

Worship@6 - Sunday Evenings - A time of informal worship in the hall.

St John's "Open House" week: 5th - 11th February

Here's how it works in 3 simple steps:

Step one Speak to, or email, Claire Coleman, Jo Purle or Peter Edwards if you would like to open up your home and offer hospitality during this special week.

This may be for morning coffee, a full 3-course dinner, tea & cake, a pudding party... the list is endless.

Step two Sign up at the back of church to be the guest at someone's house. BUT, instead of revealing your name, simply sign up with an "x" rather than your name.

Step three Turn up at the given time & venue to be pleasantly surprised & enthralled by your fellow guests! This is a lovely opportunity to be with different people from our church whom you might not have had the pleasure to get to know yet....

Gifts wanted for charity night

I am looking to collect any unwanted gifts or unused items for my raffle/auction which will be held on my charity night on Saturday 3rd March 2018 at Saltwood Social Club. I am starting to collect items now and wondered if any St John's members might have things lying around that they could donate. All proceeds will be going to the Mental Health Foundation. Emma Murphy

St John's Mission Trip to Jenga, Uganda

Just to update you, we are proposing to take a group from St. John's to Mbale, Uganda to visit and serve the ministry of Jenga in March 2019.

More information will be announced shortly, but please do pray and ask the Lord if He is calling you to join in this wonderful opportunity. We're looking forward to it already! Jo Purle

Murial Kyle's Service

Tomorrow, Monday 22nd at 10:00am at St John's. This will be followed by refreshments in the hall.

Lindsay Taylor's Service

Thursday 1st February at 2:00pm at St John's. This will be followed by a committal up at Hawkinge with just the family. Everyone is invited to refreshments after the service at the Master Brewer in Broadmead Village. Family flowers only. Donations to Cancer Research UK.

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Sunday 21st January 2018
3rd Sunday of Epiphany

Get Connected

Welcome to St John's!

If you are new we hope you enjoy the service. Do collect a welcome pack which contains information about all that goes on at St John's. At the 10:45am service you can go to the welcome desk near the door where someone will be available to answer any questions you may have.

Please also introduce yourself to a member of the team as you leave the church.

Church Weekend Away 2018

Only 47 days to go until our Church Weekend Away begins!

I hope that all those coming on our Weekend Away at Ashburnham Place on Friday 9th March to Sunday 11th March are getting excited. I am!

Lyndall Bywater will be speaking to us on the theme of 'Worship' as we seek to grow in our relationship with God. And there will be plenty of time for sharing meals, exploring the local area, and having fun together as we grow in our relationship with each other. Exciting activities have been planned for everyone, whatever their age, including a barn dance on Saturday night. We hope it will be a great opportunity to make new friends for all of us.

If you haven't paid your outstanding balance could you please do so before the end of January.

Every blessing, Steve

What's on this week.....

Monday 22nd January	Tuesday 23rd January
8:30am Morning Prayer, Church Hall	
10:00 Funeral Service for Murial Kyle, Church	
7:15pm PCC, Church Hall	
Wednesday 24th January	Thursday 25th January
8:30am Morning Prayer	9:15am Open the Book (Term Time)
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, Church Hall	7:45pm Choir & Musicians' Practice
Friday 26th January	Saturday 27th January
5:00pm Brownies, Church Hall	
6:30pm Winter Shelter, Church Hall	
7:15 Guides, Church Hall	
7:15pm Rangers, Church Hall	
Sunday 28th January - Morning	Sunday 28th January - Evening
9:15am Morning Worship, Grace Taylor Hall	6:00pm Churches Together United Service, Folkestone Baptist, Hill Road
9:15am All Stars - Worship for All Ages, Church Hall	
10:45am Morning Worship in Church	

A helping hand for this young child in Kenya



Meet our All Stars group – they have just begun sponsoring five-year-old Marktél (left), who lives near the edge of Lake Victoria in Kenya. He's one of five children in his family. His Dad is a day labourer and his mum keeps house, typically made of wood with a dirt floor. All Stars are helping to make sure he has food, clothes and, crucially, education.



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity:

Churches Together invite you to join them for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Each day we meet at various churches around the town at 1:00pm to pray. The theme this year is 'That All May be Free'. The venues are:

Monday 22 nd Jan	St John's Church Hall (Upstairs)
Tuesday 23 rd Jan	SKCC at Millfield
Wednesday 24 th Jan	Our Lady Help of Christians, Guildhall Street
Thursday 25 th Jan	Cheriton Baptist Church
Friday 26 th Jan	Harbour Church @ St Saviour's

The week culminates in a **United Service** at 6:00pm on Sunday, 28th January at 6:00pm at Folkestone Baptist Church, Hill Road. Jo Purle will be speaking.

Service for the Reverend David John Adlington who died on 4 January 2018. The funeral will take place on Saturday 27 January at 12:00 noon at St Mary and St Eanswythe's Parish Church, Folkestone. It will be a full sung Mass at which the Celebrant and Preacher will be Bishop Trevor. Refreshments afterwards.