

### Churches Together United Service Today

This will be at St John's at 6:00pm. The speaker will be Bishop Trevor Willmott and some of St John's musicians will be joining with musicians from other churches to lead the worship together with the choir.

### Rainbow Knit-In

The sponsored Knit-In for the rainbow centre will be on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 1:45pm at the United Reformed Church. All you need is a pair of No 8 (4mm) needles and to knit for approximately 1½ hours. Wool will be provided. If you wish to participate please see me. Phoebe Moffatt

### After Service Coffee

Do you enjoy your coffee after the 10:45 service? We need your help to make it happen. A number of volunteers have recently stepped down and six more people are needed to take their place. Ideally three people are needed to help each week on a six weekly rota. Please contact Jackie Boyce on 892680 or [pandjboyce@btinternet.com](mailto:pandjboyce@btinternet.com) We'd love more men to join our current male volunteers!

### Dementia Awareness Training

On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> of February, from 10:30-12noon in the downstairs St. John's Church Hall, the Pastoral Care Team have arranged a training session on dementia awareness. It is open to anyone interested in learning more about this disease. Please let Robert Grieve know if you are interested in attending so that we have an idea of how many plan to attend.

### Ladies' Spirituality Course

Monday mornings from 10:00am - 12:00noon, 6<sup>th</sup> March - 10<sup>th</sup> April inclusive. The venue will be the vicarage. The course will be led by Janice Bradford. The only requirements are to purchase "Sacred Pathways" by Gary Thomas (£10) and a willingness to chat. If interested please contact Janice on 07765 661648.

### Parish Safeguarding Training

A Parish Safeguarding Training session will be held in St John's Church Hall on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March from 1.30 - 4.30pm. This is an important course for ALL members of the church who are involved in activities/groups involving children and/or vulnerable adults and who were not able to attend the previous training session. Please add your name to the list at the back and make a note of the date and time in your diary! Mandy Allen (Safeguarding Co-ordinator)

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Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2017  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Epiphany

# Get Connected

## Welcome to St John's!

We warmly welcome you if you are visiting us today. If you would like to know more about the life of St John's do collect a welcome pack, available at all our services. At our 10:45am service you can go to our Welcome Desk near the door where someone will be able to give you a Welcome Pack and answer any questions you may have.

Refreshments are available in the Church Hall after the All Stars and 10:45am services. Do join us for coffee and a chat.

## New Wine Summer Gathering

One of the most significant ways that my Christian faith has grown is through attending the New Wine Summer Gathering and I would like to invite you to join us later this year. A group from St John's Church will be attending the second week, (30 July - 5 August) which is held on the Royal Bath and West Showground at Shepton Mallett

The organisers prayer for all who attend is 'that God will meet us in our corporate worship, through teaching from his Word and in ministry; that together we'll celebrate all the good things that God has been doing and continues to do in our midst; that there will continue to be people healed, marriages strengthened, family relationships restored, friendships developed and people coming to know Jesus for the very first time; and that we will be sent out in the power of the Holy Spirit to everyone in the ministry and mission of Jesus, in what will have been a life-transforming week for all of us.'

Accommodation is camping on site. The cost is around £150 per person with discounts for children. A full range of children's groups for all ages is provided.

If you are interested in coming please talk to me (Steve) or Janice Bradford or Claire Coleman who all attended in 2016. For more details see:

[www.new-wine.org/summer](http://www.new-wine.org/summer).

God Bless.

Steve

## What's on this week.....

<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January</b>
8:30am Morning Prayer, Church Hall	
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February</b>
8:30am Morning Prayer	9:15am Open the Book Assembly
9:00am Staff Meeting, Church Hall	1:15pm Twiglets (Toddler Group), Church Hall
10:00am Taylor Toddlers, Grace Taylor Hall	7:00pm On Fizz (Youth Group), Grace Taylor Hall
2:00pm Primetime	7:45pm Choir & Musicians Practice
3:30pm Shooting Stars, Church Hall	
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February</b>	<b>Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February</b>
1:00pm All Stars Team Meeting	10:00am Church Walk
5:30pm Brownies	10:30am Dementia Awareness Training, Church Hall
6:30pm Winter Shelter	4:00pm "Not-so-New Year Party", Church Hall
7:15 Rangers	
<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February - Morning</b>	<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February - Evening</b>
9:15am Morning Worship, Grace Taylor Hall	6:00pm Worship@6, Church Hall
9:15 All Stars - Worship for All Ages, Church Hall	7:15pm Sunday Nighters, Church Hall
10:45am Morning Worship in Church	

### February Walk

Weather and conditions permitting a walk is planned for Saturday 4th February. Please let Corinne Hyde know if you would like to come, or for further information contact details are in the Church Directory. Friends are welcome too.

### Churches Together

**The Young Life Group** are organising a workshop exploring emotional well being and mental health among children and young people. It will be held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at Cheriton Baptist from 9:15am to 1:00pm. This will be a day of excellent, high quality training on what is a very important issue. See posters headed "Boost Tour".

**Stage One Drama Group** affiliated to CTF is looking for budding thespians to join them for their Easter/Whitsun production. If interested please contact Revd Roger Smith, 01303 259896, [rohsmith@aol.com](mailto:rohsmith@aol.com) All ages and traditions welcome. They usually meet on Tuesdays at Sandgate Road Methodist Church, but can be flexible.

### Come and join the fun at our Not-so-New Year's Party



There will be lots of fun and games – and plenty to eat at our Not-so-New Year's Party on Saturday 4 February in the Church Hall and everyone is welcome to join in. It starts at 4pm and finishes at 5.30. Lots of activities are planned, together with a bring-and-share meal. And there will be plenty of opportunity to chat with old friends and to get to know new ones. Do join us!

There are sign-up sheets for bringing contributions of food to the party at all our services. Thank you. Claire Coleman, Sandra Donald.