

Weekly Worship

Fountain of life....



17th Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 27th September 2026

Every 1st &
3rd Sunday

**Holy
Communion**

Every 2nd
Sunday

**Café
Church**

Every 4th &
5th Sunday

**Service
of Word**

Zoom
ID: 896 6125
2194;
Passcode
050845

All services

Welcome to St Francis Church



This week our service follows broad Church of England guide lines
centring on bible readings, prayer and praise

This week's readings

Ezekiel 33 7-11
Romans 13 8-end
Matthew 18 15-20

Collect for this week

Gracious God, you call us to fullness
of life: deliver us from unbelief and
banish our anxieties with the
liberating love of Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen

**We welcome Robert Stevenson who will be
preaching. Nicola Goff will be leading the service**

It's Not Fair! (And Why That's Good News)

Exploring the radical generosity of God's grace versus human notions of fairness.

HUMAN LOGIC: MERIT & PERFORMANCE



Merit vs. Radical Generosity

Human logic demands rewards based on effort, but God's kingdom operates on pure kindness.

"The Master is making them equal to us."

HUMAN "FAIRNESS" MINDSET

Rewards based on performance

The first should stay first

You get what you deserve

DIVINE "GRACE" MINDSET

Rewards based on God's character

The last shall be first

You get what you don't deserve

DIVINE GRACE: RADICAL GENEROSITY



UNEARNED KINDNESS

THE GREAT REVERSAL

Jesus disrupts social order by putting the "last" (sinners and outcasts) before the "first."



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Despite Peter's denial of Jesus, he received complete forgiveness and healing, not a reprimand.

No Achievement Earns More Love

God's value of a person is not measured by their "apostle socks" or hard work.



Just for St Francis

What's happening in the next week September 2026

Date	Event (Time)
Tuesdays	Hear, here NHS Clinic (9:30AM-11:00AM)
Fridays	Meet and Munch (10:00AM-12.00PM)
Tuesdays	Morning Prayer on Zoom (9:30AM) ID:829 9475 0223 Passcode 104258
21 st Sept	PCC Meeting (7:30PM)
Wednesdays	Prayer meeting (7:30PM) everyone needed!
8 th Oct	Church Growth Conference (All Workers) - £12 at Welcome Church, Woking GU21 6DJ

Parish Notices

Bishop's Prayer Network

Bishop Paul has made intentional prayer one of his three foci as our Acting Bishop and has invited all those willing to pray with him for our diocese to join the Bishop's Prayer Network.

This will entail receiving a prayer bulletin every two months, invitations to pray online with Bishop Paul, should you so wish, six times a year and to join him in two half-nights of prayer.

All are welcome to join at
www.cofeguildford.org.uk/prayernetwork

Safeguarding

We are committed to safeguarding as an integral part of ministry and mission, promoting a safer culture and the welfare of all people safe at St Francis Church. We have adopted the Church of England's 'Promoting a Safer Church Policy for children, young people and vulnerable adults.

If you have any concerns, please contact the Minister (Pelumi), the Warden (Robert) or the Parish Safeguarding Officer (Steve)

Please pray for growth

God of Mission, who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, joy to our worship and power to our witness. Help St Francis, St Clares and Emmanuel Churches to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

Pelumi has a wonderful vision of how St Francis is going to grow and shine as a beacon in Westborough. We need to pray as a church that we will see his vision materialise. Do join us on Wednesdays at 7.30pm

Giving at St Francis Church

Jesus gave his life for us, everything we have belongs to him. We show our thanks by giving our time, money and resources/ St Francis needs our long term financial support

If you would like to set up a standing order, please use the details below:

Account Name: St Francis & St Clares Parochial Church Council

Sort Code: 40-22-26

Account Number: 91303368

Reference: Giving/[SURNAME]



If you would like to make a secure one-off donation as a thank you for God's blessings, please use the payment point in church or scan the QR code

If applicable, please also tick the Gift Aid box.

Newsletter Contributions & Enquiries

For contributions or enquiries on Baptism, marriage etc, please contact Valerie by phone (01483571018) or in person on Wednesdays from 12-4:00pm or via email:

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