m., for evening service.	

Tue. 4: Devotional Bible Study at Heath Cottage  
at 8.15 p.m., "Calling Him Master and  
Lord" - Gordon S. Humphreys Esq., M.A.

Sat. 8: "Synodical Government and the P.C.C."  
Conference at St. Saviour's Hall,  
Guildford (see notes).

Sun. 9: REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY - Twenty-third Sunday  
after Trinity

Holy Communion	8.0 a.m.
REMEMBRANCE SERVICE	10.50 a.m.
Evening Prayer	6.30 p.m.

Offerings - Earl Haig's Fund.

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### CHURCH FLOWERS

Grateful thanks to all who so kindly provide and arrange the flowers in Church. The following have promised to be responsible for the October Sundays:-

<u>Oct. 5:</u>	Harvest Festival	<u>Oct. 19:</u>	Mrs. A. Secrett.
	decorators.		
<u>Oct. 12:</u>	Mrs. Wieler.	<u>Oct. 26:</u>	Miss F. Denny.

### FREE-WILL OFFERING ENVELOPES

Total for August 1969 - £29.4.5.

### NOTES AND NEWS

The Church Fellowship. This meets on the second Thursday, during the winter months, in the Village Hall at 8.0 p.m., and once again we are arranging a varied and interesting programme. All members of our Church and their friends are warmly invited to attend the meetings. There is no membership fee. The cost of hire of the hall is paid by the Parochial Church Council, and other expenses are covered by the small charge (6d.) which is made for tea and biscuits during the meetings. We are most grateful to all who take part in the meetings, and to the ladies who kindly prepare and serve the refreshments.

The programme for the session will be produced shortly.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13th, at 8.0 p.m., Village Hall. C. KAHN ESQ., of Malthouse, Hambledon, will show transparencies taken during his visits abroad. Mr. Kahn has some excellent photographs and will include ones he has taken in New Zealand and also Africa. We very much look forward to his evening.



Harvest Supper. The second Thursday in October (9th). We are most grateful to the committee which has been making plans for this event. Admission will be by ticket (7/6) obtainable from Mrs. T. Grille, Biffins, or Mrs. R. Williams, Bernonde. Forms for application were included in the September magazine.

Women's Fellowship. Meetings re-commence on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23rd, at Beech Hill, at 3.0 p.m.

Devotional Bible Studies - Fortnightly on Tuesdays at 8.15 p.m.

FOUR STUDIES - "CALLING HIM MASTER AND LORD"

by GORDON S. HUMPHREYS ESQ., M.A.

Tuesday, October 21st, at The Rectory.

Tuesday, November 4th, at Heath Cottage.

Tuesday, November 18th, at Tigbourne Court.

Tuesday, December 2nd, at Ellingsons.

FOUR STUDIES - "OUR REASONABLE SERVICE"

by DR. JACK SYMONDS, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Tuesday, January 13th, at The Rectory.

Tuesday, January 27th, at The Rectory.

Tuesday, February 10th, at The Rectory.

Tuesday, February 24th, at The Rectory.

Tuesdays March 10th and 24th, details later.

Acknowledgment. We thank MR. MULLARD of Witley for kindly giving us a Notice Board indicating "No Parking" at the turning space in the new car park opposite the church. We are very grateful to Mrs. Dowson for allowing us to park cars in Court Farm courtyard, and it would be much appreciated if drivers would refrain from damaging the grass verges there when they park.

Mr. I. J. Adgie was taken ill when he and Mrs. Adgie were visiting Somerset in August, and, unfortunately, he had to spend some time in

hospital in Taunton. We are glad to know of his recovery following an operation there, and by the time this magazine is published we hope to have him with us at the services again. He and his wife have been very much in our thoughts and prayers in recent weeks.

Mrs. Edith Beere, who had been a patient at Milford Chest Hospital for several years, died there on Sunday, September 3rd, and with her passing Hambledon has lost one of its oldest inhabitants, and one who had taken a keen interest in village and church life. Before her illness, Eddie Beere attended the morning and evening services in church every Sunday, and seldom missed the meetings of the Women's Fellowship and the Church Fellowship. The many friends who visited her in hospital were always impressed by the interest she continued to take in the activities of the village. She was so cheerful and contented, in spite of having had a number of disappointments and tragedies in her life. Her simple Faith and practical Christianity was an example for which we thank God. Our thoughts are with her sister and other members of her family in their bereavement.

