

This Week

TONIGHT

Cross-section (Y10-13)
7.45pm-9.00pm
Rooted (Students)
7.45pm-9.30pm

Tue
31 Jan

Prayer Gathering, 10.00-11:30am.
Crèche provided.

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

Wed
1 Feb

Faith: Outdated or Essential?
Talk and Q&A with Michael
Ramsden, Birmingham ICC, 7.00 –
9.30pm. Tickets £10 from the
office, including a meal. Last
chance to buy tickets today.

Thu
2 Feb

CAP Money Course continues.
7.30- 9.30pm.

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

Fri
3 Feb

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

Looking Ahead

Mon
27 Feb

Women's Book Club are
reading 'The Plausability
Problem' by Ed Shaw.
Newcomers welcome! See
Elizabeth Barry or Chris
Stonehouse for more details.

Story: what's yours?

Mar 16-19
With Glen Scrivener

Our mission weekend with Glen Scrivener.
Please block this out in your calendar and
plan to invite friends to lots of exciting
events such as movie night, music recitals,
crepe and candyfloss fun, dinner, brunch
and Sunday services. Andy Martin has
further details.

News and Requests

Men's clean T-shirts needed by Winter Night
Shelter, in M or L sizes. Contact Chris
Stonehouse or put a monetary gift marked
'night shelter' in an envelope in the Gift box
at the back of church.

Room to rent: Short term (6 month)
possibility, available March, with 2 other
girls. See Elly Quaintance



29th January 2017

making and maturing
disciples of Jesus Christ

10.00am Morning Service with Holy Communion

Giving Sunday – Beyond riches
Chris Hobbs

6.00pm Evening Service

Giving Sunday – Building God's
church. *Andy Martin*

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 looking at the book of Proverbs,
we will see how the Proverb we learnt last week
applies to us and today we'll look at John 11:20-
27; Martha ran to Jesus, her strong tower.
Club 114 is looking at Daniel 10 and will see that
we will be changed when we see Jesus.

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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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 this tear-
off slip overleaf and give it
to one of the staff or welcome team,
or place it in the Gifts Box at the back
of church, to let us know who you are.
We will get in touch with you shortly
to help you feel at home quickly.
Please also help yourself to a
Welcome Booklet from the
Information Table.

Name/s

Address

Phone

Email

I would like to know more about:

- Being a Christian
- Newcomers' events
- Small Groups
- Pre-school activities
- Children's / Youth Work
- Student events
- Giving to the church
- Other

Sermon Notes Beyond riches

Everyone should understand:

1. Wealth cannot prevent death (v5-12)

2. Wealth cannot secure salvation (v13-20)

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

OPENING PRAYER *(Andy Martin)*

HYMN I hear the Saviour say

CONFESSION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

SONG Clap your hands

FINANCE PRESENTATION

NEWS

after which children and young people go to their activities

SONG Mine are days that God has numbered

BIBLE READING *(Ian Butler)*

Psalm 49 (page 571)

1 Timothy 6:3-10, 17-19 (page 1194)

(This is the word of the Lord;

Thanks be to God)

SERMON Beyond riches *(Chris Hobbs)*

PRAYERS *(David Twiss)*

SONG See him in Jerusalem

Please collect your child from crèche

COMMUNION *(see insert)*

HYMN Come, Thou fount of every blessing

CLOSING PRAYER

Name/s

Sermon Notes

Building God's church

Address

Phone

Email

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OPENING PRAYER *(Helen Buckley)*

SONGS

Immortal honours, rest on Jesus' head
Christ is risen, he's risen indeed
Mine are days that God has numbered

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, we humbly thank you for all your gifts so freely given: for life and health and safety, for work and rest and friendship, and for the wonder of creation. Above all, we praise you for our Saviour, Jesus Christ, for his death and resurrection, for your life-giving Spirit and the hope of sharing in your glory. Fill our hearts with all joy and peace in believing; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS *(Kristi Mair)*

followed by **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.

FINANCE PRESENTATION

SONGS My hope is built on nothing less
The perfect wisdom of our God

BIBLE READING *(Charles Hindley)*

Exodus 35:4-36:7 (page 94)
(This is the word of the Lord;
Thanks be to God)

Evening Service

SERMON Building God's church
(Andy Martin)

INSIGHTS AND QUESTIONS

CONFESSION

Lord, we have come to see that our lives fall far short of your glory.

Have mercy and forgive us.

Lord, you have given your life for us, and poured out your Spirit, yet we fail to return your love with all our heart. **Have mercy and change us.** Too often we are selfish and proud, ignoring you, Lord, and neglecting others.

Have mercy and cleanse us.

Lord, when we do not truly trust and obey you, we are overwhelmed by self-pity, fear and worry.

Have mercy and deliver us.

In Christ we are given a sure hope and secure love, yet we follow the false hopes and desires of this world. **Have mercy and forgive us.**

Father, through the redeeming death of your Son on the cross, by your Spirit and through your word, transform and renew us to follow you with joy.

All this we ask, confident in your unchanging faithfulness. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

NEWS *(Andy Martin)*

SONGS I will offer up my life

CLOSING PRAYER