## **Prayer & Worship Gatherings**

**Tuesday mornings** Prayer meeting in church (every week) 8am - 9am All are welcome to pray for the week ahead

Tues 30th May will be a prayer breakfast as part of

Thy Kingdom Come.

**Tuesday 16th May Hungry** (once a month)

7.45pm - 9.30pm An evening of seeking God in worship & prayer

Focus on children's and youth work this month

Sunday 21st May Mission Prayer Breakfast (once a month)

A chance to hear about and pray for our mission links 8am - 9am

The Worship Evening Session this month has been cancelled due to there being an Ascension Day service as part of Thy Kingdom Come.

## **Weekly Events**

These events happen in term time only-they will all stop over May half-term

Mondays 3.30pm - 5pm Deeper

for children in school years 3 - 5

**Tuesdays** 7pm - 9.30pm **Youth House Group** 

for school years 11 - 13

Wednesdays 6pm - 7.30pm Ignite

for young people in school years 6-10

Matt's Monkeys toddler group Thursdays 10am - 11.30am THERE WILL BE NO TODDLER GROUP ON 8TH JUNE—ELECTION DAY!

Fridays 8.30am - 10.30am **Breakfast Cafe** 

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# 28th May 2017

## **Welcome to St Matt's**

We hope you enjoy being with us today. Our church is informal and family-friendly, and we serve tea and coffee at the back of the church throughout the service, except during prayer.

During our 10am service (except our Family Service on the 1st Sunday of the month) we have groups for babies, children and teenagers - please see inside for more information or ask a member of the Welcome Team.

If you are here for the first time, please introduce yourself to us - we would love to get to know you.

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## **Sunday Services**

Our Sunday Services are held at 10am and 5pm. On the first Sunday of the month there is also a Book of Common Prayer communion service at 8am. **10am:** informal and friendly with children's groups. Great coffee is served! **5pm:** traditional and welcoming, tea and cake is served from 4.30pm

#### **Sunday 7th May**

8am	Book of Common Prayer con	Book of Common Prayer communion service	
10am	Family service	Jon Carroll	
5nm	God's new community	Trevor Long	

**Sunday 14th May** 

10am Pray Bill MacDougall 5pm Facing opposition Julian Brierley

Sunday 21st May

10am Annual Church Meeting Chris Wicks

5pm Engaging culture Elizabeth Haughan

**Sunday 28th May** 

10am Mission focus Pat Blanchard 5pm (joint with Seven) Restoring the Kingdom? Pat Blanchard

#### Seven

Seven is a gathering of believers, creating space to focus on Jesus and worship him. No formula. Just authentic relationship.

We meet on a Sunday evening, from 7pm - 8pm in church, and then go onto The Brick Works afterwards for a drink. Everyone is welcome.

7th May	Belief vs doubt	Catherine Root
14th May	Living by God's word	Suzanne Owen
21st May	No time for favourites	Rob Wilson
28th May	joint service with 5pm, at 5pm	Pat Blanchard

## **Children & Youth on Sundays**

The 1st Sunday of the month is family service, with everyone in church. On all other Sundays, children & young people can go to these groups:

## **Notices**

## **Thy Kingdom Come**

#### **Tuesday 30th May**

7.30am - Prayer breakfast

7.45pm - Hungry

#### Wednesday 31st May

7.30am early morning prayer

Church open all day – messy/creative prayer and prayer labyrinth

#### Thursday 1st June

Church open all day – messy/creative prayer and prayer labyrinth

#### Friday 2nd June

7.30pm – Food & Foot Washing – plus hand massage!

## Saturday 3rd June

**Event at Canterbury Cathedral** 

#### Sunday 4th June - Pentecost

Family service, 5pm & Seven as normal

#### **Prayer journals**

Please pick up your prayer journals and family creative prayer journals from the back if you ordered them.

There are also some spares if you didn't order one and would like to have one.

#### Food and foot washing

Please sign up at the back of church if you would like to come to this on Friday, 7.30pm, so that we can provide the right amount of food. If you are coming and are able to donate £3 towards food, that would be much appreciated.

## Nick's Portrait Challenge for Revelation Life

Nick Funnell is offering to do pencil portraits over the next few weeks & months of people in exchange for a donation that will go to Revelation Life (run by Nicola and Simon Neal who spoke at our church weekend).

The donation can be for any amount and people can keep their portrait if they wish. All portraits will be drawn from photographs, so no sitting still for hours required!

If you are interested in helping Nick raise money for a fantastic cause, please talk to him, or Hannah in the office, for more details.

There is a very **urgent need for leaders for the 4 Longbarn Camps this summer**.

These wonderful Camps, for 8 - 11 year olds, are held under canvas, near Hadlow. The camps start on Sunday afternoons, and run till the next Saturday morning, weekly throughout the summer holidays.

Leaders can be from age 18 upwards, but would need to commit within the next week, in order that they can be checked out. Please contact longbarn.camp@virgin.net if you are interested.