

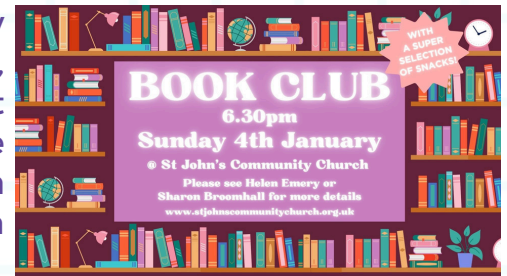
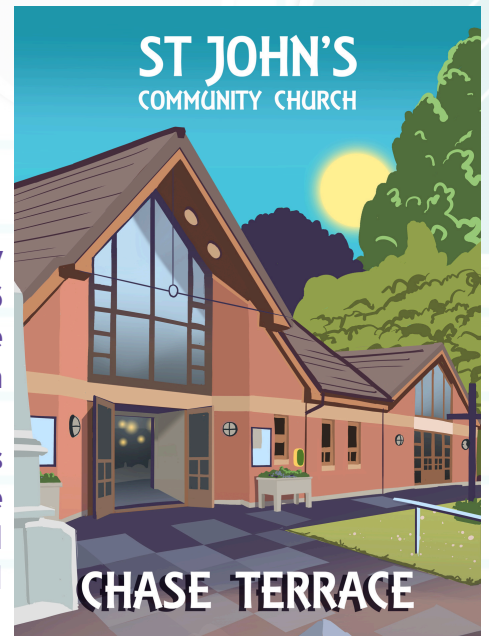
# Sunday 4th January 2026

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...



Happy New Year to you, and may you know God's love in new and deeper ways as 2026 unfolds. It's good to be back together as we start a new year of services! In our **10am service** today, **Matt** is **leading** us through, and we're delighted to be **baptising Seth Chantler** as part of our time this morning. Matt will also be helping us to reflect on the year we've had and what might lie ahead for us, both individually and collectively. **Al** and **Kat** are leading our **sung**

**worship**, and there'll be time to **pray**, with the **prayer team** available too. We've got a joint **Sunday Stars** session on offer for those up to Year 8, while those usually in The Mess will be staying in our service - Shooting Stars, Super Stars and The Mess are all back to normal next week. And then **do stay for lunch after our service** too - all kindly provided by **Mitch and Emily Chantler** as we celebrate Seth's big day - a lovely way to start the year! This evening, **Book Club** is back at **6.30pm**, with a chance to share books that we've enjoyed that are set in other countries, and sample some tasty snacks too! All are welcome tonight - please see **Helen Emery** or **Sharon Broomhall** for more details, with Book Club taking place on the first Sunday of each month going forward. Thank you.



The **PCC** (the elected Trustees of St John's) have been busy over recent months thinking and praying through what our **Values** as a church might be for 2026 and beyond. These values are broad principles of **who we want to be under God** - qualities and practices through which God can shape our identity and guide our shared life together. This morning, Matt will briefly introduce the **Six Values** we've settled on - **Kindness, Humility, Integrity, Openness, Generosity and Inclusion** - before unpacking each

one in more detail as part of our Sunday morning services during January and February.

**Light For Children** are hosting a **Winter Warmer** fundraising afternoon from **2pm-4pm** on **Saturday 31st January**. With hot chocolate, crumpets, toasted teacakes, tea, coffee and cake, it should be a delicious day! **Tickets cost £5**, and are available from **Brian Buckley** or **Mike Emery**, or please see **Marie** in the church office, And please visit [www.lightforchildren.org.uk](http://www.lightforchildren.org.uk) to find out more about the great work they do in Romania - thank you.



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Members of local musical societies & Friends in Harmony present...



**7.30pm**  
**Fri 6<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Sat 7<sup>th</sup> March**  
 @ St John's Community Church

**Tickets: £10**  
 available from Church Office

A fundraiser for the work  
 of St John's in our community

**Godspell**  
 Conceived and Originally Directed  
 by JOHN-MICHAEL TEBELAK  
 MUSIC AND NEW LYRICS BY STEPHEN SCHWARTZ

We're really looking forward to hosting the musical **Godspell** for two nights on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March** and **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March**. With some fantastic songs, a live band, and featuring various members of local musical societies all expertly coordinated by John Nicholls, it promises to provide two thoroughly entertaining evenings! **Tickets cost £10** and are available from **Marg and John Nicholls**, or **Marie** in the church office, with all profits helping to fund our community work as a church. Thank you.



