

Children's Sunday Groups at St John's

These are the groups we run for children and young people during the 9.30am service each Sunday:

Rising Stars - Ages 0-5 in the Pauling Room

The Big God Space - Ages 5-10 in the Jubilee Hall

Streetwise - Age 11+ in the Lodge

We'd love to see you, come and join in the fun!

Attention families!

For services where there are no Sunday Clubs, or if you come to church without your child, please use the 'sign in' book at the back of church so that you are registered as attending. Thank you.

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Office opening hours
Monday - Friday, 9.30am - 12.30pm

19 February 2017

The Second Sunday Before Lent

8.00am Heritage Communion
Presiding: Revd Peter Pickett
Preaching: Sarah Hassell

Epistle: Exodus 19: 5 - 6
Gospel: Luke 24: 13 - 27

9.30am Contemporary Service
Leading: Revd Jill Preece
Preaching: Jorj Kowszun

11.15am Classic Communion
Presiding: Revd Jill Preece
Preaching: Jorj Kowszun
Assisting: Sheila MacNicol, Margaret Kowszun & Patricia Kelley
Hymns: 755, 77, 297, 375
Readings: Exodus 19: 5 - 6
Luke 24: 13 - 27

Next Sunday 26 February 2017

8.00am Heritage Communion
Presiding: Revd Jill Preece
Preaching: Jill Maddock

9.30am Contemporary Communion
Presiding: Revd Giles Carpenter
Preaching: Catherine Butcher
Assisting: David & Jenny Barker, Sheila O'Hanlon, Rowena Adams, Clive & Kate Dilloway

11.15am Classic Communion
Presiding: Revd Giles Carpenter
Preaching: Catherine Butcher
Assisting: Diana Guthrie, Derek Moulard & Pam Lade

6.00pm Evensong
Led by Revd Giles Carpenter & Nick Pendry





All Saints church centre, Eastbourne
 21a Grange Road
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 7.30pm
 Tuesday 21st February, 2017



Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday 3 March 2017

This service has been written by the women of the Philippines and is entitled 'Am I Being Unfair To You?'

All welcome - not just women!

Kingdom Come Event, 11 March 2017, 7.30pm

The next Kingdom Come event is being held at New Hope Church, Beach Road. This is a powerful evening where the church across the town joins together to pray. See you there!

Bible by the Beach, 28 April - 1 May 2017

This year's theme is entitled 'Firm Foundations - Reformation for Today' which marks 500 years since Martin Luther launched the Reformation. Not simply celebrating the past or even giving ourselves a history lesson but focusing on our foundations, the Bible, Jesus and his death for us.

Great speakers will be joining us over the weekend and Mark Ashworth and his team will be running a youth programme for the under 18s.



CONNEXIONS

New to St John's? - Connexions

A very warm welcome from us all if you are new or visiting St John's for the first time. We hope you enjoy being part of our church family. If you are looking for a church and would like to find out more about us, Giles our vicar, and his wife Rachel, regularly host an informal afternoon with tea and cake at the vicarage. This is a great chance to find out more about the vision of St John's church and our mission to make disciples and to serve the community of Meads. For more details please complete one of the Connexions/Welcome cards (usually available in the pews) and return it to one of our welcome team. Another way in which we like to reach people is through our 'Keeping In Touch' email list. To be included in the mailing list please sign one of the forms on the Welcome Desk. You'll then receive regular updates and news.

Toddler Group Needs Your Help!



Thursdays during term time, 10am

We urgently need volunteers who are keen to show love and care to parents, carers and grandparents as they navigate the difficult early years of parenting. We have volunteer vacancies for the following roles - Set Up Team, Café Team and Set Down Team. If you can volunteer for one or two mornings a month please email Hannah Peattie: hannah@stjm.org.uk

Our vision is that everyone who attends will find real connection and community and would encounter the love of Jesus.

Flower Team

Do we have any ladies (or gentlemen) interested in joining our flower team? You don't need to be a qualified flower arranger, you just need to have a eye for detail and love flowers. Our flower team create wonderful displays and our Flower Festivals are always so popular. Sadly, due to dropping numbers, the team is becoming smaller and smaller - to the point that we may not be able to have a Flower Festival this year. For more information, or if you'd like to sign up, please contact Jean Tucker on: 01323 370760.





New Wine Summer Camp

Sunday 30 July to Saturday 5 August 2017, Royal Bath & West Showground, Shepton Mallet, Somerset.

Billed as an ‘unforgettable week with acclaimed teaching, passionate worship and life-transforming prayer’, can you afford NOT to be there?!

A group from St John’s will again be attending the summer ‘New Wine’ camp again next year, at the Royal Bath and West Showground.

The week-long programme includes morning and evening celebrations, seminars, teaching, and a great opportunity to get to know other members of the church family. There are plenty of fun activities and groups for children and young people of all ages.

For more information see The New Wine website: <https://www.new-wine.org> or contact Giles or Jill Preece.



Book Publishing Freebie!

I'm a director of a book publishers set up to help new, young writers get their work published. I've been working with a team who will be publishing as an e-book at the end of February. We are giving 50 copies away as a gift which the recipient would activate as a download on a kindle or whatever gadget they use.

I'd like to make this available to the congregation.

The book 'Chaos Calls to Chaos' will be published on Tuesday 28 February, so it would be during the following week that I could send anyone who was interested their gift link. Then they would activate it on Amazon.

There is no cost to anyone. We hope it would be enjoyed and taken as a thank you to St John’s for all their kindness and the warm welcome we received.

The style is a mix of humour (like Adrian Plass) and has also been compared to Michelle Guinness. These are new writers and they have grown immensely through the process in the last year. It started as a team entering writing competitions and grew from there.

Here’s a short excerpt:

Millennial Chris Duncan is six months into his role as the Archdeacon's Curate. The man's ideas terrify him. How can the Archdeacon get the BBC religious programming to have ratings to match 'Bake Off' and 'Countryfile?' He will surely try!

How will relationships hold up between Lambeth Palace and Langham Place? Can Chris, and his friends from the surfer and skate board churches, survive as they hurtle towards a potential celebrity status that none of them want.

While Chris is besotted with Eve, his boss's daughter, his doubts about his job prevent him from making a move. How could he cope with the idea of the Archdeacon as a father-in-law.?

If you would like an e-book copy then please contact Jackie Ewins via email: jaci.ewins@btinternet.com

Peter & Jackie Ewins

Summer Fête 2017 ** Attention Gardeners! **

We would love to continue with our ever popular plant stall for this year’s Summer Fête in June, so we’d like to ask if any of you keen gardeners would consider planting up some extra plants this Spring for us to sell on the stall. Alternatively, nearer the time if you’d be prepared to purchase trays of small plug plants and donate them to the stall, we’d be very appreciative. Thank you.

