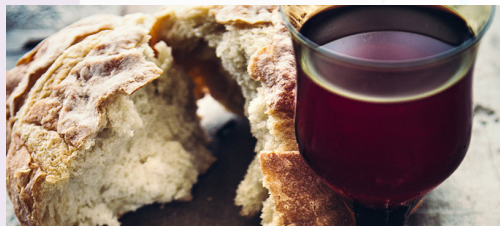
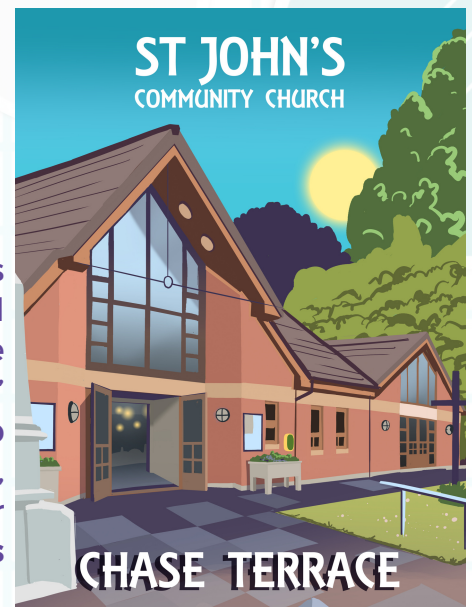


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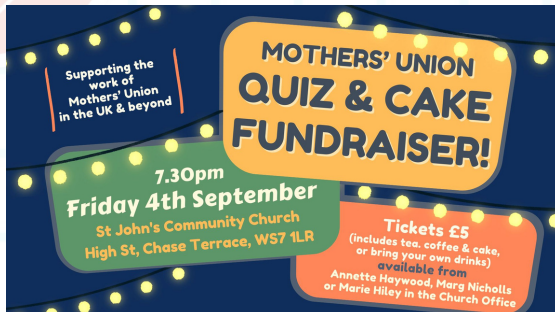
A very warm welcome to St John's Community Church. Whether this is your first time with us, or you've been part of our church for some time, it's great to see you...



In our 10am service this morning, **Laura** is leading and **Helen** is speaking as we continue our 'Everyday People' series. Alongside **sung worship** led by **Alex, Kat and the band**, and time to **pray**, we've got our **Sunday Stars** and **The Mess** groups for children and young people, and the **prayer team** are available too. We'll also be celebrating **Communion** as part of our service, which is always a special time. And then do stay on for **refreshments** if you can after the service too.

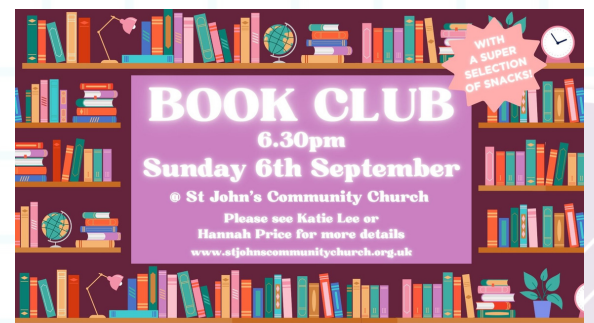


All are welcome to come along or stay on for our third and final (for this summer!) Sunday 'Picnic in the Park' on **Sunday 23rd August** - gathering in **Chase Terrace Park** next to church around 12.15pm or so (if the weather's dodgy, we'll stay in church for an indoor picnic!) **Please bring your own lunch**, blanket or chairs, plus outdoor games you might like to play, for a fun, relaxed time of food and friendship.



Burntwood Chase Mothers' Union are holding a 'Quiz and Cake' Fundraiser at 7.30pm on **Friday 4th September** to celebrate 150 years of MU. **Tickets cost £5** and are available from **Annette Haywood** or from the **Church Office**, with all proceeds going to support the great work that Mothers' Union are involved with through their projects in the UK and beyond. It's bring your own drinks, with hot drinks provided - thank you.

