

Looking Ahead

Wed 5th Aug Prayer Gathering 8.00 - 9.30pm in St Wulstan's – with coffee, tea and cakes 7.30 - 7.55pm.

Summer Socials Would you like to organize a social event for the church family for a Wednesday? We still have the 2nd Sep available. It can be almost anything you like! Please contact Gina in the Parish Office. The following are already confirmed:

Games in the garden - Wed 12th Aug, 7.30-9.30pm @ the Griffith's. Please bring a drink and / or nibbles.

Another Evening in China - if you missed this last year, or even if you came, here's another opportunity to spend an evening "in China" - pics, music, snacks, stories (different from last year's!) Wed 19th Aug, 7.30 for 8pm at the Devas'.

Pudding evening – Wed 26th Aug, 7.45pm for dessert and coffee at the Twiss' house.

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 wide open space of the church floor has now been laid and we are planning the timetable when the whole building is handed back to us.

23rd-25th Oct Church weekend away at Hothorpe Hall, Leicestershire. A great chance to get away as a church family in a relaxing, gorgeous environment, absorbing good bible teaching and deepening friendships. Please take a booking leaflet from the info table at the back.

The latest **Christian Institute newsletter** is available on the information table.

The Day Centre (that meets on a Wed morning in term time) would welcome help from any post GCSE/A level/Uni students over the Summer months. Any offers, however limited! Contact Jean Phillips.

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.

Ruth and David Booth have moved to: Ringmer, East Sussex. They'd be delighted to see church friends passing through the area. Please do sign the card on the info table.

Senior Minister (Vicar) Chris Hobbs **Assistant Minister** Andy Martin

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ST STEPHENS AND ST WULSTANS SELLY PARK

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Welcome

26th 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

'Know your God: The Lord is righteous' (Psalm 35) – 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: Noah built an ark' (Hebrews 11:7) – Andy Martin

Coffee, tea and cakes are served after the service.

Chris Hobbs, Senior Minister (Vicar)

Because the Lord is righteous:

1. He prays for salvation – and promises praise (v1-10)

2. He complains of injustice – and promises praise (v11-18)

3. He pleads for vindication – and promises praise (v19-28)

OPENING PRAYER *led by Andy Martin*

HYMN I will sing the wondrous story

SONG Early morning, break of dawn

CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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 For God so loved the world

NEWS

after which children and young people leave for their activities

BIBLE READINGS Psalm 35 (page 562); John 15:18-16:4 (page 1083)

(This is the word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**)

SERMON The Lord is righteous

SONG How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

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.

SONG We have sung our songs of victory

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.

OPENING PRAYER *led by Ben Wells*

SONGS In Christ alone
Awake, awake O Zion

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SONGS Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty
King of Kings, Majesty

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NEWS

SONG By faith

BIBLE READINGS Genesis 6:5-7:16 (page 8), Hebrews 11:1-7 (page 1209)
(This is the word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**)

SERMON By faith: Noah built an ark

INSIGHTS AND QUESTIONS

HYMN When peace like a river

CLOSING PRAYER

To him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy – to the only God our Saviour be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and for evermore. Amen.