

## This Week

Tue  
5 Sep

**Prayer Gathering**, 10.00 – 11:30am.  
Crèche provided.

Wed  
6 Sep

**Prayer Gathering** 8.00 – 9.30pm.  
Refreshments 7.30 – 7.55pm.

Fri  
8 Sep

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

## Looking Ahead

Mon  
11 Sep

**Women's Book Group** are meeting at 8pm to discuss 'Kisses from Katie'. Speak to Chris Stonehouse or Elizabeth Barry for more information.

Sun  
17 Sep

**Church Family Lunch** straight after the morning service. Please do stay and eat with us.

Fri/Sat  
22/23  
Sep

**Women's Weekend: 'Finding Contentment'**, at St Stephen's. A chance to spend time together and learn from God's word. See Jem Huggins for more details.

6-8  
Oct

**Youth Weekend Away.** Watch this space for more details, but save the date!

## News and Requests

Are you able to take a post-Holiday Club **trip to the recycling centre?** If so, please speak to Helen Buckley.

**Church Weekend Away**, 10-12 Nov. 'Ready Steady Grow'. We want everyone to come if they can. Single rooms and concessions are available. See separate leaflet in the foyer for details and to book. Please put completed forms in an envelope together with money/cheque, and mark for the attention of the Parish Office, and put in the Parish Office pigeon-hole in the foyer.

**Equip, starts Wed 13 Sept.** Our in-house one-year training course designed to 'equip the saints for the work of ministry'. Fully re-worked for 2017! Leaflets in the foyer. Speak to Chris Hobbs if you are interested.

**For Thornhill family updates** please phone Elizabeth Barry instead, 0121 6376152 or 07896 857592

Someone in our church is **looking for a cleaning job** for a few hours a week. If you are interested in hiring her, please let Nick Devas know, 0121 4721088.

**GAFCON**, "gathering faithful Bible-believing Anglicans around the world to guard and proclaim the one true gospel." Pick up a leaflet and see if you would like to become a supporter.

**Sunday morning refreshments** need more help in serving coffee. Please contact Margaret Twiss 4722639 or [dampwiss@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:dampwiss@blueyonder.co.uk)



ST STEPHENS AND ST WULSTANS SELLY PARK

## 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2017

making and maturing disciples of  
Jesus Christ in Birmingham  
and for the world

### 10.00am Morning Service for All Ages

'At the Beach' Holiday Club Service  
*Helen Buckley*

### 6.00pm Evening Service with Holy Communion

'The promise of a new world'  
Revelation 21:3-4 *Charles Hindley*

**Children and young people** will stay in the service today.

There is a **Crèche** available for 0-3's. This can be found off the Foyer in the Cranmer Room.

**Refreshments** are served after the services.

**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 in the foyer. We will get in touch with you shortly. Please also help yourself to a Welcome Booklet from the display in the Foyer.

Name/s

Address

Phone

Email

I would like to know more about:

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

Sermon Notes:  
The King

**OPENING PRAYER** *Andy Martin*

**SONG** Sing to God new songs of worship

**SLIDE SHOW**

**GAME**

**TALK 1** *Helen Buckley*  
'The King has come'

including  
**BIBLE READING** *Pippa Nicolson*  
Matthew 3:1-3 (page 967)  
This is the word of the Lord;  
**Thanks be to God**

**SONG** Our God is a great big God

**TALK 2** *Helen Buckley*  
'The King who calls'

including  
**BIBLE READING** *Pippa Nicolson*  
Matthew 4:18-22 (page 968)  
This is the word of the Lord;  
**Thanks be to God**

**SONG** Jesus is the King

**MEMORY VERSE**

## Morning Service

**TALK 3** *Helen Buckley*  
'The King who cares'

including  
**BIBLE READING** *Pippa Nicolson*  
Matthew 14:22-36 (page 981)  
This is the word of the Lord;  
**Thanks be to God**

**PRAYERS** *Chris Porter*  
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.**

**NEWS**

**SONG** Bless the Lord, O my soul  
*Please collect your child(ren) from crèche*

**CLOSING PRAYER**

*Please stay on after the service for tea/coffee  
and biscuits.*

**Sermon Notes:**  
**The promise of a new world**

Revelation 21:3-4

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Missed a sermon recently? Visit [www.sssw.org.uk](http://www.sssw.org.uk)

**OPENING PRAYER** *Chris Hobbs*

**SONGS** Creation sings  
Jesus, Lord of creation

**CONFESSION**  
Heavenly Father, you have loved us with an everlasting love, but we have gone our own way and broken your laws. We are sorry for our sins and turn away from them. For the sake of your Son who died for us forgive us, cleanse us, and change us. By your Holy Spirit enable us to live for you and to please you more and more, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

**THANKSGIVING FOR SALVATION**  
Blessed are you, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for you have blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing. You chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world and destined us for adoption as your children. In Christ we have the forgiveness of sins, an inheritance in your kingdom, the seal of your Spirit, and in him we live for the praise of your glory for ever and ever. Amen.

**HYMN** When trials come

**BIBLE READINGS** *Paul Coley*  
Isaiah 65:17-25 (page 752)  
Revelation 21:1-5 (page 249)  
This is the word of the Lord;  
**Thanks be to God**

**SERMON** *Mark Checketts*  
The promise of a new world

**INSIGHTS AND QUESTIONS**

**PRAYERS** *Dawn Evans*

**SONG** See Him in Jerusalem

**COMMUNION** (see insert)

**NEWS**

**HYMN** Love divine

**CLOSING PRAYER**  
To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father – to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

*Please stay on after the service for tea/coffee and cake.*