

This Week

Easter Sunday 8am-1pm Sunday Worship,
Monday 9:30am Churchyard Team, 7pm
Bellringing, 8pm Mandolin Monday.
Tuesday 12:30pm Jazz, 6:30pm –7:15pm
Wedding Bookings, 7:30pm Accordion Band,
7:30pm PCC Meeting.
Wednesday 9:30am Church Cleaning,
12noon Words and Music, 1:30pm Knitting Group.
Thursday 9:30am Morning Prayer, 12noon Jazz,
6:30pm HYB, 8pm Worship Team Practice.
Friday 10am Let's Go, 3:30pm All Star Event
Saturday Grundon Room hire.

Services:

Early Morning: 8am, 8:30am
Mid-Morning: 9:30am Songs of Praise
10-11am Welcome, Worship,
Word & Communion
Late Morning: 11:45am, 12pm
with lunch @ 12:30pm

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The Link 

Sunday 5th May 2019

Welcome to St. John's

We hope you enjoy worshipping with us

**Theme: Introduction The Garden of
Eden and the Burning Bush.**

**Readings: Genesis2:8-15 & 25
Genesis3:1-10 & 22-23, Exodus3:1-5
and Revelation21:3-4**

Genesis2:8-15 & 25

8 Now the LORD God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had formed. 9 The LORD God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground—trees that were pleasing to the eye and good for food. In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

10 A river watering the garden flowed from Eden; from there it was separated into four headwaters. 11 The name of the first is the Pishon; it winds through the entire land of Havilah, where there is gold. 12 (The gold of that land is good; aromatic resin and onyx are also there.) 13 The name of the second river is the Gihon; it winds through the entire land of Cush. 14 The name of the third river is the Tigris; it runs along the east side of Ashur. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

15 The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. 25 Adam and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.

Genesis3:1-10 & 22-23

The Fall

3 Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

² The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, ³ but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'" ⁴ "You will not certainly die," the serpent said to the woman. ⁵ "For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

⁶ When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

8 Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the

LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?"

10 He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."

22 And the LORD God said, "The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever."

23 So the LORD God banished him from the Garden of Eden to work the ground from which he had been taken.

Exodus3:1-5

Moses and the Burning Bush

3 Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. 2 There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. 3 So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up."

4 When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!"

And Moses said, "Here I am."

5 "Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground."

Revelation21:3-4

3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 4 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away'

Question/Point to Ponder? Is the idea of intimacy with God and God's presence new for you?

Today-

Coffee is served by Nikki and Eunice

Prayer Ministry available in the Prayer Chapel during mid-morning communion.

For your Prayers: King's Kids Pray for all the organisation and arrangements for King's Kids in St. Andrew's park (John Locke School) on Sunday 19th May. Pray that the children and leaders will have a good time and grow in understanding and faith.

Members of the PCC meeting this Tuesday.

Theme for May: God's Presence Storyline.

5th May— Introduction, The Garden of Eden/ The Burning Bush.

12th May— The Tabernacle.

19th May— The Temple.

26th May— Emmanuel The Presence Is With Us, The Heavenly Presence

Prayers from around the World.

Algeria

Pray for peace and stability following the mass protests that led to President Bouteflika's resignation. Elections have been postponed for three months. Ask God to raise up new leaders who will govern wisely and bring greater freedom to Algeria's people.

Algeria

Praise God for the continuing growth of the church in Algeria. Although pressure from the government has grown, people have stayed faithful to God and new members are being added to the church. Ask God to continue to build His church.

Syria

Many children have been traumatised by years of war and are in desperate need of good role models. Pray for young leaders involved in youth ministry, Sunday Schools and children & ministry. Pray that they will radiate Christ's love.

Syria

Thank God for Pastor Abdalla, who chose to stay in Aleppo during the war. His church is now a Centre of Hope, providing children & activities, discipleship training and training courses for adults. Pray that he will continue to be a light shining in the darkness.



ECO News



Go green - Shopping. (Packaging)

Whenever possible, try to buy products that are in recycled packaging. Some packaging can be reused in the home. Use jars & containers for storage, crafts or to make gifts. Remember to use the council recycling bags. Shop Less Frequently and cut down the number of times that you go to the shops to save fuel and make a big difference for the environment. Buy Food in Season and help to reduce products being shipped long distances

General News

Leaving a Legacy: If you are considering leaving a legacy in your will to St. John's please email our Stewardship Officer Di Newman on diane.stjohns@gmail.com for further information or leave a note in the red posting box.

Monday Group—will be meeting on the 13th May and not the 6th May.

Answers to Prayer —Please chat or email Alan if you have had any answers to prayer in the last few weeks.

★ All Stars returns Friday 10th May 2019

Kings Kids returns Sunday 19th May 2019