

## Prayer & Worship Gatherings

<b>Tuesday mornings</b> 8am - 9am	<b>Prayer meeting in church</b> (every week) All are welcome to pray for the week ahead
<b>Sunday 15th Oct</b> 8am - 9am	<b>Mission Prayer Breakfast</b> (once a month) A chance to hear about and pray for our mission links
<b>Tuesday 17th Oct</b> 7.45pm - 9.30pm	<b>Hungry</b> (once a month) An evening of seeking God's presence through prayer and worship, with art material available
<b>Thursday 26th Oct</b> 7.30pm - 9.30pm	<b>Worship Evening Sessions</b> (once a month) This informal gathering of the worship team is a great opportunity to get together, get to know new songs and hone our skills

## Weekly Events

All our midweek groups and activities run during term-time.

<b>Mondays</b>	3.30pm - 5pm	<b>Deeper</b> for children in school years 3 - 5
<b>Tuesdays</b>	7pm - 9.30pm	<b>Youth House Group</b> for school years 11 - 13
<b>Wednesdays</b>	6pm - 7.30pm	<b>Ignite</b> for school years 6 - 10
<b>Thursdays</b>	10am - 11.30am	<b>Matt's Monkeys toddler group</b> for pre-school children and their parents / carers
<b>Fridays</b>	8.30am - 10.30am	<b>Breakfast Café</b>

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# st matt's

*igniting passion for Jesus*

## 22nd October 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 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.

We also have a more traditional service at 5pm and a gathering with more space to worship at 7pm.

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, 5pm and 7pm.

On the first Sunday of the month there is also a Book of Common Prayer communion service at 8am.

**10am:** informal and friendly, with groups for the children, except for the 1st Sunday of the month which is our family service. Great coffee is served!

**5pm:** traditional and welcoming, tea and cake is served from 4.30pm

**Seven:** space to focus on Jesus and worship Him. No formula, just authentic relationship. 7-8pm in church, and then drinks at The Brick Works afterwards.

Our sermon series for our 10am services this term is **Encounters with Jesus**.

### Sunday 22nd October

10am (communion)	Mary and Judas	Karen Hickson-Smith
5pm	Seeing the unseen	Chris Wicks
7pm	True worship	Chris Wicks

### Sunday 29th October

10am (family service)	Fifth Sunday Madness! - The man born blind	
5pm	The end of an era	Dedo Rampe
7pm	Don't worry	Suzanne Owen

### Sunday 5th November

8am	Book of Common Prayer communion service	
10am (family service)	Lazarus	Em Cheesman
5pm	All Saints	Trevor Long
7pm	Don't judge	tbc

## Children & Youth on Sundays

During term time, we run groups for all children, 0-18 years old, except for the 1st Sunday of the month when we have our family service.

<b>Shine</b>	0-2 year olds	they meet in the church centre
<b>Glow</b>	3 year olds to school year 1	leave by the church centre door
<b>Bright</b>	school years 2 to 5	leave by the main church door
<b>Encounter</b>	school years 6-13	leave by the office door

## Face to Face with Jesus

### Tuesday evenings in Nov and Dec

Would you like to find out more about Jesus?

Would you like to check out for yourself what the Christian faith is all about? Chris will be leading this 7-week look at the signs and miracles of Jesus in John's gospel. It's a great chance to ask questions and share ideas. Please see Chris if you would like to come, or for more information.

## Revive Christmas Event

### Friday 24th November 2017, 7.45pm - 10pm

This popular craft evening is back, and tickets are available to buy now! Come and try your hand at making some Christmas presents and decorations, whilst chilling out with a glass of mulled wine and Christmas nibbles.

The evening is for women, and for over 14s only.

Tickets are £8 and are available from Carole after church or from the office.

**Please could you keep any non-plastic corks from wine bottles and pass them to Carole or Hannah, for use at the Revive Christmas Event.**

## Friday Breakfast Café

Will be closed on Friday 27th October (half term)

## New Wine 2018

As you know, many of us from St. Matt's go to New Wine in the summer, which is held in Shepton Mallet, in Somerset. There will be a group of us going again next year, and the super early bird booking rate (the cheapest rate for booking) finishes on 3rd December. We will be going to Week 1, from Saturday 28th July to Friday 3rd Aug 2018. If you would like any more information, have a look on the New Wine website, or talk to someone who has been before!

## Games and toys wanted

**Board games** wanted for Ignite and Deeper—if you have any at home which you don't use any more, could you let Lois or Tom know please.

**Toy car garage, Happy Land toys and a play pop-up tent** wanted for toddler group - if you have any of these and are happy to donate them, please let Lois know.