

Today

This week in Sunday Club we are having some end of term fun!

Looking Ahead

- Wed 10th Aug** **Pudding Party at the Twisses**,. 10th August 8pm.
All welcome. Bring a drink if you wish.
- Sat 13 Aug** **Summer Church Family Walk**, meeting at the Needle Museum car park in Redditch at 2pm for a 3 mile walk. An information sheet will be available at the back of church with more details. Any questions contact Mark Checketts.
- Wed 17th Aug** **Songs with Samuel Thornhill**,. 8.00pm A relaxed evening of singing a few hymns / songs together, listening to a testimony or two & eating some cake! RSVP to Elizabeth Barry,
- Wed 24th Aug** **Another evening in China**, 8.00pm. Stories from the Devas's visit this summer, hear what God has done, with pictures, music and snacks!
- Tues Aug 8th & Sept 6th** **CAP Prayer Meetings** at 7:45pm, Christ Church Selly Park
- Sat 22 Oct** **Midlands Women's Convention**, Solihull, starting at 10.00am. let the Parish Office know if you'd like to go so that we can do a group booking.
- Sat 5 Nov** **Midlands Men's Convention**, Nottingham, starting at 10.00am. Let Rob Davies know if you'd like to go so that we can do a group booking.

News and Requests

We have some **summer socials** coming up, if you'd like to host one please let the Parish Office know. **July 27th** is still available.

Books of the Summer Term: 'A New Name' (£7) and 'Seeking Allah Finding Jesus' (£8). To order one through church please sign up on the sheet at the back of church.

Holiday club needs your help! Can you lend or donate any packs of Hero top trump cards? Can you give plain/ light coloured bed sheets (we're making capes!)? See Helen for more details.

John and Ruth McNeill have some **furniture** to dispose of before moving to Copenhagen. Check out the list on the notice board.

Single bed/camp bed needed for the Harvey's stay from July 20th to August 10th. Bed can be collected and dropped off. Speak to Nick and Pam if you can help. Thanks!

Toilet Twinning Update: So far we have raised enough money for 4 1/2 toilets! We want to twin 7 toilets, so keep going!

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ST STEPHENS AND ST WULSTANS SELLY PARK

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17th July 2016

Welcome

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 with Holy Communion

'Gospel news, gospel prayer' (Colossians 4:2-18) – Andy Martin

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

Creche and **Club 114** leave through the Foyer to go to their rooms. **Scramblers, Climbers** and **Explorers** leave through the Hudson Taylor Room at the front of church.

Coffee, tea and biscuits are served after the service in the foyer.

6.00pm Evening Service

'Getting it all wrong' (Luke 11:37-54) – Chris Stonehouse

Coffee, tea and cakes are served after the service in the foyer.

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

Gospel news, gospel prayer
Colossians 4:2-18

OPENING PRAYER *led by Adrian Underwood*

SONG O God beyond all praising

CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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.

SONG Your love will last forever

NEWS *after which children and young people leave for there activities*

SONG There is no other name

BIBLE READINGS Acts 28:14b-31 (page 1126), Colossians 4:2-18 (page 1185)
(This is the word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**)

SERMON Gospel news, gospel prayer

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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.

SONG Here is love
Please collect your child from crèche

COMMUNION *see insert*

SONG Your glorious cause

CLOSING PRAYER

Sermon Notes

1. How to live wisely with people outside the church

i) Speak to God about people (2-4)

ii) Speak to people about God (5-6)

2. How to live lovingly with people inside the church

i) Talk about God's work in your life (7-9)

ii) Comfort one another in suffering (10-11)

iii) Pray for one another (12-13)

iv) Encourage one another to read the bible (14-16)

v) Encourage one another to serve (17)

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

1) how the Pharisees got it wrong

OPENING PRAYER *led by Andy Martin*

SONGS Immortal, invisible

When my hope and strength is gone

God of grace, amazing wonder

NEWS

SONGS See him in Jerusalem

We're not alone

BIBLE READINGS Micah 6:1-8 (page 934), Luke 11:37-54 (page 1043)

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SERMON Getting it all wrong

INSIGHTS AND QUESTIONS

CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, Creator of all. You marvellously made us in your image; but we have rebelled against you, by rejecting your love and hurting our neighbours. We have done wrong and neglected to do right. We are sincerely sorry and truly repent of our sins. Cleanse us and forgive us by the death of your Son; remake us and lead us by your Spirit, the Comforter. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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HYMN Stand up, stand up for Jesus

CLOSING PRAYER

Be with us, Lord, as we go out into the world: may the lips that have sung your praises always speak the truth; may the ears which have heard your word listen only to what is good; and may our lives in every part be always pleasing in your sight, for the glory of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

2) our inner Pharisee

3) reclaiming the true gospel