

This Week

Sun
4

Cross-Section (Y10-13)
5.30 – 7.00pm, toasties included
Rooted (Student group) 8:00-
9:15pm, food included

Tue
6

Prayer Gathering, 10-11:30am
(crèche provided).

Wed
7

Day Centre (for older people)
10am – 2.30pm

Prayer Gathering. 8-9:30pm, refreshments
from 7:30pm.

'Religion: cause of hate or source of peace?'
at the ICC, 7-9.30pm. Flyers in the foyer.
Tickets online: ('sssw1' as a code for 50% off)
<http://chaplaincyplus.org.uk/events/religion/>

Thu
8

Cross-Section Bible Study
(Y10-13) 4.30-5.30pm
Explorers (Y2-6) 6.00 – 7.00pm
Club114 (Y7-9) 6.30 – 8.00pm

Christianity Explored continues.

Fri
9

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

Night Shelter continues.

Sat
10

Dad's Stay and Play, 10-11.30am.

*There are weekly **Fellowship Groups**. Speak to a
member of the staff team to find out more.*

Looking Ahead

Tue 13
Feb

**Raising Children in a technology-
obsessed World.** 7.30 for
pancakes, 8pm start. This is for
all parents, whether you parent a
toddler, a teen and all in between. Contact
the office if you would like to help by
babysitting or if you need a babysitter.

Wed 14
Feb

Ash Wednesday. There will be a
service of Holy Communion in
Church following the Book of
Common Prayer, 6.00pm
(finish by 7.00pm).

Mon 5
Mar

Women's book club are now
reading Virtually Human, by E
Brooks & Pete Nicholas.

Tue 20
Mar

**2020 Birmingham Annual Day
Conference**, 'Next Generation'.
Flyers in the foyer.

News and Requests

New Treasurer. The Church Council has
appointed Sam Allen to be Treasurer, taking
over from Tony Ball. Many thanks to Tony
for his great work, and to Sam for taking on
this role. Sam can be contacted on

Samuel Thornhill will be in the Sheldon
Unit, West Heath Hospital, (Rednal Road,
B38 8HR) until the 12th February and would
welcome visitors

Soup Run Help Needed – Thursdays 7-8pm
in city centre to help serve food, once a
month at most. Speak to Meghan Killen if
you can help.

Cereal needed. Please consider adding a
box of cereal to your next shop to donate to
the hungry cross-section youth for their
bible studies on Thursdays.

Relationships and Sex Education in primary
and secondary schools. The Department
for Education consultation closes on **Mon
12 Feb**. Details of how to respond, from the
Family Education Trust, are in the Foyer.

Caring Minds event. Tue 20 Feb, 6-8pm at St
Stephen's. Speak to Margaret Clarke to find
out more. Flyers in the foyer.



ST STEPHENS AND ST WULSTANS SELLY PARK

4th February 2018

making and maturing disciples of
Jesus Christ in Birmingham

10.00am All-Age Service

Would you rather?
Mark 10:17-31 *Dawn Evans*

4.00pm All- Age Service

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6.30pm Evening Service with Holy Communion

Opposition
Ezra 4 *Andy Martin*

Children and young people will stay in both the
10am and 4pm services today.

Crèche will be available to strictly 0-3's. you'll
find it through the foyer.

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

Parish Office St Stephen's Church,
Serpentine Road, Selly Park,
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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

Talk Notes:

Would you rather?

Mark 10:17-31

Missed a sermon recently?

Visit www.sssw.org.uk

Morning Service

OPENING PRAYER *Andy Martin*

SONG Nothing but grace

BIBLE READING *read together*
Psalm 1 (page 543)

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;

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

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

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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.

GAME What's it worth?

SONG Solomon was a young man

BIBLE READING *Pippa Nicolson*
Mark 10:17-31 (page 1014)

TALK *Dawn Evans*
Would you rather?

SONG More than conquerors

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

PRAYERS *Rob Davies*

ending with **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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NEWS

SONG What grace is mine
Please collect your child(ren) from crèche

CLOSING PRAYER

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Afternoon Service

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BIBLE READING *read together*
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BIBLE READING *Peter Scurlock*
Mark 10:17-31 (page 1014)

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Sermon Notes:

Opposition Ezra 4

God's people will always face opposition (1-24)

Some opposition strategies:

Get to the leaders (1-3)

Discourage the people (4-5)

Go to the authorities (6-23)

Sometimes opposition works (24)

So what can we do?

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OPENING PRAYER *Chris Hobbs*

SONGS Strength will rise
Who has held the ocean in his hands?

CONFESSION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PRAYERS *Nick Devas*

NEWS

SONG Your glorious cause

BIBLE READINGS *Jeanne Glenn*
Ezra 4:1-24 (page 476)
1 Peter 2:13-25 (page 1218)

SERMON *Andy Martin*
Opposition

INSIGHTS AND QUESTIONS

HYMN Here is love

COMMUNION *see insert*

THE APOSTLES' CREED

HYMN How firm a foundation

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