

Sunday Morning Worship

8.00am to 1pm

"Come when you can & Go when you like"

8.00	Morning Prayer
8.30	Traditional Communion
9.00	Refreshments
9.30	Songs of Praise
10.00	Welcome, Worship, Word
10.30	Communion www.com
11.00	Refreshments
11.30	All Age Worship
12.00	All Age Communion
12.30	Food & Friendship

Sunday Mornings for Children & Youth

Junior Church is now on a Summer break but will be back in September.

10am PACT TODAY in Café Area
Puzzles And Colouring Together or Parents And Children Together!

Prayer

Prayer ministry is available in the Prayer Chapel during Communion in the 10.30 slot and at other times by arrangement - please ask.

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Sunday 27th August 2017

Welcome

Welcome to St John's, especially if this is your first visit here. We hope that you enjoy worshipping with us. Our worship programme is outlined on the back of this sheet.

Today's Theme

A Call to Praise

Today's Readings

Psalm 150

Praise the LORD.
Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty heavens.
Praise him for his acts of power;
praise him for his surpassing greatness.
Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet,
praise him with the harp and lyre,
praise him with tambourine and dancing,
praise him with the strings and pipe,
praise him with the clash of cymbals,
praise him with resounding cymbals.
Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.
Praise the LORD.

Philippians chp4: 4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me – put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you

Psalm 34: 4-9

I sought the Lord, and he answered me;
he delivered me from all my fears.
Those who look to him are radiant;
their faces are never covered with shame.
This poor man called, and the Lord heard him;
he saved him out of all his troubles.
The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him,
and he delivers them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.
Fear the Lord, you his holy people,
for those who fear him lack nothing.

Ephesians 1:3-6

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us for adoption to sonship¹ through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will – to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.

Today's Conversation Question: *Life can be hard when we are suffering and hurting. How easy is it to praise God in these circumstances?*

For your prayers

Charlie Clark who is being Baptised today
Rachel Read and Matthew Lomasney who are getting married Saturday.

Those having their Banns of marriage read out this morning for a 3rd and final time :

Naomi Harrison and Joshua Maxted

Rachael Read and Matthew Lomasney

Jemimah, Ben, Tyra, Megan and Tom all being confirmed by Bishop Pete next Sunday

Today

Coffee is served by Nadja and Christine

Prayer Ministry is available in the Prayer Chapel during mid morning communion

This evening at 7.30pm the LGBT Group meets in church for any local Christians and those interested in Christianity, for people who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and their straight friends, for mutual support.

Theme for August

For this August we are going to have "Summer Psalms & Songs" as our theme. We were encouraged by our August theme last year "Summer Psalms" and thought we would take a further look at the songbook of God's people, especially as there are 150 Psalms in the book!

Theme for September

Our vision and purpose is being formulated and confirmed. Following prayer, discussion and reflection this reached a threshold stage in late June/early July. God has helped us reach a key stage and we need to look at this Church together. God has helped us with clarity and I wish to share what we now have with the whole Church. This will be over the latter three weeks of September, following the Confirmation Service on the first Sunday in September.

This Week

Sunday 8am-1pm Sunday 2pm Baptism Worship LGBT meeting 7:30pm

Monday 9:30am Churchyard 7pm Bellringing 7.30pm Mandolin Monday

Tuesday Jazz 12pm 6.30pm Office Hour

Wednesday 9:00am cleaning 12noon Words & Music 1.30pm Knitting

Thursday 9.30am Morning Prayer Jazz 12noon 4pm Confirmation rehearsal 6.30pm HYB (church hire) 8pm Music Group practise

Friday Jazz 12noon 7pm singers 8pm Bell ringing

Saturday 12noon-4pm Guitar lessons (Grundon Room) 2:30pm Wedding

Eco News & Advice

Eco Festival 30th September 1pm-5pm. The Eco Festival programme has now been finalised and there are some very interesting highlights, including a talk by John Randall on birdwatching, speakers from the Ruislip Beekeeping Association and also the local Rural Activities centre. There will be crafts, refreshments and entertainment. Tours of the conservation work taking place in the churchyard will also be on offer. Our Harvest Festival will take place the following day, with donations (cash or cheque) being invited for Hillingdon Foodbank and Wateraid. In the afternoon there will be an "Eco" themed local walk followed by cream teas. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help so far, but we still need helpers for setting up on Friday evening and clearing away on Saturday afternoon. Homemade cakes are also requested. To help us advertise the Eco Festival by having an Estate Agents notice board put up in the front of your home please speak to Christine or Brenda

Have you been on a foreign holiday and have left over foreign coins? Don't throw them away or stick them in a drawer, the RSPCA charity shop at Crescent Parade will take them from you.

website of the week: <http://www.eschooltoday.com/waste-recycling/what-is-recycling.html> - this site has lots of interesting information about what happens to our recycling.

General News

Confirmation News Details/Timings of the 3rd of September confirmation service will be announced today. Please check as other services may be disrupted. On Thursday at 4pm we will have a short rehearsal for those being confirmed on Sunday 3rd September.

Church cleaning takes place every Wednesday morning between 9am-11.30am. Anyone is welcome to come and help, there are jobs for all abilities! All equipment is provided. On Monday mornings 9.30am-12noon, the churchyard team meet to work on maintaining the churchyard. Anyone is welcome to come and help.

As part of our "Health & Safety for All" policy, we will be having a fire drill on a Sunday morning sometime over the next few weeks. We will try not to disrupt the worship too much. Please make sure you familiarise yourself with the fire exits and meeting place (outside on the grass by the red phone box) and if in doubt, please ask one of the Welcome Team, Churchwardens, Alan or Christine.

Summer Holidays: If you are thinking of going to London in the summer holidays don't forget we have free passes for West Minster Abbey and St Paul's Cathedral. **St Paul's Cathedral** have a special "Summer Lates" when you can visit the cathedral after hours on 7 evenings during the summer holidays. There are special family trails and the crypt café and shop will also be open. stpauls.co.uk for dates and ticket prices (the passes would not apply to this event)

The metal gate to the south area of the Church yard has recently been renovated by Steve Birt (Christine Turners Son in law) in memory of Albert Freeland. There will be a special dedication ceremony on Sat 7th October at 12pm.