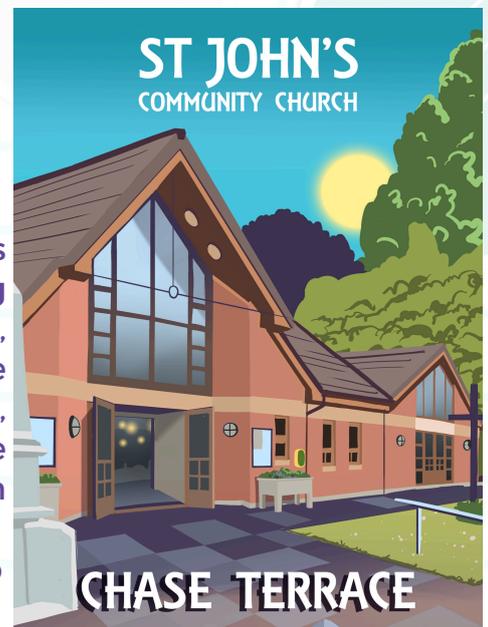


Sunday 8th March 2026

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...



In our 10am service this morning, Marie is leading and Laura is speaking, Alex and the band are leading our sung worship, while the Prayer Team are on hand to pray with during/after the service.



We're starting a new Sunday series this morning in the run up to Easter called 'Journey to Jerusalem', in which we'll be exploring some of the events that led to Jesus' crucifixion, and what these might have to teach us about how we live out our faith today. As usual, **all the talks will be recorded** and are available for catch up on our [YouTube channel](#) or on our [church website](#). We've also got our **Shooting Stars, Super Stars and The Mess** groups on offer for children and young people, and do feel free to stick around after the service to meet new folks or catch up with familiar faces over **refreshments** too!

With **Easter** coming up, here are the details of a number of **special services** taking place at



St John's during what's known as 'Holy Week', as we reflect on and celebrate the significance of Jesus' final journey to the cross, his crucifixion and his resurrection. **10am Palm Sunday 29th March** - 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 2nd April - A gentle, reflective evening service with Communion, as we recall the events and meaning of Jesus' Last Supper on the night before he died.

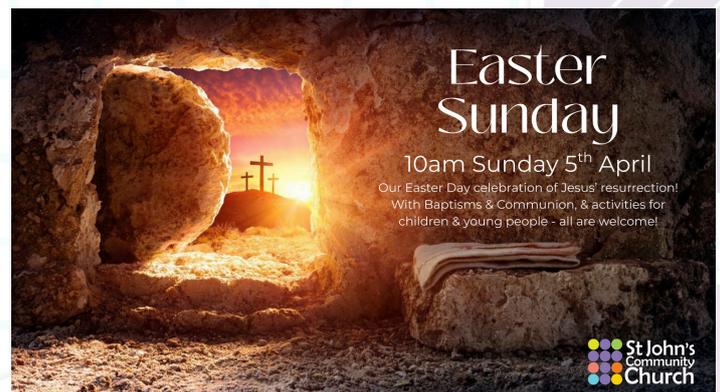


2pm Good Friday 3rd April - 'An Hour At The Cross'. This

is our meditative service on Good Friday afternoon, using led reflections, silence and music to engage with the significance of Jesus' death on the cross.

And then...

10am Easter Sunday 5th April - Our Easter Sunday morning resurrection celebration! With worship led by the band, prayers, an opportunity to reflect on the wonder of Jesus' resurrection, the invitation to share in Communion, baptisms, children's and young people's activities, plus refreshments too - all are welcome for the most special of mornings - hopefully see you there!