A Conference - "Synodical Government and the P.C.C." - will be held at ST. SAVIOUR'S HALL, Leas Road, GUILDFORD, on SATURDAY, 8th NOVEMBER, from 11.0 a.m. to 4.15 p.m. This Conference will be of special interest to members of the Church Council and others who study the events and changes taking place in the Church of England today. Among the speakers are: Mr. Michael Benson, Secretary of the Church Society, the Archdeacon of Surrey, Mr. Timothy Hoare, Member of the House of Laity, and Mr. John York, Examiner in the Diocese of Winchester for the purposes of the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Measure. Booking



Forms for the conference may be obtained from the Rector or the P.C.C. Secretary. The fee is 10/- to cover cost of hire of hall and all refreshments. There will be some forms in Church.

Hanbledon Girl Guides. Six of the 1st Hanbledon Guides and their captain went to camp on a farm near Penzance, Cornwall, with guides of the Leamington Companies. They camped from August 11th - 20th, though it took them all of the first and last days travelling. They are hoping to return to the same site again next year, taking twelve guides instead of only six.

Devotional Bible Studies. As reported in last month's magazine, meetings for Bible Study re-open this month. Two series have been so far arranged, and we are most grateful to Mr. Gordon Humphreys, recently Headmaster of King Edward's School, Witley, for leading the first series - "Calling Him Master and Lord". Meetings will be held fortnightly, with a break for the Christmas holiday, and commence on Tuesday, October 21st. The second series - "Our Reasonable Service" - will be led by Dr. Jack Synonds, a former C.M.S. (Ruanda) medical missionary. Full details of the meetings are included in this magazine. When our Bishop met members of Parochial Church Councils in the Deanery, he stressed the importance of Bible study and discussion groups in the parishes. It is hoped that many will join us for these Devotional Bible Studies, and learn with us more of the wonder of God and of His purposes as we "dig deeper" into this fascinating Book.

The Scripture Union is a system of daily Bible reading which we strongly recommend. Graded explanatory notes are available, and our local

secretary, Mrs. N. Head, Alpenrose, Hambledon, will be pleased to give further information about the Scripture Union and supply copies of the notes.

#### THE YEW TREES IN HAMBLEDON CHURCHYARD

The following extract from "The Yew Trees of Great Britain and Ireland" by John Lowe, published in 1897, will be of interest to our readers:

"In Black's 'Guide to Surrey', published in 1884, it is stated that there are in the churchyard two very fine yews, one 30 feet in girth. Casual notices of this kind are, as a rule, by no means reliable, but if the account can be trusted, this tree shows an extraordinary growth in the last ten years. From the measurements, for which I am indebted to the Rev. R. Phillips, it appears that this tree, which is on the south-east side of the church, now (January 1895) is at the ground 36 feet in circumference, and at 3 feet, 39 feet. 'There is a great cavity in the centre, and an opening of irregular oval shape about 5 feet from the ground. The external shell is hard, and shows vigorous growth, and in my recollection (20 years) has increased in size. A curious circumstance occurred in the winter of 1886 in connection with this remarkable tree. The weight of the snow broke down several large boughs from both trees. One from the older trees was 38 feet long and very heavy, and though the gravestones were packed closely round, not a vestige of damage was done in their fall ....'

The second tree stands south of the south porch of the church. Height 44 feet; circumference at ground line 19 feet; at 3 feet  $17\frac{3}{4}$  feet; circumference of foliage 112 feet; height of bole 15 feet. This tree is very straight and regular.



It has a beautifully fluted stem. It was much injured by the snow-storm of 1886, but every year repairs the damage."

N.B. We have in our village two of the finest and oldest yew trees in the country, and every effort should be made to keep them in good preservation. The Parochial Church Council is responsible for the upkeep of both the Church and the Churchyard, and in accepting this responsibility its officers have recently had the trees examined by an expert who informs us that it will be necessary to spend about £40.0.0 on the trees. If you would like to make a contribution towards this work, please send your gift to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. C. A. Chapman, Tigbourne Court, Hambledon.

#### WOMEN'S ACTION - Church Pastoral-Aid Society

A BRING-AND-BUY SALE AND COFFEE MORNING will be held at "DENNY'S", Cricket Green, Hambledon, on Thursday, 30th October, from 10.30 a.m. Proceeds for Women's Action funds. You are warmly invited to attend.

The ANNUAL MEETING will be held on Thursday, 27th November, at 3.0 p.m. Full details later.

Women's Action is the ladies section of the Church Pastoral-Aid Society - the Church of England's oldest Home Missionary Society.

#### VILLAGE NEWS

Secretaries and correspondents of local organisations are invited to send short reports and news of their activities for inclusion in the Parish Magazine. Please send your notes to the Rector by the 15th of the month. We would welcome news about the Women's Institute, Guides, Brownies and Cubs, Parish Council, etc.