PLEASE NOTE...

- 1. Post-service moving and grooving: please stick around after the service to help us film a video to go on the new church website. Then come and enjoy tea to celebrate with the McArdles!
- 2. Is God anti-gay? Join us for our next Big Questions event on the 26th May, with an interview and discussion hosted by Andrew Latimer. 7 - 8 pm, upstairs at the Greenwich Tavern, SE10 9JH.
- 3. Grace Groups meet this Wednesday: we encourage all members of the church to join a Grace Group to get to know each other, to pray, and to hear from God's word. Why not come this week to try it out? 7.30 pm for food, groups from 8 – 9.15 pm, Stephen Lawrence Building, Old Royal Naval College.

4. Could you offer your spare room for a few months?

We have the exciting opportunity to host a Portuguese Ministry Trainee for a year from September, as he comes to study at the Cornhill Training Course. The church in Portugal is small and under-resourced so we are hopeful that Grace Church could offer accommodation and perhaps a contribution towards living expenses. Ideally, 2 or 3 families could each host him for part of the year.

5. Christianity Explored: a DVD-based course that we run for sceptics, enquirers or anyone wanting to go over the foundations of Christianity. There is plenty of opportunity to ask questions, or just to listen if you prefer. It usually runs for seven Wednesday evenings but why not just come once to see if it is for you. explore@gracechurchgreenwich.org.uk.

6. Looking further ahead:

- Autumn Weekend Away 11th - 13th October 2019
- 7. Giving: Grace Church is funded by the donations of its members. To support our work and give tax efficiently please email treasurer@gracechurchgreenwich.org.uk (40-52-40 / 00027789).

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Sunday 5th May 2019

Welcome!

Andrew Sach is leading Andrew Latimer will be preaching

"Busting a gut for God!"

"And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ." Philippians 1:6

SONG: Come people of the risen King

CHILDREN'S TALK

CONFESSION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, We have sinned against you And against our fellow men, In thought and word and deed, In the evil we have done And in the good we have not done, Through ignorance, through weakness, Through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may serve you in newness of life To the glory of your name. Amen. Common Worship, © The Archbishops' Council of the Church of England, 2000-2006

THANKSGIVING FOR SIENNA ROSE MCARDLE

NOTICES (children leave for Sunday school & crèche) **CONGREGATIONAL READING:** Matthew 5:14-16

SONG: Church of God, elect and glorious

SONG: Speak, O Lord

READING: Ezekiel 36:24-28 (p.724)

SONG: O to see the dawn

READING: Philippians 2:12-18 (p.981)

SERMON

SONG: O for a thousand tongues to sing

PRAYERS BLESSING

> Next Sunday 12th May - Philippians 2:19-30 "Sharing the family likeness"

It's how we shine God's light to others

What might it look like if we grasped this

Which of the motivations in the passage can you use to help you battle sin this week?

principle more fully?

"Busting a gut for God!"

Philippians 2:12-18

How does Christian growth happen?	
Live obedient lives	
It's how we become like Christ	
	It honours those who invested in us
God will lift us up at the end	
God's resources are behind it	
	Coffee Questions:
	To what extent have we grasped that our growth as Christians depends on Godempowered strenuous effort?