

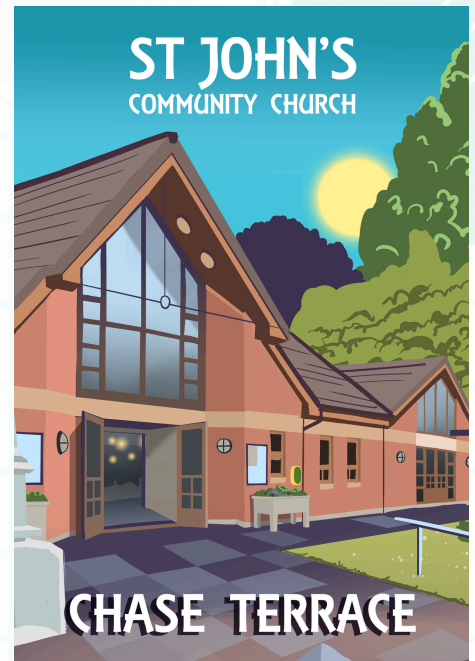
Sunday 28th April 2024

A very warm welcome to St John's Community Church. Whether this is your first time with us, or you've been part of our church for some time, it's great to see you...

This morning at our **10am service**, **Ian** is leading and **Matt** is speaking, helping us to explore Jesus' parable of the sower. **Mark and the band** are leading our **sung worship**, while our **Little Stars, Shooting Stars** and **Super Stars** sessions are on offer for younger ones. **Prayer** is available during and after the service with **Linda, Brian and Linda** from the **prayer team**, and **refreshments** are available after the service too, so do stick



around for a chat and a catch up if you can. And then tonight at **6pm**, we've got our **Games Club: Cakes & Ladders**. All are welcome for a fun and friendly evening of games and cake - plenty of different board games to try, so do just come along, or see **Ian McKeown** for more details - thank you.

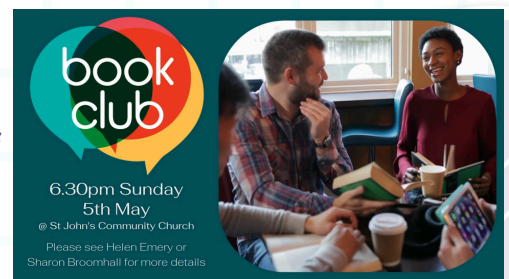


St John's building is being used as a **polling station** for local elections this **Thursday 2nd May** between **7am-10pm**. The Church Office will be open as usual from 9am-1pm, but there'll be **no Little Friends** or **Singing For Health & Wellbeing** that day - both back on 9th May. Wherever you're based, do vote if you can - our individual voices and votes can make a big difference to the priorities that our local councils and leaders adopt. Please pray for all elected representatives, that they will lead with integrity, compassion and wisdom. And don't forget as well, you'll need to take a form of photo ID with you to vote!



Watercolour Dabblers, our relaxed painting group for all abilities, is back for another Saturday morning session at 10am-12pm next **Saturday 4th May**. It's an opportunity to unleash your inner artist in a friendly and supportive environment, and a nice chance to get to know other folks at the same time. If you fancy coming along, do please sign up on the sheet in the foyer, and speak to **Chris Hill** (07888 730492) for more details.

The next session of **Book Club** is taking place at 6.30pm next **Sunday 5th May**, when we will be talking about 'The Silk House' by **Kayte Nunn**. All are welcome for a relaxed evening of drinks, snacks and conversation! Please see **Helen Emery** if you'd like to borrow a copy of The Silk House, and see Helen or **Sharon Broomhall** for more details about the group, with future sessions on **2nd June** and **7th July**.



With spring now upon us, a couple of summer dates for your diaries! We'll be helping with Burntwood Town Council's **Play in the Park** events in Chase Terrace Park on **Monday 29th July** and **Monday 19th August**. More info to come, but if you're up for helping with the BBQ, Drop Inn or Children's Crafts, that would be great!

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Our **Pub Club** is back next month for another relaxed round - this time at **The Star** (Lichfield Rd, Burntwood Green, WS7 0HJ - just up from Swan Island). We'll be meeting from 8pm on **Friday 10th May**, so if you're up for a fun night with good friends old and new, do come on down! It's an easy night to bring friends and family along, with plenty of space inside and out at The Star (depending on the weather!), so hopefully see you there!



It was good to be able to hold our **Annual Meeting** last Sunday, where we heard reports from Matt and from J, our church treasurer - available to hear again on our St John's Community Church [YouTube channel](#) and the [church website](#). As well as J's spoken report and slides, the full financial report and church accounts for our past year are available to download from our [church website](#) too (under the 'What's On' - 'Annual Reports' tab), so do feel free to explore those figures to see how we use

the giving which comes in. **Many thanks indeed** to all those who give, whether large or small amounts, regularly or as a one-off to St John's, which is hugely appreciated. Indeed, as a charity, we're pretty much wholly reliant on this financial giving to enable us to do what we do, so thank you for your ongoing generosity. **Giving financially** is a key way in which we express our worship to God and our commitment to our church community, so if you see St John's as your church, **do please consider starting or raising your regular giving**. Many folks give regularly by standing order, make cash donations, or use our contactless giving unit in the foyer. As a charity, we can reclaim tax through gift aid, so if you're a taxpayer, do please fill in a gift aid form, available in the foyer or from our church website. Our church bank account details are:

HSBC Bank Account Name: St John's Community Church
Account Number: 20724548 Sort Code: 40-17-60

Many thanks again for all of the generous giving which comes in - if you have any questions at all about our finances and how they're used, do please feel free to speak to Matt, J or Marie in the church office - thank you.

What's On...

For the latest info on services, groups and bookings, please speak to Marie in the Church Office on 01543 670078, visit our website at www.stjohnscommunitychurch.org.uk or see our Facebook page.

Sunday 28th April

10.00 - 11.15 10am Sunday Service
 18.00 - 21.00 Games Club: Snakes & Ladders

Monday 29th April

10.00 - 10.30 10am Monday Service
 10.30 - 12.30 The Drop Inn & Talking Point
 13.30 - 15.30 Bereavement Help Point
 17.00 - 18.00 Slimming World
 18.00 - 19.30 F'n'F#1
 18.30 - 19.30 Slimming World

Tuesday 30th April

10.00 - 12.00 Tuesday House Group
 16.30 - 18.00 US Girls
 17.30 - 18.15 Beginners Fitness Pilates
 18.30 - 19.15 Beginners Fitness Pilates
 19.30 - 20.15 Improvers Fitness Pilates

Wednesday 1st May

09.30 - 10.30 Zumba
 12.45 - 14.45 Little Friends
 18.00 - 19.30 F'n'F#2
 19.00 - 21.00 House Groups

Thursday 2nd May

07.00 - 22.00 Polling Station for Elections

Friday 3rd May

09.40 - 10.40 Diddi Dance

Saturday 4th May

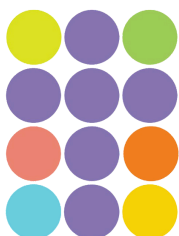
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10.00 - 11.15 10am Service
 18.30 - 20.00 Book Club

Friday 10th May

20.00 - 23.00 Pub Club @ The Star



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