

This Week

TONIGHT

Café Church: Life Story – An enduring hope. An informal service with opportunity for questions and discussion, 6pm.

Tue
21 Mar

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study, 10.00-11:30am.
Crèche provided.

Wed
22 Mar

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

Thu
23 Mar

3,2,1. 8.15-9.15pm with refreshments at 7.45pm. →

Explorers (Y2-6) 6.00 – 7.00pm
Club 114 (Y7-9) 6.30 – 8.00pm

Fri
24 Mar

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

Sat
25 Mar

9:38 Student Day, see Andy Martin for further details.



If Christianity is a house, 321 is 'the grand tour'. We don't assume you believe in God, but here's the chance to step inside and take a look at the Christian faith from within.

3 sessions, each starting with a video featuring Glen Scrivener, followed by questions to get the discussion started, will start on Thur 23rd Mar here at St Stephen's. Why not come for a cuppa or a glass of wine from 7.45pm? Where it goes after that is up to you!

Pick up a flyer from the Information Table in the foyer which gives all the details.

News and Requests

Electoral Roll. If you consider yourself a member of this church, this is for you! Please complete a form from the Information Table and return it to the Parish Office by Sun 2 Apr. Please see Chris Hobbs if you have any further questions.

Gina is out of the office from 21st Mar – 12th Apr inclusive.

The next Church Family Walk is on Easter Saturday (15th) at Waseley Hills Country Park. More info to come from Mark Checketts soon.



19th March 2017

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

10.00am Morning Service

Love Story: The ultimate sacrifice
Glen Scrivener

6.00pm Evening Service

Life Story: An enduring hope
Glen Scrivener

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

Creche and **Club114** leave through the Foyer to go to their rooms.

Sunday Club: Scramblers, Climbers and **Explorers** leave through the Hudson-Taylor Room at the front of church.

Sunday Club is finishing Proverbs today. We will see that if we love Jesus, we will listen to wisdom. Why not ask the children which Proverbs they have learnt?

Club 114 finishes Daniel today by seeing that there is a day when Christians will face no more distress but will receive the inheritance God has promised.

Refreshments are served after the services.

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

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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 at the back of church. We will get in touch with you shortly. Please also help yourself to a Welcome Booklet from the display in the Foyer.

Looking Ahead

Tue
28 Mar

PCC Meeting, 7.45 for 8.00pm

31 Mar
-2 Apr

Youth Weekend Away

Morning Service

Sermon Notes **Love Story -
The ultimate sacrifice**

Name/s

Address

Phone

Email

I would like to know more about:

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Newcomers' events

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**Missed a sermon recently? Visit
www.sssw.org.uk**

OPENING PRAYER *Chris Hobbs*

HYMN To God be the glory

INTERVIEW WITH MARK CHECKETTS

SONG Our God is a great big God

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

THE APOSTLES' CREED

CONFESSION
O Lord our God, you know us better than we know ourselves. As we come before you now, believers and doubters alike, we all share a deep need, for we are all lost without your grace. Search us, O God, and know our hearts, test us and know our troubled thoughts. Give us true repentance. Forgive us all our wrongs. Transform us by your Spirit to live for you each day, to learn to serve each other and, through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord, to come at last to heaven. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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.

SONG Who O Lord could save themselves?

BIBLE READINGS *Charles Cook*
Psalm 45 (page 569)
John 13:1-17 (page 1081)
This is the word of the Lord;
Thanks be to God

SERMON Love Story – The ultimate sacrifice
Glen Scrivener

HYMN Here is love

CLOSING PRAYER
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

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

Evening Service

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OPENING PRAYER *Andy Martin*

HYMN

Crown him with many crowns

DISCUSSION

SONG

You're the word of God the Father

BIBLE READINGS *Naomi Bryant*

Psalms 49 (page 571)

John 20:24-31 (page 1089)

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TALK Life Story - An enduring hope

Glen Scrivener

SONG (*musicians*)

Every giant will fall

INTERVAL

QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION

SONG (*musicians*)

Victory in Jesus

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PRAYERS *Tony Ball*

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NEWS

SONG

When I survey the wondrous cross

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