

## This Week

Sun  
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**Church Family Lunch** to follow the Morning Service. (suggested donation of £2 per person), this is open to all, even if you weren't able to be at the rest of the weekend.

**\* There will be no 4pm or 6.30pm service \***

Tue  
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**Prayer Gathering.** 10.00-11.30am (crèche provided)

Wed  
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**Day Centre** (for older people)

10am – 2.30pm

**Prayer Gathering.** 8.00-9.30pm, refreshments from 7.30pm

Thu  
5

**Explorers** (Y2-6) 6.00 – 7.00pm

**Club114** (Y7-9) 6.30 – 8.00pm

Fri  
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**Stay and Play** (baby and toddler group) 10.00am – 11.30am

Sun  
8

**All Age Service at 10am and 4pm,** Let's get ready for it! Try and have a look at John 15:1-17 ahead of time.

**Cross Section** (Y10-13)

5.30 – 7.00pm, toasties included

**6.30pm** Holy Communion Service

*We have weekly Fellowship Groups.  
Speak to Chris Hobbs to find out more.*

## Looking Ahead

Mon 9

**Women's book club** are reading 'Killing fields, Living fields', Speak to Elizabeth or Chris Stonehouse for more information. All Women welcome!

Sat 14

**Church Family Walk.** Wyre Forest. Details to follow, speak to the Checketts to find out more.

## OUT OF THIS WORLD HOLIDAY CLUB

**Aug 28<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>, 10am-12noon at St Stephens.**

Sign up forms are in the foyer; take lots to invite school friends!

Lots of exciting ways that you can help, see the big sign up sheet in the foyer.

### News and Requests

**Stay and Play needs you!** This ministry is bursting at the seams and is a really exciting place to welcome people into church. We need help though, and there are lots of different ways, even if you aren't free on Friday mornings, and even if you don't enjoy working with children! See the sign up sheet in the foyer.

**Our Stories.** A book of testimonies from our Church Family is now available! £3 for 1 or a bargain at 4 for £10, so you can give some to friends and family. Pick yours up today and prepare to be encouraged by the amazing things God has done!

**Samuel Thornhill has moved** to Greenacres 39 Vesey Rd, Sutton Coldfield, B76 1DN.

### Church Suite is here!

You should have now been sent an invitation to churchsuite, this means you can use it as a system on your desktop or as an app on your smartphone or tablet.

You'll be able to see events and church family contact information, and soon the rota feature will be in full use!

See Jem Huggins if you have any questions, big or small.



ST STEPHENS AND ST WULSTANS SELLY PARK

1<sup>st</sup> July 2018

*making and maturing disciples  
of Jesus Christ*

### 10.00am Morning Service

The God who can't change, die, suffer or be tempted

*Nick Tucker*

### No 4.00pm or 6.30pm services today

**Children** will go to their activities part way through the service.

**All children and young people under 14** leave through the main doors and will be guided to their rooms.

**Crèche** (under 3's) is in the Cranmer Room.

**Sunday Club** (3-10): (**Scramblers, Climbers and Explorers**) Today we will see that God sometimes gives his people difficult problems to help them learn to trust him. God is always ready to help his people. We'll be looking at Exodus 17: 1 - 16

**Club114** (11-14) will be preparing Church Family lunch in the kitchen.

**Refreshments** are served after the service.

**Toilets** are in the foyer and upstairs; baby-changing facilities are in the disabled toilets.

**Senior Minister (Vicar):** Chris Hobbs

**Assistant Minister:** Andy Martin

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## New? Welcome!



You are very welcome – whether you are looking into Christianity for the first time, have been a Christian for years, or are looking for a church in Birmingham.



Please complete the tear-off slip overleaf and give it to one of the staff or welcome team wearing a badge, or place it in the Gifts Box at the back of church. We will get in touch with you shortly. Please also help yourself to a Welcome Booklet from the display in the Foyer.

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# Morning Service

We would love to keep you informed about our news, events and services.

Please tick this box so we can do this, and write your details below:

**Name/s**

**Address**

**Phone**

**Email**

**Date**

Please tick below If you would like us to contact you with information about any of the following:

- Being a Christian
- Newcomers' events
- Small Groups
- Pre-school activities
- Children's / Youth Work
- Student events
- Giving to the church

If you have a specific question you would like answered please write it below:

## Sermon Notes:

The God who can't change, die, suffer or be tempted.

**What have I learnt...  
To praise God for?**

**To say sorry for?**

**To turn into a request?**

**Missed a sermon recently?**

Visit [www.sssw.org.uk](http://www.sssw.org.uk)

**OPENING PRAYER** *Chris Hobbs*

**HYMN** Great is thy faithfulness

**SONG** Who has held the oceans in his hands

## CONFESSION

and **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

**Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus**

**Christ, we confess that we have sinned in**

**thought, word and deed. We have not loved**

**you with our whole heart. We have not loved**

**our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy**

**forgive what we have been, help us to amend**

**what we are, and direct what we shall be;**

**that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk**

**humbly with you, our God.**

**SONG** Oh God he always keeps his promises

## NEWS

*After which children and young people leave  
for their activities*

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

**PRAYERS** *Jem Huggins*

ending with **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come, your will be done, on**

**earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily**

**bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those**

**who sin against us. Lead us not into**

**temptation but deliver us from evil. For the**

**kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours**

**now and forever. Amen.**

**SONG** How great the chasm

**BIBLE READING** *Pippa Nicolson*

James 1:12-18 (page 1213)

**SERMON** *Nick Tucker*

The God who can't change, die, suffer or be  
tempted.

**DISCUSSION AND PRAYER** *in small groups*

**HYMN** O Lord my God

*Please collect your child from crèche*

## CLOSING PRAYER

*Please stay for refreshments, and then for  
Church Family Lunch!*