

Today

In Sunday Club this week we will be hearing news from the Harvey family.

We will be praying for them and writing cards to send to them.

World Mission Sunday with Church Family Lunch ('come & eat'); then 1-2 pm "150 years of Mission to East Asia - Looking Back, Looking Forward"; children's programme also provided.

Looking Ahead

Tues 7 June **Prayer Gathering**, 10.00-11.30am in St Stephen's.

Wed 8 June **Prayer Gathering**, 8.00-9.30pm in St Stephen's – with coffee, tea and cakes 7.30-7.55pm.

Sun 12 June **Afternoon Tea to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday**. 4pm at St Stephen's Church. More details to follow next week.

Mon 13 June **Marriage Evening**. More details to follow, make sure it's in your diaries now.

Tue 14 June **CAP Prayer Meeting**, 7.45pm, Selly Park Baptist Church. More information from Sarah Underwood.

Jul 2-3 **Church Family Weekend at Home**. Andy Upton, of Knighton Church Leicester, will be speaking on 'Hosea: Straight from the Heart', about God's passionate love for his people. Please see brochures for more information.

Sat 22 Oct **Midlands Women's Convention**. Brochures for both are on the information table, booking & travel arrangements will be made closer to the time.
Sat 5 Nov **Midlands Men's Convention**.

News and Requests

Car parking. To ensure that the grounds of church are as safe as possible please don't park in the car park unless you really have to, and if you do please reverse into your space so that you have better visibility when you leave. Thank you!

Updated Termcards are on the Information Table. (some changes to the sermons and speakers)

Chris and Helen will be visiting the Harvey family shortly. There's a card for the Harveys at the back of church for people to sign.

Homestay family needed for Eman Tsang from mid-Sept 2016 to mid-June 2017 (will pay rent). Contact her on if you can help, or if you know someone that can.

Birmingham City Mission are looking to hire a part-time Children's Evangelist, to start in Sept 2016. More information from Sue Fearon,

Vicar: Chris Hobbs (on sabbatical until mid-August) **Assistant Minister:** Andy Martin
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ST STEPHENS AND ST WULSTANS SELLY PARK

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22nd May 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

World Mission Sunday (Isaiah 55:1-6) – Guido Braschi

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

World Mission Sunday (Isaiah 55:7-13) – Guido Braschi

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.

HYMN Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty

SONG Come praise and glorify

OPENING PRAYER *led by Andy Martin*

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.

SONG Come gather everyone and listen

NEWS and INTERVIEW WITH GUIDO

children and young people go to their activities

SONG Your glorious cause

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

BIBLE READINGS Acts 2:22-41 (page 1093), Isaiah 55:1-6 (page 742)
(This is the word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**)

SERMON World Mission Sunday

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 Facing a task unfinished

Please collect your child from crèche.

CLOSING PRAYER

May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, equip us with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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SONGS God we praise You, God we bless you
Holy Father, rich in mercy

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NEWS and INTERVIEW WITH GUIDO

SONGS The splendour of the King
You're the word of God the Father
You're the Lion of Judah

BIBLE READINGS Acts 13:16-41 (page 1107), Isaiah 55:7-13 (page 742)
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INSIGHTS AND QUESTIONS

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