

## This Week

**Wed 27** **Day Centre** (for older people)  
10am – 2.30pm

**Thu 28** **Explorers** (Y2-6) 6.00 – 7.00pm  
**Club114** (Y7-9) 6.30 – 8.00pm

**Fri 29** **Stay and Play** (baby and toddler group)  
10.00am – 11.30am

### Church Family Weekend at Home begins.

Booklets are in the Foyer, if you've signed up there will be one with your name on it.

**6.30pm Pizza & a Movie** (if you've opted in).

**Sat 30** **9am for refreshments, 9.30am start.** See booklet for the rest of the timetable.

**Sun 1** **Church as usual at 10am, with Church Family Lunch to follow** (suggested donation of £2 per person), this is open to all, even if you weren't able to be at the rest of the weekend.

**\* There will be no 4pm or 6.30pm service \***

*We have weekly Fellowship Groups.  
Speak to Chris Hobbs to find out more.*

## Looking Ahead

**3 / 4 July** **Prayer Gatherings.** Tue 10-11.30am (crèche provided)  
Wed 8-9.30pm, refreshments from 7.30pm.

**Sat 14 July** **Church Family Walk.** Wyre Forest. Details to follow, speak to the Checketts to find out more.

## OUT OF THIS WORLD HOLIDAY CLUB

**Aug 28<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>, 10am-12noon at St Stephens.**  
Sign up forms are in the foyer; take lots to invite school friends!

Lots of exciting ways that you can help, see the big sign up sheet in the foyer.

### News and Requests

**Stay and Play needs you!** This ministry is bursting at the seams and is a really exciting place to welcome people into church. We need help though, and there are lots of different ways, even if you aren't free on Friday mornings, and even if you don't like children! See the sign up sheet in the foyer.

**Our Stories.** A book of testimonies from our Church Family is now available! £3 for 1 or a bargain at 4 for £10, so you can give some to friends and family. Pick yours up today and prepare to be encouraged by the amazing things God has done!

### Church Suite is here!

You should have now been sent an invitation to churchsuite, this means you can use it as a system on your desktop or as an app on your smartphone or tablet.

You'll be able to see events and church family contact information, and soon the rota feature will be in full use!

See Jem Huggins if you have any questions, big or small.



ST STEPHENS AND ST WULSTANS SELLY PARK

**24<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

*making and maturing disciples  
of Jesus Christ*

### 10.00am Morning Service

See things as they are

Amos 7:1-17

*Andy Martin*

### 4.00pm Afternoon Service

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### 6.30pm Evening Service

Betrayed

Psalm 55

*Chris Stonehouse*

**Children at the 10am and 4pm** will go to their activities part way through the service.

**All children under 11** leave through the main doors and will be guided to their rooms.

**Crèche** (under 3's) is in the Cranmer Room.

**Sunday Club** (3-10): (**Scramblers, Climbers and Explorers**) Today we are looking at Exodus 16.

We will see that God gives his people what they need. We can trust him.

**Club114 at the 4pm** (11-14) will leave through the Hudson-Taylor Room and will be looking at Amos 8 to see that not being able to know God is the worst punishment of all.

**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

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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.

### Data Protection & Privacy

We will store your data in accordance with our Privacy Notice, which you can find at:

<http://sssw.org.uk/privacynotice>.

If you would ever like us to stop contacting you or to delete your details phone 0121 472 8253 or email [office@sssw.org.uk](mailto:office@sssw.org.uk).

# Morning Service

We would love to keep you informed about our news, events and services.

Please tick this box so we can do this, and write your details below:

**Name/s**

**Address**

**Phone**

**Email**

**Date**

Please tick below If you would like us to contact you with information about any of the following:

- Being a Christian
- Newcomers' events
- Small Groups
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- Student events
- Giving to the church

If you have a specific question you would like answered please write it below:

**Sermon Notes:** Amos 7:1-17  
See things as they are

1. The Sovereign Lord is merciful (1-6)
2. The Sovereign Lord tests his people (7-9)
3. The Sovereign Lord speaks and warns his people (10-17)

**What have I learnt...  
To praise God for?**

**To say sorry for?**

**To turn into a request?**

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**OPENING PRAYER** *David Twiss*

**HYMN** Praise my soul the King of heaven

**CONFESSION**

and **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

**Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus**

**Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.**

**SONG** It's a light and a hammer

**NEWS**

*After which children leave for their activities*

**SONGS** When my hope and strength is gone  
When I fear my faith will fail

**BIBLE READINGS** *Ian Butler*

Amos 7:1-17 (page 921)

1 John 4:1-6 (page 1227)

**SERMON** *Andy Martin*

See things as they are

**INSIGHTS AND QUESTIONS**

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**PRAYERS** *David Twiss*

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** And can it be

*Please collect your child from crèche*

**CLOSING PRAYER**

**May the love of the Lord Jesus draw us to himself, the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen us in his service, the joy of the Lord Jesus fill our hearts; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always. Amen.**

*Please stay on for tea/coffee and biscuits*

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## Afternoon Service

**OPENING PRAYER** *Mark Checketts*

**Blessed are you, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for you have blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing. You chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world and destined us for adoption as your children. In Christ we have the forgiveness of sins, an inheritance in your kingdom, the seal of your Spirit, and in him we live for the praise of your glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

**HYMN** Praise my soul the King of heaven

**CONFESSION**

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**Heavenly Father, you have loved us with an everlasting love, but we have gone our own way and broken your laws. We are sorry for our sins and turn away from them. For the sake of your Son who died for us forgive us, cleanse us, and change us. By your Holy Spirit enable us to live for you and to please you more and more, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**SONG** It's a light and a hammer

**NEWS**

*After which children and young people leave for their activities*

**SONGS** When my hope and strength is gone  
When I fear my faith will fail

**BIBLE READINGS** *Emma Cook*

Amos 7:1-17 (page 921)

1 John 4:1-6 (page 1227)

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**PRAYERS** *Sarah Allen*

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**CLOSING PRAYER**

**Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.**

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## Evening Service

**OPENING PRAYER** *Andy Martin*

**SONGS** Strength will rise  
Nothing but grace  
Through all life's sorrows and despairs

**CONFESSION**

and **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

**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.**

**NEWS**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**SONGS** What a friend we have in Jesus  
Your word endures forever

**BIBLE READINGS** *Dawn Evans*

Psalm 55 (page 575)  
1 Peter 5:5-11 (page 1220)

**SERMON** *Chris Stonehouse*  
Betrayed

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**PRAYERS** *Alex Luckwell*  
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**HYMN** When peace like a river

**CLOSING PRAYER**

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