

This Week

Tue 14 Jul PCC meeting at St Wulstans 7.45pm for 8.00pm.

Tue 14 Jul CAP prayer meeting at Christian Life Centre 8.00-9.15pm.

Thu 16 Jul Monthly music team rehearsal 8.15pm at St Wulstan's, for all the music team and for those who would like to join (has moved from 23 Jul).

Looking Ahead

25 – 28 Aug 'Wild West' Holiday Bible Club if you are planning on coming and haven't yet filled in a form, please do, so that Helen can order correct amounts for craft and food. And if you haven't yet decided, please come! It's an action-packed, fun-filled week!

News and Requests

Building for the Future The foyer floor is finished and Interclass are now building the baptistry in the church, followed by the enlarged dais at the east end.

Save these dates: 2nd-4th Oct Opening Weekend of new St Stephen's Parish Centre and Church. Lots of events for all! **23rd-25th Oct** Church weekend away at Hothorpe Hall. More information about both these weekends soon, but *please pencil them in your diary now!*

Summer Socials Would you like to organize a social event for the church family for a Wednesday in August (12th, 19th, 26th)? Or it could even be July 29th or September 2nd. It can be almost anything you like! Please contact Gina in the Parish Office.

Globe cafe is a great place for meeting and befriending international students here. It currently meets on Monday nights at St Wulstan's during term time. We are looking for new people to join our team for the Autumn. If you're interested, please contact Nick & Pamela Devas.

David and Ruth Booth are safely installed in their bungalow in Ringmer. Address to follow.

Holiday Club needs old sheets for making wigwams! Do you have any you could donate? Please see Helen Buckley. Thanks.

Do you have any spare furniture for Wendy Skoczen, who has just moved into an unfurnished house. Please speak to Wendy or Elizabeth/Christopher Barry.

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ST STEPHENS AND ST WULSTANS SELLY PARK



taking Jesus seriously, taking the Bible seriously

Welcome

12th July 2015

If you are new, you are especially welcome. Please help yourself to a Welcome booklet and, if you have time, introduce yourself and ask any questions you may have.

10.00am Morning Service

'Fear the Lord your God' (Deuteronomy 31-34) – Chris Hobbs

Children and young people will go to their activities part way through the service:

0-3s Crèche is in the back room, please collect your child during the last song.

3-11s Are taken across the road and brought back during the last song.

11-14s will meet at the back and be taken to 9 Serpentine Road, they will be brought back at the end of the service.

Toilets are in the foyer, baby-changing facilities are in the disabled toilet.

Coffee, tea and biscuits are served after the service.

6.00pm Evening Service

'By faith: Abel offered a better sacrifice' (Hebrews 11:4) – Ben Wells

Coffee, tea and cakes are served after the service.

Chris Hobbs, Senior Minister (Vicar)

OPENING PRAYER *led by Chris Porter*

SONG Bless the Lord, O my soul
Glory and power to the One who loves us

CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Lord God, we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

COLLECT

SONG Sing a song, sing a joyful song

NEWS *(after which children and young people leave for their activities)*

SONG O King you are most worthy

BIBLE READINGS Deuteronomy 31:1-29 (page 209), 34:1-12 (page 214)
(This is the word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**)

SERMON Fear the Lord your God

THE APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS 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.

HYMN How firm a foundation

CLOSING PRAYER

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OPENING PRAYER *led by Chris Hobbs*

SONGS Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty
Creation sings
You died in my place

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Lord, we have come to see that our lives fall far short of your glory.

Have mercy and forgive us.

Lord, you have given your life for us, and poured out your Spirit,
yet we fail to return your love with all our heart. **Have mercy and change us.**
Too often we are selfish and proud, ignoring you, Lord, and neglecting others.

Have mercy and cleanse us.

Lord, when we do not truly trust and obey you,
we are overwhelmed by self-pity, fear and worry.

Have mercy and deliver us.

In Christ we are given a sure hope and secure love, yet we follow the false hopes and desires of
this world. **Have mercy and forgive us.**

Father, through the redeeming death of your Son on the cross, by your Spirit and through your
word, transform and renew us to follow you with joy.

All this we ask, confident in your unchanging faithfulness. Amen.

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but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

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SONG See Him in Jerusalem
Before the throne of God above

NEWS

BIBLE READINGS Genesis 4:1-18 (page 6), Hebrews 11:1-4 (page 1209)
(This is the word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**)

SERMON By faith: Abel offered a better sacrifice

INSIGHTS AND QUESTIONS

SONG By faith

CLOSING PRAYER

**Living God, give us faith to be sure of what we hope for, and certain of what
we do not see; to believe that you are, and that you reward those who truly
seek you: so may we please you and receive what you have promised; in Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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