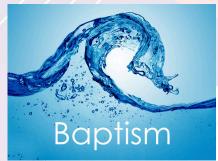
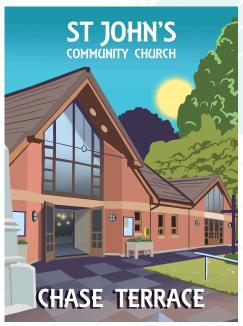
Sunday 13th July 2025

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 this morning, we're delighted for Shaz, Natalie, Holly, Evra and Sidney as they come to be baptised or reaffirm their baptism vows! They'll be sharing some testimonies about their faith journeys, and we'll have the chance to pray for them during the service.

Matt is leading, with Mark and the band leading our sung worship, while the prayer team are available to pray with too.



We've got our **Sunday Stars** groups on offer for younger ones, while our regular group for teens, The Mess, will be staying in for the service this week - with Sunday Stars being invited back in to watch the baptisms with us all. Feel free to stick around for **refreshments** after the service too for a chat and catch up. And then do please pray for **Sarah** from St Anne's, Chasetown, who's also getting baptised in the pool later on this afternoon (making good use of the water!) with a number of St Anne's folks coming to support her at a special **baptism service** at **3.30pm**!

We'll be helping to host one of <u>Burntwood</u> <u>Town Council</u>'s <u>Play in the Park</u> days in <u>Chase Terrace</u> Park at <u>llam-3pm</u> on <u>Monday 28th July</u>, providing a free <u>BBQ</u>, <u>children's craft activities</u>, and running the <u>Drop Inn café</u>. It's a fun but busy day, with around 500-700 folks normally attending! <u>Many thanks indeed</u> to all those who signed up in the foyer to help in various ways, and if you'd like to join them in cooking/serving/crafting, do please add your



name to the lists. We'll also need **plenty of cakes** for the Drop Inn please, so if you can bake or buy something tasty, that'd be splendid! Please include a note of ingredients used, and cakes can be brought along to our 10am service on Sunday 27th July or on the day itself. For more details overall, please see **Matt Wallace**, and do put **Monday 28th July** in your diary for a fun (hopefully sunny!) community day - thanks very much!



We'll soon be publishing a new, print-only **Church Directory**, listing contact details of church folks. There'll be a draft copy circulating during the service this week, so **do please check your details are correct**. If you're already on the Electoral Roll (our church membership list), your details will automatically be included (unless you've already indicated otherwise), but if you're not on the

Electoral Roll, you'd be welcome to sign up, so do please fill out a form from the foyer or download from the church website. Equally, if you'd like to be in the directory but not on the Electoral Roll, please just add your details on a blank page at the back of the draft directory, or message them through to Matt Wallace (07855 960179). And just to underline, this is a paper-only directory which will only go out to St John's folks, and won't be available or accessible online. Any questions, do please see **Matt**, or **Marie** in the church office. Thank you!







On Sunday 10th August, instead of a 10am service, we'll be taking a Sunday morning stroll around Chasewater! It's a refreshing chance to meet together as church in a different way, with plenty of time for conversation in good company! We'll meet at 10am at Chasewater Heaths Station, WS7 3PG for a circuit of the lake (it's just under 3 miles), with a break halfway round at the playground/café/toilets! Or for those who fancy a gentler morning, the café at the station is a nice alternative for a cuppa and catch up!

Kim Thomas volunteers as Chaplain at Pathway Project, one of the main pathway charities we support as a church who help adults and young people experiencing or affected by domestic abuse. Kim writes: 'Part of Pathway's work involves running a Women's Refuge in Lichfield, set up

by our own Kathy Coe, that gives hope and help to women and their children fleeing domestic violence. The refuge is a safe space for the women and the amazing staff who work there have asked for our help. When the women move to new homes of their own, they have very little to take with them. Can you help ease their transition? There is a list here and in the foyer of some of the things they find useful, perhaps you can help with just one thing? Thank you so much.' Please ask Kim if you have any questions, with the list of what's needed below:

Kitchen:

Sets of 4 mugs, washing up bowls, folding laundry baskets, cutlery, tea towels, dish/microfibre cloths, chopping boards, measuring spoons, can openers, plates and bowls

Bathroom:

Bathmats, towels, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap holders, toilet brushes, toilet rolls, shampoo, conditioner, deodorants, sanitary towels/tampons, soap

Beauty/Pamper:

Makeup, face/hand/foot masks, hairbrushes, combs, nail polish, bubble bath, scented candles



Our church drummers, **J** and **Rich**, both have local gigs coming up with their bands! J's band The Minty **Cucumbers** are playing trad and Dixieland jazz at The Dog Inn, Whittington (WS14 9JU) from 8pm this Tuesday 15th July, while Rich's band The Brightsides are playing floor fillers from 60s-now at The Miners' Rest, Chasetown (WS7 4QS) from 9pm on Friday 25th July. They'd love to see you there for a night out!



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 13th July

10.00 - 11.15 10am Sunday Baptism Service 15.30 - 16.00 Baptism of Sarah Froggatt

Monday 14th July

10.00 - 10.30 10am Monday Service

10.30 - 12.30 The Drop Inn & Talking Point

11.15 - 12.00 Chase View Service

14.00 - 16.00 Bereavement Help Point

17.30 - 20.30 Slimming World

18.00 - 19.30 F'n'F#1

Tuesday 15th July

13.30 - 15.30 3C's Craft Group

13.45 - 15.00 Singing For Health & Wellbeing

19.30 - 21.30 Tuesday House Group

Wednesday 16th July

10.00 - 11.00 Zumba

12.45 - 14.45 Little Friends Summer Party

19.00 - 21.00 Harvester's House Group

Thursday 17th July

09.15 - 11.15 Little Friends Summer Party

16.30 - 19.30 US Girls

19.30 - 21.00 F'n'F#2

Friday 18th July

09.40 - 10.40 Diddi Dance

Sunday 20th July

10.00 - 11.15 Sunday Communion Service

Coming Up...

Mon 28^{th} July 11am - Play In The Park

Sat 3rd Aug 1pm - Prayer Hour

Sun 10th Aug 10am - Chasewater Walk

Sat 13th Sept 10am - Watercolour Dabblers

Mon 22nd Sept 7pm - PCC Meeting

Sat 27th Sept 10am - Creating Space

Fri 17th Oct 7.30pm - Light For Children Quiz Night



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