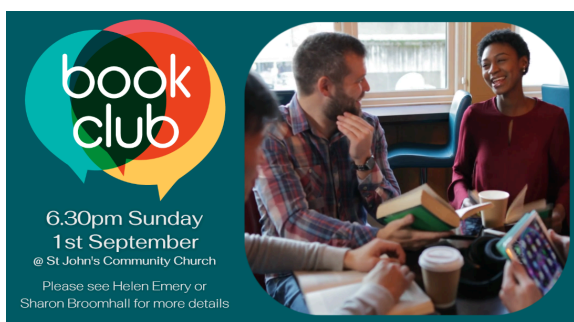
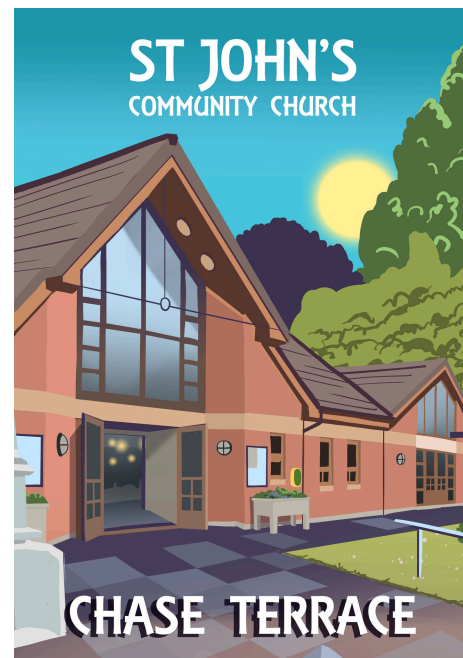


# Sunday 1st September 2024

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...



In our **10am service** this morning, **Ian** is leading, and **Ellen** is leading our **sung worship**. We'll be hearing from **Kathy** as she shares about the work of **Burntwood Be A Friend** (one of the charities we support as a church), and **Matt** will share some updates for the new term ahead. There's **prayer** available with the **prayer team**, a joint **Sunday Stars** group for younger ones, and **refreshments** on offer after the service. Our **Monday 10am service** is back tomorrow too, with **Annette** leading - and as always, all are welcome!



Our monthly **Book Club** returns for a new term at **6.30pm tonight** (Sunday 1st September). This month, we'll be discussing **'The Feast'** by **Margaret Kennedy**, and all are welcome. Future dates include 6th October and 3rd November, so if you'd like to find out more and see what future books are being planned, do please see **Helen Emery** or **Sharon Broomhall** for more details - thank you.

Next **Sunday 8th September**, a coach-load of us (plus a few cars!) are going down to Cheltenham for the licensing service of our former curate, **Ruth Edmonds**, as she starts her new role as vicar in the South Cheltenham Team. **There won't therefore be a morning service** here at St John's on 8th September, but we'll be **open from 10am for refreshments** before the coach leaves at 11am - so do feel free to come at 10am for a catch up whether you're travelling down to Cheltenham or not! For those travelling by coach, **Ruth's service starts at 3pm**, so there'll hopefully be plenty of time on arrival to have a packed lunch, or have lunch in a nearby pub - The Norwood Arms (Leckhampton Rd, GL53 0AX) and The Exmouth Arms (167 Bath Rd, GL53 7LX) are both close to the church. **Many thanks to all those who have paid for their coach seat** - if you're still to pay (£15 per person), do please see Marie in the office - thank you. And do please continue to pray for Ruth, James and Amara as they move and settle in to this new chapter!



A big thank you to all who have bought tickets for **'An Evening of Songs'** at 7.30pm on **Friday 13th September**. The **Nicholls' family** and their **Friends in Harmony** are putting on a fine night of music, ranging from timeless classics to the best show tunes, so if you'd like to come to this fundraiser for our children's work here at St John's, it'd be great to have your support. Tickets cost £10 - bring your own drinks, with snacks provided. Please see **Marie Hiley** in the office or **Marg Nicholls** for tickets - thank you!



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for creativity & conversation  
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# Creating Space

10am-12pm

Saturday 28th September

"Crystal Christmas Cards & Notebooks" with Barbara-Ann Brindley

For more details, please see Lesley Boulton & sign up sheets in the foyer

**Creating Space**, our Saturday morning time of creativity and conversation, is back for another session on **Saturday 28th September**, when **Barbara-Ann Brindley** will be helping us make Crystal Christmas cards and notebooks. Many thanks to all those who have signed up already, so do please see **Barbara** or **Lesley Boulton**, or pop your name down on the sheet in the foyer, if you'd like to join them - thank you!

Our **Pub Club** is returning for another evening of good company and conversation on **Friday 4th October**. This time, we'll be gathering from 8pm in **The Hazelwood** (128 Ironstone Road, WS7 1LY), so do pop the date in your diary, and we'll hopefully see you there! And then another future date - our next **Curry Club** at Aashiq's will be at 6pm on **Sunday 17th November**. More details and a sign up sheet on that to come nearer the time!



Our next **Watercolour Dabblers** session is taking place at **10am-12pm** on **Saturday 12th October**. All are welcome for what is a fun and relaxing time together - all abilities too, so do come on down to have a dabble in the encouraging company of other budding artists! Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you fancy coming, or see **Chris Hill** (07888 730492) for more details. There'll also be another session later this term on 23rd November - 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](http://www.stjohnscommunitychurch.org.uk) or see our Facebook page. A number of groups are starting back for the new term this week, while Little Friends and F'n'F will return from next week.

### Sunday 1st September

10.00 - 11.15 10am Sunday Service  
3.00 - 13.30 Baptism of Lawrence Watson  
18.30 - 19.45 Book Club

### Monday 2nd September

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 & 18.30 Slimming World

### Tuesday 3rd September

10.00 - 12.00 Daytime House Group  
13.00 - 15.00 Three C's Craft Club  
17.30, 18.30 & 19.30 Fitness Pilates  
19.30 - 21.30 Burntwood Heritage Group

### Wednesday 4th September

09.30 - 10.30 Zumba  
12.45 - 14.45 Little Friends Preparation  
19.00 - 21.00 Harvester's House Group

### Thursday 5th September

09.15 - 11.15 Little Friends Preparation  
13.45 - 15.00 Singing For Health & Wellbeing  
16.30 - 19.30 US Girls

### Saturday 7th September

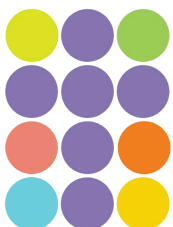
10.00 - 11.00 Zumba

### Sunday 8th September

10.00 - 11.00 Refreshments (No Sunday service)  
11.00 Coach departs for Ruth's Licensing Service

### Coming Up:

**Friday 13th September** - 'Friends in Harmony - An Evening of Songs' Fundraising Concert  
**Monday 23rd September** - PCC Meeting  
**Saturday 28th September** - Creating Space  
**Friday 4th October** - Pub Club @ The Hazelwood  
**Saturday 12th October** - Watercolour Dabblers  
**Friday 8th November** - Rock Choir Concert  
**Sunday 10th November** - Remembrance Sunday  
**Sunday 17th November** - Curry Club @ Aashiq's  
**Saturday 30th November** - Christmas Fayre  
**Sunday 15th December** - Carol Service  
**Tuesday 24th December** - Christmas Special



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