

Today

This week in Sunday Club there is holiday cover, all groups will have fun together.

This Week

- Tues 6 Sept** **Prayer Gathering**, 10.00-11.30am in St Stephen's.
- Tues 6 Sept** **CAP Prayer Meeting** at 7:45pm, Christ Church Selly Park
- Wed 6 Sept** **Prayer Gathering**, 8.00-9.30pm in St Stephen's – with coffee, tea and cakes 7.30-7.55pm.

Looking Ahead

- Wed 14, 21, 28** **Toolbox.** Information at the back of church, pick up a flyer and get your choices into the Parish Office by September 4th.
- Mon 19 Sept** **Women's book club.** Reading 'Joni & Ken: An Untold Love Story' over the summer. Speak to (Mrs) Chris Stonehouse or Elizabeth Barry for more info.
- Wed 5 Oct** **Vision Evening.** 7pm at Church for dinner, 8pm for the Vision Meeting.
- 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

Holiday club needs your help! Please pray as Holiday Club happens this week, that everyone would have fun together and learn lots about Jesus the Super Saviour from the book of Luke.

Please consider **helping to serve refreshments** on Sunday mornings. Five people have now moved on and the gaps need to be filled. Contact Margaret

Our local churches' **Christians Against Poverty** group **needs more people to help and befriend clients.** Please consider being involved. There is a short training session on Tues 6 Sept 7-8 pm at Christ Church, Selly Park, before the CAP prayer meeting. Please come along and find out more. Richard Phillips

Who is my Neighbour? Sat 10 Sept, at St Stephens. A Day Conference from CMF to inform and envision Christian health professionals from all disciplines (Doctors, Nurses and Allied Health Professionals) about medical mission and international work. How can we serve the poor and love our worldwide neighbours? Cost £30 (£10 students). Book online: www.cmf.org.uk.

ST STEPHENS AND ST WULSTANS SELLY PARK



taking Jesus seriously, taking the Bible seriously

Welcome

28th August 2016

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

'Judgementalism' (Romans 14:9-13) – Andy Martin

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

Creche leave through the Foyer to go to their rooms. **Scramblers, Climbers** and **Explorers** leave through the Hudson Taylor Room at the front of church. There is no **Club114** over the summer.

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

6.00pm Evening Service

'When God is with us' (Psalm 46) – Nick Devas

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.

Vicar: Chris Hobbs (on sabbatical until mid-August) **Assistant Minister:** Andy Martin

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OPENING PRAYER *led by Chris Porter*

SONGS Hallelujah, sing to Jesus
Over all the earth

COLLECT for 14th Sunday after Trinity

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. Amen.

SONG Everybody praise

NEWS *after which children go to their activities*

SONG The grace of God has reached for me

BIBLE READINGS Matthew 7:1-6 (page 971), Romans 14:1-8 (1140)
(This is the word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**)

SERMON Judgementalism

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 Jesus is Lord, the cry that echoes
Please collect your child from crèche

CLOSING PRAYER

1. God is our refuge and fortress, we will not fear

2. God is our help and strength: we will not fear

3. God is sovereign, we need not fear

4. Be still and know that I am God: I will be exalted in the earth

5. The Lord Almighty is with us

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SONG I stand amazed in the presence

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SONGS God, we praise you, God, we bless you
O my soul, arise and bless your maker

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

NEWS

SONG I will glory in my redeemer

BIBLE READINGS Psalm 46 (page 570), Revelation 11:15-19 (page 1241)
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SERMON When God is with us

INSIGHTS AND QUESTIONS

SONG When trials come

CLOSING PRAYER

To him who is able to keep us from falling and to present us 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.