

## Prayer & Worship Gatherings

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| <b>Tuesday mornings</b><br>8am - 9am | <b>Prayer meeting in church</b> (every week)<br>All are welcome to pray for the week ahead   |
| <b>Sunday 20th Jan</b><br>8am - 9am  | <b>Mission Prayer Breakfast</b> (3rd Sun of every month)<br>A chance to hear about and pray for our mission links                        |
| <b>Monday 7th Jan</b><br>8pm - 9pm   | <b>Youth Prayer Meeting</b> (1st Mon of every month)<br>Come and pray for the young people of St. Matt's<br>and the work we do with them |

**Worship evening sessions** - there may be one of these sessions for the worship band in March. Please see Ali Granger for more details on this or if you would like to join the worship team.

## Weekly Events

All our midweek groups and activities meet during term time and will restart the week beginning 7th January.

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| <b>Mondays</b>    | 3.30pm - 5pm     | <b>Deeper</b><br>for children in school years 3 - 6  |
| <b>Wednesdays</b> | 6pm - 7.30pm     | <b>Ignite</b><br>for school years 7 - 13   |
| <b>Wednesdays</b> | 8pm - 9.30pm     | <b>Equip</b> (older youth)   |
| <b>Thursdays</b>  | 9.30am - 11.15am | <b>Matt's Monkeys toddler group</b><br>for pre-school children and their<br>parents / carers |
| <b>Fridays</b>    | 8.30am - 10.30am | <b>Breakfast Café</b><br>Open to everyone!   |

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

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## 6th January 2019

# 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 6th January

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| 10am (family service) | Epiphany     | Tom Tyler   |
| 5pm                   | Seeing anew! | Chris Wicks |
| 7pm                   | Seeing anew! | Chris Wicks |

### Sunday 13th January

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|------|------------------------|-------------|
| 10am | Naturally Supernatural | Chris Wicks |
| 5pm  | A Father's Son         | Trevor Long |
| 7pm  | A Father's Son         | Bob Groves  |

### Sunday 20th January

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| 10am            | Empowered!     | Chris Wicks |
| 5pm (communion) | A Mother's Son | tbc         |
| 7pm (communion) | A Mother's Son | tbc         |

## Children & Youth on Sundays

During term time, we run groups for children, except for the 1st Sunday of the month when we have our family service.

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| <b>Shine</b>     | 0-2 year olds                | in the church centre            |
| <b>Glow</b>      | 3 year olds to school year 2 | leave by the church centre door |
| <b>Bright</b>    | school years 3 to 5          | leave by the main church door   |
| <b>Encounter</b> | school years 6-9             | 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.

## Youth Prayer Meeting

**Monday 7th January, 8pm - 9pm**

The monthly prayer meeting to pray for the young people of St. Matt's and the work we do with them, is tomorrow evening in the church centre.  
Everyone is welcome.

Ruth and Laura will be meeting at Minor Mania at Bells Yew Green on Sunday 6th January (TODAY!) at 2:30pm.  
If anyone else would like to join them for conversation and company they would be very welcome.

## Hubs

In September, we launched some new activity groups called Hubs. Hubs play a crucial part in our wider vision for discipleship at St. Matt's. As smaller mid-week groups, they are perfectly placed to form community, build friendships and have fun whilst learning together to practice doing the things Jesus did. They are the heart of how we can practically live out our vision to "ignite passion for Jesus". We believe that our passions, giftings and creativity are God-given and are enhanced by our faith in Christ.

**We would like to start some new activity hubs in January, so if you have an idea for a hub that you would like to run, please pick up one of the submission forms at the back of church, and return it to the office by Sunday 13th January.**

## Thank-you!

Thank-you to everyone who gave to our Christmas Offering for Sozo - we raised about £2000 which will help to train young people as coffee baristas in South Africa.

Thank-you also for the gifts donated for the hostel and winter shelter.

## YFC Barn Dance

**Sat 2nd February, 7pm - 10.30pm, Bidborough Village Hall**

Tunbridge Wells Youth For Christ are holding a fundraising barn dance, with live music, a hot meal and a cash bar.

Tickets are available from [tunbridgewells.yfc.co.uk](http://tunbridgewells.yfc.co.uk)

Adults £20, Children under 18 £10