

This Evening at 6:00pm

Worship@6 in the hall. A time of informal prayer and worship

Thanksgiving Service for Sue Coleman's Life

A Service of Thanksgiving will be held at St John's church at 3:30pm on Thursday 26th July, to which everyone is welcome. Claire has asked that we respect Sue's wishes and not wear black. This will be an occasion to give thanks for and celebrate Sue's life 'well lived', her faithfulness to God, and her perseverance - an example to us all. Refreshments will be served in the Church Hall immediately after the service.

"Ride & Stride"

We hope to take part in this event again this year on Saturday 8th September. You can either walk or cycle, visiting as many churches as possible, or welcome visitors to St John's, or sponsor welcomers, walkers and cyclists. Proceeds divided between Friends of Kent churches (for maintenance and repair grants to churches), and our own church. Last year St John's raised the handsome sum of £715. Please ask Martin Jewitt Tel: 211491 for a sponsor form.

Open House Week Monday 13th - Sunday 19th August

You are warmly invited to our next 'Open House Week' in August. Please consider if you would like to open your home or arrange an event; anything from coffee and cake, to lunch, or supper, or a walk to a pub, to a craft morning, to a film or anything as creative and innovative as you can muster. Looking forward to another successful 'Open House Week' where church members can meet new people and enjoy good company as we build our community here. Please email Rev Jo Purle by tomorrow, 23rd July, with your open home invitations or to find out more.

Jenga Project Trip Quiz Night

Many of you will know that a few of us are off to Uganda in March 2019 to help with the Jenga Project. We are planning a quiz night with food and entertainment provided. Please put Saturday 26th January 2019 in your diaries. We thought we would have a "Burns Night" theme. So put your kilts on!!!! Further details to follow. Bertie Edwards

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COME AND SEE...
JOIN US ON OUR JOURNEY

Sunday 22nd July 2018
8th Sunday after Trinity

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 10:00am 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.

Could you be our new Treasurer?

After many years of faithful and diligent service Alex Finlow has decided it is time to handover the responsibility of being Church Treasurer. We are truly grateful to Alex for his past service and for his willingness to help train his successor.

Jenny Taylor has kindly offered to help with maintaining our financial records and there is a team of people who support the smooth running of our finances but we do need someone to be our Treasurer, someone who can oversee the Church finances as a whole.

If you might be interested and would like to know more (without committing yourself) please have a word with either myself or Steve O'Neill.
Your Church Needs You!

Every blessing,

Steve

What's on this week.....

Monday 23rd July	Tuesday 24th July
8:30am Morning Prayer, Church Hall 7:15 pm PCC, Hall	
Wednesday 25th July	Thursday 26th July
8:30am Staff Meeting, Church Hall 10:00am Taylor Toddlers, Grace Taylor Hall (Term Time) 2:00pm Primetime, Church Hall (Term Time)	9:15am Open the Book (Term Time) 3:30pm Thanksgiving Service for Sue Coleman 7:00pm On Fizz (Youth Group), Grace Taylor Hall (Term Time) 7:45pm Choir & Musicians' Practice
Friday 27th July	Saturday 28th July
5:30pm Brownies, Church Hall (Term Time) 7:15pm Guides, Church Hall (Term Time) 7:15pm Rangers, Church Hall (Term Time)	
Sunday 29th July - Morning	Sunday July - Evening
9:15am Morning Worship, Grace Taylor Hall 10:00am Whole Church Service, Church	6:00pm Worship@6, Church Hall



Walk on Saturday 4 August 2018

The next walk begins at Kingsnorth Gardens and goes via a circuitous route to Sandgate (approx 4 miles there and back). Friends and families welcome. Please contact Corinne Hyde (see directory) for further details.



Open Doors

60 years of serving persecuted Christians



This week the Mission Partner we are praying for is **Open Doors** and the persecuted church.

Open Doors is an international ministry serving persecuted Christians and churches worldwide. They supply Bibles, leadership training, literacy programmes, livelihood support and advocacy services. They also seek to mobilise the church in the UK & Ireland to serve Christians living under religious persecution. See Robert Grieve as St. John's rep.