

## 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 19th Nov</b> 8am - 9am	<b>Mission Prayer Breakfast</b> (once a month) A chance to hear about and pray for our mission links
<b>Tuesday 21st Nov</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 23rd Nov</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>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>
<b>Sundays</b>	5pm - 6.30pm	<b>Youth House Group</b> for school years 10 - 13

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# st matt's

*igniting passion for Jesus*

## 5th 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 5th November

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

### Sunday 12th November (Remembrance Sunday)

10am	Peter	Chris Wicks
5pm	Bereavement service	Matt Taylor
7pm	Soaking and communion	

### Sunday 19th November

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

## 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

## Revive Christmas Craft Evening

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 & 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.

### Requests for craft evening

There are a few things we need to make the evening run successfully...

- If you are able to make and donate **home made mince pies** for this event, please could you let Carole or Hannah know asap?
- If you have any **digital kitchen scales** that we could borrow for the evening, please let Hannah know, and please name them before you bring them!
- Please could you keep any **non-plastic corks** from wine bottles and pass them to Carole or Hannah, for one of the crafts.

### Bereavement service

Sunday 12th November, 5pm

Every year, on Remembrance Sunday, we hold a memorial service for those who have been bereaved in recent years. The service gives an opportunity to pause and give thanks and remember the lives of those whom we have loved but are no longer with us.

If you, or anyone you know, would like to come to this service, you are very welcome. Tea and cake will be served at 4.30pm, with the service starting at 5pm. Please let Hannah know if you are coming, so that we have an idea of numbers. Thank-you.

### Christ Church (Southborough) Christmas Fair

Saturday 18th November, 11am - 1.30pm

All are welcome to Christ Church's annual Christmas Fair!

Entrance is free, and there will be all sorts for sale—cakes, gifts and crafts, jewellery, toys and books - as well as a raffle, tombola and refreshments.

### Winter Shelter Commissioning Service

Saturday 25th November, 6pm, at the Salvation Army

All are welcome for shared worship and to commission this amazing venture.