

Prayer & Worship Gatherings

Tuesday mornings 8am - 9am	Prayer meeting in church (every week) All are welcome to pray for the week ahead
Sunday 19th Nov 8am - 9am	Mission Prayer Breakfast (once a month) A chance to hear about and pray for our mission links
Tuesday 21st Nov 7.45pm - 9.30pm	Hungry (once a month) An evening of seeking God's presence through prayer and worship, with art material available
Thursday 23rd Nov 7.30pm - 9.30pm	Worship Evening Sessions (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.

Mondays	3.30pm - 5pm	Deeper for children in school years 3 - 5
Wednesdays	6pm - 7.30pm	Ignite for school years 6 - 10
Thursdays	10am - 11.30am	Matt's Monkeys toddler group for pre-school children and their parents / carers
Fridays	8.30am - 10.30am	Breakfast Café
Sundays	5pm - 6.30pm	Youth House Group for school years 10 - 13

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igniting passion for Jesus

19th November 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 19th November

10am	Pontius Pilate	Libby Sutcliffe
5pm	Giving an account	Elizabeth Haughan
7pm	Acting on God's Word	Rob Dillingham

Sunday 26th November

10am	Mary Magdalene	Dedo Rampe
5pm	Christ the King	Chris Wicks
7pm	God's plan: the prophets	tbc

Sunday 3rd December

8am	Book of Common Prayer communion service	
10am (family service)	Advent Sunday - Love	Lois Fryett
5pm	Advent Sunday	Trevor Long
7pm	God's plan - John	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.

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

Hungry - Tuesday 21st November, 7.45pm - 9.30pm

Hungry is on this week, and is a great chance to seek God's presence in worship and prayer. Everyone is welcome.

Last week we raised £220.41 for the Royal British Legion through our offerings - thank you.

Revive Christmas Craft Event

...is this Friday and is almost full!! If you want tickets, please let Carole know today, so we can cater for the right number of people.

Working party - Saturday 25th November, 9am

There are a lot of bushes and plants that need cutting back on the High Brooms Road side of church, so David will be heading up a working party on Saturday 25th November to get it all neat and tidy again!
If you are able to come and help on that morning, please let David know.

Planning ahead for Christmas? Why not join in the giant St Matt's Christmas Card 2017?

Instead of sending lots of cards to friends at St Matt's, how about signing the giant, joint card (we will have this available in church to start signing in December) and give the money you would have spent on cards to our Christmas Offering. This year our offering will be going to the disabled children in Shalom, Peru - more details coming soon.

The front of the card will be unveiled on Christmas Day!

Jean will be selling homemade Christmas cards and greetings cards in church to raise money for Geita, Tanzania, on Sunday 19th and 26th Nov, and Sunday 10th Dec.

Nourish Foodbank

We will be collecting food for Nourish at our next family service as usual. They currently need tinned fish, tinned spaghetti, tinned fruit, toilet roll, pulses, sugar, coffee, squash, cereal, powdered/UHT milk, dog & cat food.

They have plenty of pasta, soup and beans!!

They are also launching their reverse advent calendar again this year.

<http://www.nourishcommunityfoodbank.org.uk/reverse-advent/>