# WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

8.00am Sun

**Holy Communion** 

10.00am

All Together service

Reading:

Jesus said, "I am the Resurrection and the Life". John

11:25

11.30am

**Holy Communion** 

6.30pm

No service

Mon – Thursday

No regular activities in the school holidays.

Fri

10 to 12 noon Coffee & chat at SJ's

# **NEXT SUNDAY – 1<sup>st</sup> September**

8.00am

**Holy Communion** 

10.00am

All Together Service

11.30am

**Holy Communion** 

6.30pm

No service

Margaret will be on annual leave from 19<sup>th</sup> August to 2<sup>nd</sup> September. Items for Weekly News should be sent to Jon by the end of Wednesday each week.



### THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

On two occasions Saul tried to kill David by throwing his spear at him but David dodged out of the way each time. Why did Saul want to kill David?

Read 1 Samuel 18: 6-

# PRAYER MEETINGS @ SJ's at 8pm

Prayer Meeting for Link to Hope Mon 2nd September 7.45pm- 9.30 pm Following meetings are 9th, 16th and 23rd September, 8pm @ SJs. No meeting 30th September.



25<sup>th</sup> August 2019 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity













# **NEW TERM** LOOMING

I don't want to prematurely draw a curtain on the Summer season, especially not on a Bank Holiday when we've actually got some sunshine! But as we approach the start of a new academic year as a church, there are a few new ventures and updates in the pipeline for the Autumn:

- Going online with 'Church Suite' the new tool for some of our Communications and Publicity:
- Refreshing / Development of our Teams;
- An experimental initiative called 'Learning Leadership';
- Our Church Weekend Away.

I'm deliberately not giving details as yet, but keep your eyes open for information on all these things in the coming weeks. In the meantime, enjoy the whatever is left of the sunny days.

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#### WELCOME

If you are joining us for the first time today and wish to find out more about what goes on then introduce yourself to one of our leadership team or fill in one of our Connect Cards. Equally, help yourself to any of our packs, which explain a bit more of what's going on in our church family.



### **THANK YOU**

In September you will receive a further update about the Sunday morning and

mid-week activities available for our children and young people. Very slight changes are being made that will hopefully ensure that these activities best support our children, young people and families.

Our mid-week group 14+ is set to have the biggest change as it moves from a Thursday to a Tuesday evening. All three of our mid-week groups will then be on the same evening helping the children and young people to transition between the different age groups. This has come after many months of consideration.

One of the huge disadvantages of this change is that Guy Harris will no longer be able to lead the group. Guy and Rachel initially took on the responsibility of the role two years ago. Over the last year Guy has mentored and supported these young

people and has talked openly and passionately about his faith, sharing with them what it means for him in his everyday life. Amber and the young people are going to miss the weekly input, enthusiasm and passion that he has poured into 14+.

So, a big thank you Guy and Rachel for all you have done for 14+ over the last couple of years.



# TODAY OPEN CHURCH

We'll be opening the church on Sunday

afternoons 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> August between 2pm and 5pm, to visitors, offering refreshments and history tours of the church/churchyard. If you would like to be involved – could offer an hour or so on the day to assist visitors, want to help prepare the church, or generally contribute, but couldn't make the recent meeting, or if you have any questions, then please contact Dawn Tickner on 0208 462 1573 or speak with Jackie Barter.

Would anyone be prepared to make a cake for the Open Church afternoons? Also, we would like to do a board of more recent history of St Johns i.e. not Victorian, so we are asking if anyone could let us have copies of photos or mementos of events. If you can help with either request, please contact Dawn on 07985943158. Many thanks.



#### **SUMMER HOLS**

We are continuing summer series looking at some of Jesus' 'I am...' sayings. Don't

forget, these 'All Together' services start with refreshments at 9.45am.



#### **FOODBANK**

Below is the full list of most needed items:

Squash, Vegetables (especially tinned carrots), Cooking sauce, Custard, Rice pudding, Shampoo, & Washing detergent. Items can be left in the box in the porch. Thank you so much for your continuing support.



# THE TURNING – NEXT MEETING

On Tuesday evening, 7.30pm 27th August at Coney Hill Baptist

Church. This is an opportunity to hear a bit more about what will be happening in September, as well as plan and prayer for the event. Do come along, and invite as many others as you can.



#### **PRAYERS**

Please pray for:

 The Morgan family, as they prepare to

- settle back into life in the UK;
- All those who have received exam results in the last few weeks, and how that might impact their future;
- The direction of our country as we draw nearer to the Brexit deadline;
- Beatrice and Ben, as they start a new family placement;
- Our 'I Am...' Summer Series that we would discover new truths about Jesus and how he sustains us.
- The forging of close links with Wickham Grange as they begin to promote the new housing development;



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