

# Sunday 30th August 2026

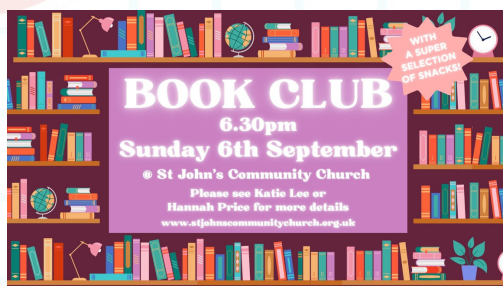
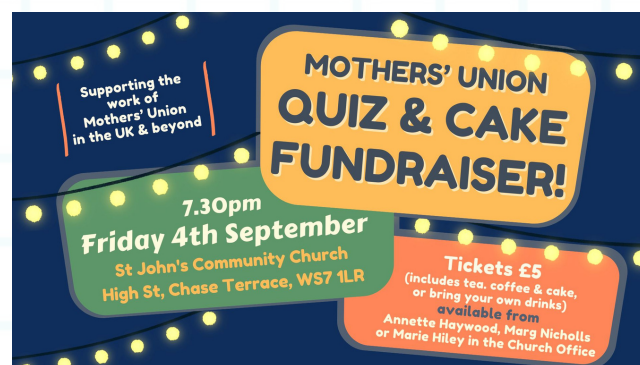
A very warm welcome to St John's Community Church. Whether this is your first time with us, or you've been part of our church for some time, it's great to see you...



In our 10am service this morning, we're concluding our 'Everyday People' series, with Linda leading and speaking, exploring the area of **Simplicity**. We'll have the opportunity for sung worship, time to pray,

with the **prayer team** available too, plus a joint **Sunday Stars** group for younger ones. And then do stay on for **refreshments** if you can, for a chance to catch up with folks and meet new people. There's **no 10am Monday service** or **Drop Inn** tomorrow as it's the bank holiday, but we'll be back to normal from next week.

**Burntwood Chase Mothers' Union** are holding a 'Quiz and Cake' Fundraiser at 7.30pm this Friday 4th September to celebrate 150 years of MU. Tickets cost £5 and are available from **Annette Haywood** or **Marg Nicholls**, with all proceeds going to support Mothers' Union projects in the UK and beyond. **John Nicholls** is our quizmaster, it's bring your own drinks, with hot drinks (and cake!) provided. Hopefully see you there!



**Book Club** is back after their summer break, gathering at 6.30pm next **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 is available on Netflix too. 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.



**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**. Thank you.



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**Prayer Hour** takes place on the **first Saturday of each month**, with the next gathering happening at **1pm-2pm** next **Saturday 5th September**. It's a chance to meet together to pray for the needs of our church and community. All are welcome for a relaxed but focussed time of prayer - please feel free to just turn up, or see **Karen Procter** to find out more.



**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.

**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, and the course offers space to share, listen and reflect alongside others. 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](mailto:laura@stjohnscommunitychurch.org.uk) or via the Church Office on **01543 670078**.



Although the exceptionally dry and hot summer we've had is a real cause for concern in terms of climate change, on the plus side, it's been a productive season for our **newly installed solar panels**. Since the beginning of May, the impact of this clean energy has been the equivalent of **planting 2,410 trees**, which equals a **reduction of 2,390kg of CO2** and **293 litres of oil**. We're also saving a significant amount on our electricity bill each month, so it's a win-win

all round! As part of our calling to care for God's creation, **we're committed as a church to doing all we can** to reduce our emissions, limit our reliance on fossil fuels, minimise our use of non-recyclable waste, and look after the greenspace around our church building. If you'd be interested in helping us to explore further ways to become more eco-friendly, **do please have a chat with Matt, or anyone on the PCC** - the Trustees of the church. 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...

#### Monday 31st August

\*\*No Service or Drop Inn - Bank Holiday\*\*

17.00 & 18.30 Slimming World

#### Tuesday 1st September

13.30 - 15.30 Craft Group

13.45 - 15.00 Singing For Health & Wellbeing

17.30 - 20.30 Fitness Pilates

19.30 - 21.30 Burntwood Heritage Group

#### Wednesday 2nd September

09.30 - 10.30 Zumba

19.00 - 21.00 House Groups

#### Thursday 3rd September

16.30 & 18.00 US Girls

19.30 - 21.00 F'n'F

#### Friday 4th September

13.00 - 15.00 MIND Matters

15.30 - 15.50 Diocese Pilgrimage Stop

19.30 - 22.00 MU Quiz & Cake Night

#### Saturday 5th September

13.00 - 14.00 Prayer Hour

#### Sunday 6th September

10.00 - 11.15 10am Sunday Service

18.30 - 19.45 Book Club

#### Coming Up...

Mon 7th Sep 7pm - PCC Standing Committee

Fri 11th Sep 7.30pm - Pub Club

Mon 21st September 7pm - PCC Meeting

Fri 25th Sep 7.30pm - Rock Choir Concert

Sat 26th Sep 10am - Creating Space

Sun 27th Sep 6pm - Games Club

Tue 29th Sep 10am - 'Being With' Course Starts

Sat 3rd Oct 10am - Watercolour Dabblers

Sun 1st Nov 6pm - Curry Club

Sat 7th Nov 2pm - Hong Kong Tea

Sat 28th Nov 12pm - Christmas Fayre

Sun 13th Dec 6pm - Carol Service

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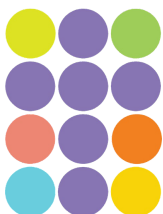
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