**10am**  
**Monday**  
**Service**

*A relaxed half hour of prayer,  
 worship & reflection  
 - all are welcome!*

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Our **Monday service** is back at **10am tomorrow** (Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January) - a gentle half hour of music, reflection and prayer to which all are welcome. Following the service, **The Drop Inn** returns from **10.30am-12.30pm** - a lovely time of hot and cold drinks, homemade cakes and friendly conversation. Again, all are welcome to the service or The Drop Inn - but many make a morning of it and come to both! **Talking Point** with Kathy Coe will also be available during Drop Inn, offering support to anybody with concerns about domestic violence and abuse.

**The**  
**Drop Inn**

Mondays 10.30-12.30  
 Tea, Coffee, Cake & Chat



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**Little Friends** is our pre-school baby and toddler group which takes place every **Wednesday afternoon** and **Thursday morning** during term time. It's a great mix of **toys, crafts, singing, snacks and chat**, and is a friendly, fun session for parents, carers and their young ones! We've got a **handful of spaces available on each day**, so if you'd like to come or to find out more, do please speak to **Gemma Wallace** (07980 653083).



**Pre-School Play**  
 @ St John's Community Church  
 Contact Gemma on 07980 653083  
 for more info

**Wednesdays**  
**12.45-2.45pm**  
**Thursdays**  
**9.15-11.15am**




**The funeral for Gina Fowler**, a much-loved member of our congregation, is taking place **here at St John's** at **1pm** on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January**. The church service will be followed by a short service of burial at Hammerwich Cemetery, on Burntwood Way, WS7 4XE. All are welcome as we give thanks for Gina, and commend her to her eternal home with Jesus. Do please keep all the family in your prayers at this sad time. Thank you.

## What's On...

For info on services and what's happening in general, please ring Marie in the Church Office on 01543 670078, visit our website [www.stjohnscommunitychurch.org.uk](http://www.stjohnscommunitychurch.org.uk), our [Facebook](#) page, and check out our [YouTube channel](#) for a range of talks and songs - thank you.

### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> January

10.00 - 11.15 10am Sunday Service  
 11.30 - 14.00 Shared Lunch  
 18.30 - 20.00 Book Club

### Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January

10.00 - 10.30 10am Monday Service  
 10.30 - 12.30 The Drop Inn & Talking Point  
 14.00 - 16.00 Bereavement Help Point  
 17.00 & 18.30 Slimming World  
 19.30 - 21.30 Godspell Rehearsal

### Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January

13.30 - 15.30 3C's Craft Group  
 13.45 - 15.00 Singing For Wellbeing

### Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January (continued)

17.30 - 20.15 Fitness Pilates  
 19.00 - 21.00 House Group

### Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January

10.00 - 11.00 Zumba  
 12.45 - 14.45 Little Friends  
 19.00 - 21.00 Harvester's House Group

### Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January

09.15 - 11.15 Little Friends  
 16.30 - 19.30 US Girls  
 19.30 - 21.00 F'n'F

### Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January

09.35 - 10.35 Diddi Dance

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January

10.00 - 11.15 10am Sunday Service

### Coming Up...

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Jan 1pm - Funeral for Gina Fowler  
 Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Jan 7pm - PCC Standing Cttee  
 Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Jan 11.30am - Funeral for Carolyne Kent  
 Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Jan 11.15am - Chase View Service  
 Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 7pm - PCC Meeting  
 Sat 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2pm - Winter Warmer  
 Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 1pm - Prayer Hour  
 Fri 6<sup>th</sup> & Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Mar 2026 - Godspell - The Musical  
 Fri 15<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm - Lichfield Rock Choir Concert  
 Mon 27<sup>th</sup> July 11am-3pm - Play in the Park

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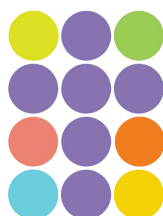
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