# **Sunday 6th April 2025**

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 today, Lisa is leading and Dave is speaking as our 'Know My Name' series concludes. Mark is leading our sung worship; our Sunday Stars and The Mess groups meet for younger ones; Prayer is on

offer with the **Prayer Team**, and **Refreshments** are served after the service, so do stay for a cuppa and catch up if you can!



**Book Club** is back **tonight** at **6.30pm**, sharing favourite **books written over** 

100 years ago. All are welcome - please see Sharon Broomhall or Helen Emery for more info. The book for the next time (Sunday 4th May) is 'The Salt Path' by Raynor Winnon - widely available, but also as an e-book/audio book from Staffordshire Libraries Borrow Box.

The Drop Inn takes place at 10.30am each Monday after our 10am service, and is great time of chat, coffee and cake, all served by an enthusiastic team of helpers, to which all are welcome! There'll be a special Drop Inn fundraiser for the fantastic work of St Giles Hospice this Monday 7th April, with craft and jigsaw stalls as well, so do please come along to support that event if you can - thank you!



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With **Easter** coming up, here are the details of a number of **special services** on offer at St John's during what's known as 'Holy Week', as we reflect on and celebrate the significance of Jesus' journey to the cross, his crucifixion and his resurrection. All are welcome!

**10am Palm Sunday 13th April** - Our 10am Sunday service, with time to worship in song, time to pray, an opportunity to consider the story of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, and our Sunday Stars and The Mess groups for young people.

**7pm Maundy Thursday 17th April** - A gentle, reflective evening service which includes Communion, as we recall the events and meaning of Jesus' Last Supper on the night before he died.

**2pm Good Friday 18th April** - 'An Hour At The Cross'. This is our meditative service on Good Friday afternoon, using led reflections and music to engage with the significance of Jesus' death on the cross.

10am Easter Sunday 20th April - Our Easter Sunday morning resurrection celebration service, with worship led by the band, prayers, an opportunity to reflect on the wonder of Jesus' resurrection, the invitation to share in Communion, along with children's and young people's activities, plus refreshments too... Hopefully see you there!







We're very grateful for our regular cleaner, Barry Mok, and for our caretaker, Nigel Procter, who both do a great job of keeping our building and grounds looking good! However, it's time for us to have a deeper spring clean in order to get our building ship-shape for the season ahead. So, we'll be holding a big 'Spring Clean' morning from 9am-12pm next Saturday 12th April. The more helping hands, the merrier, so if you're up for coming, that'd be great - please sign up in the foyer, or let Nigel or Marie know in the church office. Thank you!

Karen Procter is leading a new monthly Prayer Hour at 1pm-2pm on Saturdays - a chance to meet together to pray for the needs of our church and community. All are welcome for a relaxed but focussed time of prayer, with the next gathering taking place on Saturday 26th April, and the following month on **Saturday 31st May**. Please see **Karen** if you'd like to find out more - thank you.



We'll be holding our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) as part of our 10am Sunday service on 27th April - all are encouraged to come along! We'll be electing churchwardens and PCC members, sharing updates on our finances and where we're at more generally as a church. In advance of that meeting, we need to renew our electoral roll (our church membership scheme). All those who have been baptised and regularly attend services, or who live in our parish (Chase Terrace and Boney Hay)



are welcome to be on the electoral roll - although as this is a reset, if you're currently on the Electoral Roll, you'll need to fill out a new form please. Those on the electoral roll can stand for election to the PCC (the Trustees of the church) and vote at our Annual Meeting, and it's the way we collect contact details for those who'd like to be included in our printed church directory (a new edition will be out later this year). Many thanks to all those who have already filled out forms - if you'd like to join them, please fill out a form (available in the foyer or from the church website under the 'About-Forms' tab) and give in to Matt, Nigel, Marg or Marie.

# What's On...

For info on services and groups, please visit our website at www.stjohnscommunitychurch.org.uk, or see our Facebook page, and check out our YouTube channel for a range of talks - thank you.

#### **Sunday 6th April**

10.00 - 11.15 Sunday Service

12.00 - 13.00 Understanding English Class

18.30 - 19.45 Book Club

## **Monday 7th April**

10.00 - 10.30 10am Monday Service

10.30 - 12.30 The Drop Inn & Talking Point

11.15 - 12.00 Chase View Service

13.30 - 15.30 Bereavement Help Point

17.00 & 18.30 Slimming World

18.00 - 19.30 F'n'F#1

#### **Tuesday 8th April**

12.00 - 15.00 Mothers' Union Meeting

13.30 - 15.30 3C's Craft Group

13.45 - 15.00 Singing For Health & Wellbeing

17.30 - 20.30 Fitness Pilates

#### Wednesday 9th April

10.00 - 11.00 Zumba

12.45 - 14.45 Little Friends

19.00 - 21.00 Harvester's House Group

## **Thursday 10th April**

09.15 - 11.15 Little Friends

16.30 - 19.30 US Girls

19.30 - 21.00 F'n'F#2

# **Friday 11th April**

09.40 - 10.40 Diddi Dance

#### **Saturday 12th April**

09.00 - 12.00 Spring Clean

### **Sunday 13th April**

10.00 - 11.15 Palm Sunday Service

#### **Coming Up...**

Thu 17th April: 7.30pm Maundy Thursday Service

Fri 18th April 2pm: Good Friday Service

Sun 20th April 10am: Easter Sunday

Sat 26th April 1pm: Prayer Hour

Sun 27th April 10am: Annual Meeting (APCM)

Sun 27th April 6pm: Games Club

Thu 1st May 7am-10pm: Polling Day

Sat 31st May 1pm: Prayer Hour

Sat 21st June 2pm: Coffee & Cake Afternoon

Sat 28th June 6pm: Laura Edwards Ordination

Mon 28th July 11am-3pm: Play in the Park Sun 10th August 10am: Chasewater Walk

Sun 9th Nov 10.45am: Remembrance Sunday

Sat 29th Nov 12pm: Christmas Fayre

Sun 14th Dec 6pm: Carol Service

Wed 24th Dec 4.30pm: Christmas Special



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