

This Week

Wed 6 Aug Prayer Gathering. 8.00-9.30pm at St Wulstan's. Come and chat over coffee, tea and cakes beforehand, 7.30-7.55pm.

Looking ahead

Wed 13 Aug 'An evening in China' The first of our Summer Socials, hosted by Nick and Pamela Devas,

Wed 20 Aug Pudding Party, our second Summer Social hosted by David and Margaret Twiss at

Wed 27 Aug An evening at the Selly Park Tavern. The third Summer Social. There will be a pub quiz, but it's not compulsory! Meeting at 7.45pm.

Sat 4 Oct The Midlands Women's Convention 'Restore and Reform – God's Word to Nehemiah' : Carrie Sandom. Leaflets on the Information Table.

News, Notices and Requests

Building for the Future News: The floor of the office at St Stephen's has completely disappeared and preparations for putting in the foundations of the Parish Centre are under way.

Help needed. Refreshment helpers are still in high demand, please speak to Margaret Twiss if you are interested. Jem Huggins is still looking for **button pushers**. New additions to the welcome team members are needed, if you would like to be a **sidesperson** or a **welcomer** please speak to Jem Huggins.

Midlands Ministry Training Course: to help understand and teach the Bible, to be better equipped to serve in a wide variety of contexts. One or two years, based in Birmingham at St Wulstan's. Enrolling now for September 2014. Brochures on the Information Table.

Certificate in Biblical Counselling. Biblical Counselling UK, is offering a two year Certificate in Biblical Counselling – on Tuesday evenings in Nottingham. Applications are invited for the new intake starting in September 2014. This comes from the same 'stable' as the 'How People Change' course. Details on the Information Table.

Food Hygiene. This is for anyone who helps out in the kitchen at church, a course will be run in a few weeks time, let Jem know if you are interested in signing up.

Nick and Pamela are happy to be back with you. We are now back in our house

The Martins have moved into and can be reached on Andy's email address is:

The Leadbeaters have moved to Email addresses are the same.

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ST STEPHENS AND ST WULSTANS SELLY PARK



August 3rd 2014

Welcome

If you are new, please say 'hello' and pick up a Welcome booklet at the back of Church.

10.00am Morning Service for All Ages

'People who met Jesus: The persecutor (Acts 9:1-19a) – Chris Hobbs

Children and young people will stay in the service.

0-3's Crèche is in the back room, children can be dropped off after the notices, and picked up during the final hymn.

Toilets are in the foyer.

Coffee, tea and biscuits are served after the service.

6.00pm Evening Service with Holy Communion

'The earth is the Lord's' (Psalm 24) – Andy Martin

Coffee, tea and cakes are served after the service.

Talk notes

People who met Jesus: The Persecutor *Acts 9:1-19a*

Saul gets:

- **A NEW PERSON** to live for (v1-9)

- **A NEW PEOPLE** to belong to (v10-19a)

- **A NEW PLAN** to carry out (v15-16)

Missed a sermon recently? Please visit www.sssw.org.uk to hear or download an audio version.

OPENING PRAYER *led by Andy Martin*

HYMN *Amazing grace*

CONFESSION

If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sin, God is faithful and just; he will forgive us our sins, and cleanse us from every kind of wrong.

God our Father, we come to you in sorrow for our sins.

For turning away from you, and ignoring your will for our lives;

All Father forgive us, save us and help us.

For behaving just as we want to without thinking of you;

All Father forgive us, save us and help us.

For failing you by what we do and think and say;

All Father forgive us, save us and help us.

For living as if we were ashamed to belong to your Son;

All Father forgive us, save us and help us.

In your great love for us, and because Jesus died for our sins;

All Father forgive us, save us and help us.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that you forgive all who truly turn to you. May your Holy Spirit give us strength to love and serve you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

SONG *How broad, how long, how high, how deep*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

BIBLE READINGS *Acts 19:1-19a (page 1115), 1 Timothy 1:12-17 (page 1191)*
(This is the word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**)

TALK *People who met Jesus: the persecutor*

SONG *When I was lost*

PRAYERS (Lord in your mercy; **Hear our prayer**)

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.

NOTICES

INTERVIEW with Nick and Pamela Devas

SONG *O great God Please collect your child from crèche*

CLOSING PRAYER

COLLECTION Gifts may be placed in the Gifts box at the back