

# St. Matt's Midweek Update – 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026



I hope you have had a good week.

Today has run away with me, so just a few notices for the coming 2 weeks...

## Church office closed

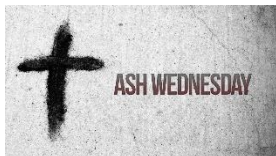
I am going to be on leave next week, so the church office will be closed.

If you need any help during the week, please contact Brian ([brian@stmattschurch.org.uk](mailto:brian@stmattschurch.org.uk)).



**This Sunday** (15th February) our 10am service will be a communion service, with Richard speaking to us about the Parable of the Sower from Matthew 13:3-23. We will have groups for our children and young people during the service.

**Next Sunday** (22nd February) we just have our 10am service. Suzanne will be starting our Lent series about Jesus' journey to the cross, and she will be speaking about the anointing at Bethany, from Matthew 26:6-16. We will have groups for our children and young people during the service.



## Ash Wednesday service

Lent starts on Wednesday next week (18th February), and we will have an Ash Wednesday service at 8pm in church and online. This is a quiet reflective service with communion, to start the season of Lent together.



## Coffee morning with pancakes

Rosemary and her team are holding their next coffee morning on Tuesday 17th February, from 10.30am - 12pm in church. It is Shrove Tuesday so there will be pancakes as well!

There will also be cakes and books for sale, a bric-a-brac stall and a raffle. Any money raised will go to Brains Matter, a local charity supporting those affected by brain injury.



## Prayer Meetings

We really hope you can join us for our next prayer meeting, on **Thursday 26th February at 8pm.**

**Please note the change of venue - we will be meeting at Mary's house**, due to needing to be more flexible on timings with our new cleaners!

If you don't know where Mary lives, please come and ask one of us on Sunday.



## Easter Sunday baptisms

We are really pleased that we are able to offer full immersion baptisms this Easter Sunday if anyone would like to be baptised.

Please come and talk to me or let me know by email by the end of the month if you or your young people are interested in being baptised this Easter.

## A couple of other things coming up in the next couple of weeks:

Mission Prayer Meeting - Wednesday 18th Feb 3.30pm at Mary's house

Knitting Hub - Saturday 28th Feb 10am in the church centre



The next Unite town-wide youth event is **TODAY** at **5.30pm** at The Wells Church (above Tesco in town). This is for anyone in school years 6-13. More information and sign up [here](#).

## Life & Soul Quiz Night

Life & Soul would love for you to join their next brain-boggling quiz night on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb, 7pm – 10pm at Christ Church TW.

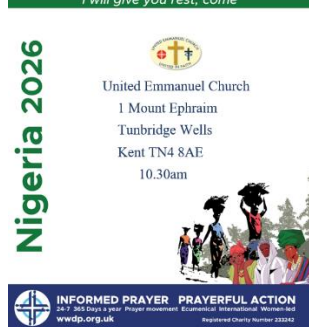
"Gather a team of 8 and come and stretch your brains, dig into your general knowledge, test your lateral thinking, get creative and have lots of fun. Let's see if you can win the coveted winners hamper instead of the wooden spoon!"

There will be a bar full of a range of alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks, as well as some nibbles to buy. They will also have delicious desserts supplied by local cafes/shops/home bakers on offer during the interval for a donation.

There will be a chance to hear a short update about Life & Soul's work and all money raised will go straight to support the mental health of the children and young people they work with.

Book tickets

here <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/102681>



## World Day of Prayer

United Emmanuel Church Tunbridge Wells are hosting the World Day Of Prayer service on **Friday 6th March at 10.30am**. The Service has been prepared this year by an ecumenical group of Christian women from Nigeria, and is open to all.

I hope you have a good weekend!  
See you on Sunday.

St. Matthew's Church Office High Brooms Road Tunbridge Wells Kent TN4 9BW  
01892 618108 [office@stmattschurch.org.uk](mailto:office@stmattschurch.org.uk) [www.stmattschurch.org.uk](http://www.stmattschurch.org.uk)  
Registered charity number 1185772