

Next week's Services:

10am	Jesus is for life (Romans 5:12-21)	Chris Wicks
5pm	Advent Hope	Martin Franklin
7pm	Share	

Midweek Activities:

M		T h	10:00 - 11:30 Matt's Monkeys 15:45 - 17:00 Deeper 20:00 - 22:00 PCC meeting
T	08:00 - 09:00 Prayer meeting	F	8:30 - 10:30 Breakfast Café 19:45—22:00 Christmas Craft Event
W	18:00 - 19:30 Ignite	S	

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NOTICES & NEWS

20th November 2016

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.

Today's Services:

10am	Why Jesus? (Romans 5:1-11)	Suzanne Owen
5pm	Christ the King	Elizabeth Haughan
7pm	Worship	

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What's on at St. Matt's

Welcome event

Sunday 4th December 2016

There will be a welcome afternoon tea on Sunday 4th December for anyone who is fairly new to St. Matt's Church. This is a chance to meet people and to find out a bit more about our church.

If you would like to come, please give your names to Carole Wicks.

Revive Christmas Event!

Friday 25th November

7.45pm—10pm

Come and try your hand at making some Christmas presents and decorations whilst chilling out with a glass of mulled wine and delicious Christmas nibbles. All ladies welcome (over 14s only). Bring your friends!!

Tickets £8 available from Carole or the church office.

Mince pies for Christmas Event

If anyone would like to make or donate mince pies for the Christmas Event this Friday, they would be gratefully received!

Please let Hannah or Carole know asap if you can bring some, to make sure we have enough!! Thanks!

Prayer meeting

Tuesday mornings, 8am—9am

Every Tuesday morning there is a prayer meeting in church, open to everyone. We spend some time looking at a Bible passage and then pray for the coming week.

Help needed!

Jon would like to have more people helping at **Matt's Monkeys** on a **Thursday morning (10am—11.30am)**. There are lots of different roles, from chatting to the people who come, serving drinks, organising craft activities, manning the door, reading stories. Can you spare some time to come and join this team?

Please see Jon if you are able to help or for more information.

Thank-you for all your generous donations to the Royal British Legion during our Remembrance services last Sunday. We raised £326.39 including gift aid.

Christmas!

Christmas at St. Matt's

This year we are attempting to create a contemporary stable scene for our Christmas services.

We could do with some timber for it's construction (4"x2" ideally) and also any corrugated plastic or corrugated iron panels. If you have any of these, please let Chris know or email Hannah in the office.

We also want to make the inside a prayer space and would like to collect newspaper articles relating to Syria and Aleppo, Mosul, South Sudan and the refugee crisis in general. If you have newspapers at home, or as you get them over the next few weeks, please could you cut out any relevant articles and give them to Hannah?

If you could let us have things by the end of November, that would be great!
Thanks!

Christmas cards for Barnett's Wood

Every year Trevor Long delivers Christmas cards from St. Matt's to all the houses in Barnett's Wood. These have details of our Christmas services in and Trevor would like to put in the Christmas message in the form of a Tweet! So if you would like to try and get the Christmas story into 140 characters, email your Tweet to Hannah in the office by Monday 21st November!

Christmas cards for Charity

There will be Christmas cards for sale at the back of church on the 20th and 27th November.

All proceeds go to our link Diocese of Geita, Tanzania.

Cards are 60p each or 4 for £2.

Please come and have a look and support this work.

St. Matthew's School Christmas Fair

Saturday 26th November, 12pm - 3pm

Come along and support St. Matt's school.

There will be Santa's Grotto, Tombola, Raffle, Secret Santa, refreshments and much, much more!