## **Prayer & Worship Gatherings**

**Tuesday mornings** Prayer meeting in church (every week)

8am - 9am All are welcome to pray for the week ahead

Sunday 16th Sept Mission Prayer Breakfast (once a month)

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

**Thursday 27th Sept** Worship Evening Sessions (once a month)

7.30pm - 9.30pm A chance for those in the worship teams, and anyone

interested in joining, to meet together to hone skills

and learn new songs.

THERE WILL BE NO **HUNGRY** (our prayer and worship evenings) in the autumn term because we will be running Alpha on Tuesday evenings.

### **Weekly Events**

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

Mondays 3.30pm - 5pm **Deeper** 

for children in school years 3 - 6

**Tuesdays** 5pm - 6pm **Equip** (younger youth)

Wednesdays 6pm - 7.30pm Ignite

for school years 7 - 10

Wednesdays 8pm - 9.30pm

Equip (older youth)

Matt's Monkeys toddler group

for pre-school children and their

parents / carers

Fridays 8.30am - 10.30am Breakfast Café

9.30am - 11.15am

Open to everyone!

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**Thursdays** 

If you would like to place a notice in this notice sheet, please email the office.

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# 2nd September 2018

# **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 one of the Welcome Team- 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.

#### **Sunday 2nd September**

10am (family service)	Change starts with you	Hannah Mwesigwa
5pm	Fulfilling	Trevor Long
7pm	Fulfilling	Katy Johnson

#### **Sunday 9th September**

10am	Introduction to Acts	Chris Wicks
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5pm Keeping secrets tbc 7pm Keeping secrets 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 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

Children will be brought back into church at the end of the service, and in time for communion on the 4th Sunday of the month.

## Prayer meeting for youth team

Monday 3rd September, 8-9pm in church

There will be a prayer meeting tomorrow for anyone who leads or helps with youth work at St. Matt's, or anyone else who would like to join them.



We have started to use a new church management system over the summer, called Church Suite. This software will bring a lot of our admin and communication into one place, will help us to store and use personal data more securely and communicate all that is going on more effectively. It will help us as we launch hubs and Alpha, and will hopefully benefit us all! One part of Church Suite is an area called 'My Church Suite', which can be downloaded as an app or accessed on a computer. This means each member of the congregation can have their own access to Church Suite, to see all the information that relates to them. This includes events, small groups, rotas, children's information, sermons, and more!

We will be sending out an email this week to each person we have email addresses for, which allows you to create your account by choosing a password. You can then explore what My Church Suite has to offer. Tom, Lois, Chris and I will be available after services for the next few weeks to answer any questions you have, or help you set up your account.

## Alpha @ St. Matt's Tuesday evenings

This autumn, we will be running an Alpha course at St. Matt's. Alpha is a great course for those with questions about life, or about the Christian faith, or for those who want to know more. There are leaflets at the back of church which you can take and give to friends or neighbours who you would like to invite.

There are also leaflets to deliver to all the roads in our parish, so if you can help with delivering any of those, it would be much appreciated.

There will be NO
Nourish collections
in August and
September. Our
next collection day
for the foodbank
will be Sun 7th
October 2018.

## **Revive Women's Breakfast**

Saturday 29th September, 8.30-10.30am

Our next women's breakfast is in a few weeks time, and we will be having a speaker from A Rocha UK, a Christian charity working to protect and restore our natural world.

We will be thinking about living more sustainably,

using less plastic, and how we care for our world.

Coffee & croissants from 8.30am, followed by

worship, teaching and ministry.