Book Club is back after their summer break, gathering at 6.30pm on **Sunday 6th September**. Overseen by new leaders **Katie Lee** and **Hannah Price**, it's a relaxed, friendly time of sharing on a particular book or theme (with great snacks too!) This coming session, we'll be discussing '**Remarkably Bright Creatures**' by **Shelby Van Pelt** - while the film starring **Sally Field** is available on Netflix if that's more your scene! All are welcome!



Pub Club is back from 7.30pm on **Friday 11th September**, when we'll be gathering at **The Malt Shovel** (Lower Lane, Chorley, WS13 8DD). If you fancy a fun night out, you'll be in good company, and it's an ideal night to bring friends along. The Malt Shovel has a big pub garden, so all being well, it'll be a tropical late summer night for us to enjoy together! Please see **Matt, Marg Nigel** or **Marie** for more info. Thank you.



Being With

Being With is a new **10-week course** that we'll be running at **10am-12pm** on Tuesday mornings, starting on **Tuesday 29th September**. It's a chance to **explore the Christian faith** and its relevance to our lives now - but it's not your typical course! It's a space for anyone who's curious about faith, exploring Christianity, or maybe just wondering where they stand with it all. You might be returning to faith after some time away, asking whether what you once believed still holds

true, or maybe you've had experiences of church that left you unsure. **Being With** offers something gentler - a place where you can listen, share and reflect alongside others, with no pressure and no judgement. No special knowledge needed - just what you have learned in life so far! The course is being overseen by **Laura Edwards** and **Helen Emery** - if you'd be interested in coming, please sign up on the list in the foyer, or to find out more, feel free to speak to them in person, or get in touch by emailing laura@stjohnscommunitychurch.org.uk or via the Church Office on **01543 670078**. We're trialling it as a daytime course this time, but are hoping to offer it again in the future on a midweek evening - we'll keep you posted! Thank you.



The funeral for **Elanor Tye** will take place here at St John's at **11.30am** on **Wednesday 19th August**, following an earlier **service of committal** at **Hammerwich Crematorium** at **10.30am**. All are welcome as we give thanks for Elanor and commit her into God's eternal care. **Please pray for Dave, Archer, Anna, and all the family** at this incredibly difficult time, that they may know God's comfort, peace and strength. Thank you very much.

Light for Children - one of the charities we support as a church, and who work supporting children and young people in Romania - are hosting a concert by **Lichfield Rock Choir**, here at St John's at **7.30pm** on **Friday 25th September**. All are welcome for an enjoyable evening. **Tickets cost £8** (which includes light refreshments), and are available from **Brian Buckley, Mike Emery** or from **Marie** in the **Church Office**.



Games Club: Cakes & Ladders returns at **6pm** on **Sunday 27th September** for another fun evening where a warm welcome awaits! A variety of board and card games of different themes and styles will be on offer for all tastes and abilities, along with the finest of cakes and snacks! Feel free to just turn up, or please have a chat with **Ian McKeown** (07494 913670) for more details.

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 10th August

10.00 - 10.30 10am Monday Service
10.30 - 12.00 The Drop Inn & Talking Point
14.00 - 16.00 Bereavement Help Point
17.00 & 18.30 Slimming World

Tuesday 11th August

13.30 - 15.30 Craft Group
17.30 - 20.30 Fitness Pilates

Wednesday 12th August

09.30 - 10.30 Zumba
19.00 - 21.00 House Groups

Thursday 13th August

16.30 & 18.00 US Girls

Friday 14th August

13.00 - 15.00 MIND Matters

Sunday 16th August

10.00 - 11.15 10am Sunday Service

Coming Up...

Wed 19th Aug 11.30am - Funeral for Elanor Tye
Sun 23rd Aug 12.15pm - Picnic in the Park
Fri 4th Sep 7.30pm - Mothers' Union Quiz
Sun 6th Sep 6.30pm - Book Club
Fri 11th Sep 7.30pm - Pub Club
Fri 25th Sep 7.30pm - Rock Choir Concert
Sat 26th Sep 10am - Creating Space
Sun 27th Sep 6pm - Games Club

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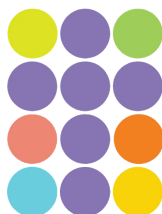
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