

A message from Si, our vicar:

I looked around in church last Sunday and I realised afresh how good it is to worship with you all. We are very blessed to be able to walk together. I felt very thankful to the Lord as I reflected on everything He has brought me through, and the various trials that He has brought (and is bringing) many of you through.

All my life you have been faithful
And all my life you have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh I will sing of the goodness of God

Our God is not to be underestimated. The resources that He has and His love for His children are staggering. Just consider that in Ephesians 1:11 He is called 'the one who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of His will'. As I have chewed this over during the week, I have found it to be a precious promise.

This Week's Bible Reading:

Matthew 11:28-30 and Ex 20:1-17 NKJV
Command 4 'Remember the sabbath day'

The Collect:

O God,
you know us to be set
in the midst of so many and great dangers,
that by reason of the frailty of our nature
we cannot always stand upright:
Grant to us such strength and protection
as may support us in all dangers
and carry us through all temptations;
through Jesus Christ our Lord

What's On This Week:

9.00am Holy Communion Service (& refreshments in the lounge afterwards)

11.00am Morning Service with the Lord's supper (& refreshments in the hall afterwards). Adventurers for ages 3-7 and Springboard for ages 7-11 are available during the service.

Children are welcome to stay in the service and there is also a relay in the lounge for parents to take their child to if desired.

Sunday 16th 8.30pm Zoom Prayer Meeting for half an hour. Everyone is welcome to join us for this; there is no pressure to pray out loud. The zoom meeting link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85963653180>

Midweek Home Bible Study Groups - See Karl Turner for details

Monday 10th 10am: Ladies Bible Study
Monday 10th 6.30pm: CYFA
Tuesday 11th 6.15pm: Explorers
Tuesday 11th 7.30pm: Pathfinders
Wednesday 12th 12pm: Mums bible study
Wednesday 12th 7.30pm – PCC
Thursday 13th 7.30pm: Leprosy Mission Visit

Catch Up:

If you miss the Sunday sermon, you can watch a video of it on the [St Johns YouTube Channel](#). It's usually uploaded on a Monday.

Dates for your Diary:

27th February 7.30pm: Albanian Evangelical Mission Prayer Meeting
7th April 7.30pm: Annual Parochial Church Meeting
20th April - full immersion baptisms at St Johns
27th-30th May Football School

Please Note:

Nappies - There are a lot of nappies in the bathroom that have kindly been donated to the church. The shelves are overflowing so please, if you have a use for these nappies, take some home with you, to create space in the bathroom. There is also a nappy bin in the bathroom that has been kindly donated but that we don't really need. If you could use it at your home, please do take it.

Prayer:

Some of the youth were chatting in CYFA this week about the great honour that it is to be able to pray directly to God and not have to go through a high priest. How humbling it was to hear the teenagers speaking like this and how right they are! What a privilege we have in being able to pray directly to our Almighty God. Please let us know if we can pray for you.

Please join together with us this week as we pray for Joyce Hewer, Emily Lane, Les James, Joe Moore and Les Fox.

Please pray for the workers taking part in the Mexico build. As I type they should be in the midst of their 11 hour flight after driving to Gatwick throughout the night.

We have received an AEM prayer update. You can find it on the mission board in church. And a Leprosy Mission update can be found on the mission table below the board.

Please pray this week for the work of the Lam Project.

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