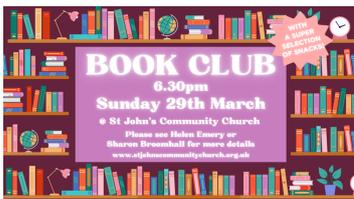
As mentioned overleaf, we'll be offering **full-immersion baptism** as part of our **10am service on Easter Sunday 5th April** - a chance to be baptised or to re-affirm baptism vows in our baptistry pool or at the font. It's a life-shaping decision and a special experience which is open to all - a unique way for people to publicly declare their faith in Jesus and for us to pray for God's God's Spirit to be with them. If you haven't been baptised and would like to be, or if you've been baptised or christened in your younger years and would like to claim the promises made on your behalf for yourself, **please have a chat with Laura, Marie, Marg or Nigel.**

Watercolour Dabblers are back at **10am-12pm** next **Saturday 14th March** for another morning of artistry! All levels of ability or experience are welcome for an enjoyable, peaceful time of painting, all expertly led by **Chris Hill**. It's a free session, but pre-booking is appreciated, so please sign up in the foyer, or chat with Chris (07888 730492) to book or find out more. Thank you.



⚡ We're looking forward to a number of our regular groups taking place at the end of March. **Creating Space** is back at 10am on **Saturday 28th March** for a morning of **Poetry Writing**. All are welcome - please see **Lesley Boulton** for more details. The next day, **Games Club: Cakes & Ladders** is on at **6pm** on

Sunday 29th March - again, all are welcome for a fun evening of board and card games. Feel free to just turn up, or see **Ian McKeown** or **J Haywood** for more info. And then on the same



evening, at **6.30pm on Sunday 29th March**, we've got another helping of **Book Club**. It's a relaxed and friendly evening of sharing and snacks, and this time we'll be chatting about 'The Housemaid' by Freida McFadden. Feel free to come along on the night, or please see **Helen Emery** or **Sharon Broomhall** for more details - thank you.

And finally... **Huge thanks** to everyone who helped at and supported **The Drop Inn Fundraiser for St Giles Hospice** last week. A whopping **£487.50** was raised for St Giles - a fantastic result! Thank you!

St Giles

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, our [Facebook](#) page, and check out our [YouTube channel](#) for a range of talks and songs...

Monday 9th March

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 Creative Community Choir
19.30 - 21.30 Godspell Rehearsal

Tuesday 10th March

13.30 - 15.30 Craft Group
13.45 - 15.00 Singing For Wellbeing
17.30 - 20.30 Fitness Pilates
19.00 - 21.00 House Group

Wednesday 11th March

10.00 - 11.00 Zumba
12.45 - 14.45 Little Friends

Thursday 12th March

09.15 - 11.15 Little Friends
16.30 & 18.00 US Girls
19.30 - 21.00 F'n'F
Friday 13th March
09.35 - 10.35 Diddi Dance
13.00 - 15.00 Mind Matters Burntwood

Saturday 14th March

09.00 - 12.00 BLAST Autism Club
10.00 - 12.00 Watercolour Dabblers

Sunday 15th March

10.00 - 11.15 10am Sunday Service

Coming Up:

Mon 23rd Mar 7pm - PCC Meeting
Sat 28th Mar 10am - Creating Space
Sun 29th Mar 6pm - Games Club
Sun 29th Mar 6.30pm - Book Club
Thu 2nd Apr 7pm - Maundy Thursday Service
Fri 3rd Apr 2pm - Good Friday Service
Sat 4th Apr 10am - Burntwood Repair Cafe
Sun 5th Apr 10am - Easter Sunday Service + Baptisms
Sun 19th April 10am - Annual Meeting (APCM)
Thu 21st & Fri 22nd May 7.30pm - Godspell: The Musical
Sat 20th June 4pm - Laura's Priesting @ Lichfield
Mon 27th July 11am-3pm - Play in the Park
Fri 25th Sep 7.30pm - Rock Choir Concert
Sat 28th Nov 12pm-3pm - Christmas Fayre

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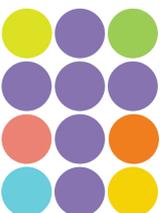
Curate: Laura Edwards: 07359 069392 / laura@stjohnscommunitychurch.org.uk

Caretaker: Nigel Procter: 07908 604578 **Little Friends:** Gemma Wallace: 07980 653083

Safeguarding: Kathy Louis: 07914 355404 / safeguarding@stjohnscommunitychurch.org.uk

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