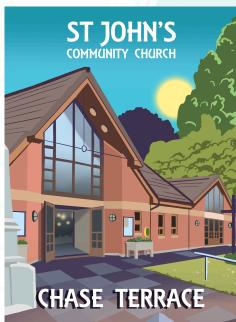
# Sunday 27th July 2025

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, Laura is leading with Matt speaking as we conclude our Living Prayer series. Steve and the band are leading our sung worship, with a joint Sunday Stars group on offer for

younger ones, plus **The Mess** for teens. The **Prayer Team** are also available to pray with during and after the service, and then do stick around for **refreshments** too!





We're delighted to be helping with <u>Burntwood</u> <u>Town Council</u>'s <u>Play in the Park</u> day in <u>Chase Terrace Park tomorrow</u> (<u>Monday 28th July</u>) from <u>11am-3pm!</u> Many thanks indeed to all those who have signed up to help with the Drop Inn, BBQ, children's crafts, setting up and tidying away - we'll be setting up from 9am, so any time you can offer is much appreciated! If you've offered to bring cakes along, please leave them in the church kitchen today or bring

along tomorrow morning, and if home-baked, please make a note of ingredients used - thank you! There's no 10am Monday service tomorrow (back to normal next week!) but Drop Inn will be open alongside activities in the park from 11am, so all are welcome to come along for a free and fun day! Alongside the Chase Terrace Park day tomorrow, there are six more Play in the Parks days across Burntwood's parks during the summer holidays, all provided by Burntwood Town Council and supporting organisations, so do make a note of the other dates and enjoy further fun days over the summer! More details can be found on Burntwood Town Council's website, or follow Burntwood Play in the Parks on Facebook - thank you!





Prayer Hour is back at 1pm this coming Saturday 2nd August - a chance to gather to pray for the needs of our church and community. Whether said out loud or in the quiet, all are welcome to come for a relaxed but focussed time of prayer. Feel free to just turn up, or please speak to Karen Procter for more details - thank you.

On Sunday 10th August, instead of a 10am service, we'll be taking a Sunday morning stroll around Chasewater! It's a chance to gather as church in a different way, with plenty of time to chat 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!









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!

One of the main charities we support as a church is <u>Pathway</u> Project, who help adults and young people experiencing or affected by domestic abuse. Part of their work involves running a Women's Refuge in Lichfield, originally 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 on from the refuge 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 - if you can donate items by bringing them into church, please, that would be fantastic. Many thanks indeed to all those who have already donated items - we now have plenty of bathroom/pamper items, with the main need now for domestic/kitchen type items, please, such as new plates, cutlery, mugs, glasses, tea towels etc. Gift vouchers from Morrisons, Tesco, Aldi and Lidl are also very welcome too. For more information, please speak to Kim Thomas who volunteers as a Chaplain at Pathway - thank you!

## **Kitchen/Domestic items needed:**

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



All of our **Sunday** and **Monday service talks** are available on our **St John's Community Church YouTube channel**, as well as a range of songs we use in Little Friends singing time, and a

selection of worship songs recorded by St John's musicians too. With just under 600 videos on there, and over 1,000 subscribers now, it's a great resource and way to stay connected - so do feel free to check out what's on offer, and subscribe to keep up with the latest additions!

# What's On...

A number of our regular groups take a break during the summer, but there's still a range of services and events coming up! For info on services and what's happening in general, 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 27th July** 

10.00 - 11.15 10am Sunday Service

**Monday 28th July** 

11.00 - 15.00 Play in the Park + Drop Inn 15.00 - 17.00 Bereavement Help Point

17.00 & 18.30 Slimming World

**Tuesday 29th July** 

13.30 - 15.30 3C's Craft Group

**Thursday 31st July** 

16.30 - 19.30 US Girls

**Friday 1st August** 

09.40 - 10.40 Diddi Dance

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August

13.00 - 14.00 Prayer Hour

**Sunday 27th July** 

10.00 - 11.15 Sunday Service

#### Coming Up...

Sun 10th Aug 10am - Chasewater Walk Sat 13th Sept 10am - Watercolour Dabblers Sun 14th September 6.30pm - Book Club

Sun 21st September 12pm - English Academy

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 7pm - PCC Meeting

Sat 27th Sept 10am - Creating Space

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



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