



An **AUTUMN FAIR** will be held at Ralph Perring Court (Stone Park Avenue) on Tuesday 17th October at 10.30 am.

Lots of bargains to be had, also Grand Raffle, Tombola and refreshments. All are welcome!

**FOOD BANK** - The Food Bank continues to run and needs your support so please try to remember to bring your donations which are all gratefully received. Dried and tinned goods, laundry products, toiletries etc. all donations welcome.

**CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY (CAP)** are hosting their annual London Dinner. The venue is Old Billingsgate, London, EC3. The date is Saturday 25th of November, from 7.15pm. The tickets are free, but please bear in mind that this is a fundraising event. For more details please contact Rachel Williams on 07804 596226. Thank you.



**MODEL RAILSHOW - Saturday 28th October** - here at St. John's Church & Halls. 10.00 am - 5.00 pm.

Do come along and see the amazing transformation of the space in church filled with model railway layouts. Up to 18 working layouts will be displayed - many representing well known

areas and landmarks. The halls will also have trains and Model Railways Societies. Refreshments also available. Entry: Adults £6 Concessions £5 Child £4 Family £12

### Refreshments

Refreshments will be served on Sunday 22nd October by members of Heather Freeman's group.



Vicar: Rev'd Liz Lander ☎ 8650 6110 ✉ [landerliz@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:landerliz@yahoo.co.uk) (Liz's day off is Thursday)

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Office Hours: Mon, Weds, Thurs & Fri 9.00 am -1.00 pm **CLOSED TUESDAYS**

## News & Notices

**15th October 2017**

A very warm welcome to you all, especially if you are new to St. John's or you are just visiting - we are delighted to have you with us. Refreshments will be served after the service so do please stay and join us for coffee/tea.

### Sunday 15th October

10.00 am Morning Worship - Rev'd Liz Lander

#### **How can I be saved?**

Luke 18: 18 - 30 and Revelation 3: 14 - 20

3.30 pm



Fun for families with crafts, activities, music and afternoon tea to share! All are welcome - do come along and join us.

### Wednesday 18th October

11.15 am Holy Communion - Dr. David Plummer

### Sunday 22nd October

10.00 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Scott Smith

#### **Being filled with the Holy Spirit**

Readings: Luke 1:39-42, 57-58 & 67-80  
Acts 2:1-6 & 12-21

NO EVENING SERVICE

### **Special Prayer for eighteenth Sunday after Trinity**

*God, our judge and saviour,  
teach us to be open to your truth  
and to trust in your love,  
that we may live each day  
with confidence in the salvation which is given  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

*If you would like prayer today - please speak to the person leading the service who will find someone to pray with you*

### Monday 16th October

1.00 pm FOCUS - Lunch followed by speaker Tim Scott (see note opposite)

### Tuesday 17th October

10.00 am The Ark

### Wednesday 18th October

11.15 am Holy Communion

12.30 pm LINK

1.30 pm Art Class

2.00 pm Exercise class for all ages and abilities

5.30 pm Kingfishers (see note on back page)

### Friday 20th October

8.45 am Parish Prayers

#### Please pray for:

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| - Norma Swinfen                   | - Paul Allen    |
| - Hilary Cameron                  | - Jim Cruse     |
| - Colette Connor                  | - Graham Kembey |
| - Alan Abbott (stepson of Carole) | - Stan Elsey    |
| - Jane Newman                     | - Keith Shelley |
| - Kit Grant                       | - Essie Grives  |
| - Brian & Rosemary Clayton        | - Joan Jones    |

*We were sad to hear of the death of Mark Watson's mother. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Mark's Dad and the rest of the family at this difficult time.*

*Please also pray for Sandra, Mike & Rachel Brown and the family this week as the funeral takes place of Mike's Dad, Michael, on Wednesday, October 18th. Michael & Sandra Brown were members of St. John's many years ago and may be remembered by some of our congregation.*

*Please remember Scott's sister-in-law Tracy and family following the sudden death of her Father. Our thoughts and prayers are with the extended family at this very sad time.*

#### Special prayer topics

- Older people at home - retired people
- Residents who live in Deveraux Close



Today we pray for the persecuted church in  
**Saudi Arabia**

- For opportunities for Saudi believers to share their faith with their families, and for their family members to be open to the gospel
- For protection for secret believers
- Praise God for Saudis who have discovered Jesus through dreams and visions, or through Christian TV programmes. Ask God to reveal Himself to more people, and pray that they would grow in their faith.



**OPEN DOORS** is the charity we are currently supporting as part of our world mission focus. Every week we have been listing prayer pointers for one of the countries on the World Watch List where it is most difficult to live as a Christian. On **Sunday 5th November** we will be welcoming a speaker from **Open Doors** who will be here to tell us more about their mission to help people who live in terrible fear around the world. Please make a note of this date and join us for this presentation.

*"If one part of the body suffers, every part suffers with it."*

*1 Corinthians 12:26*

**Open Doors dream of a world in which every Christian who is persecuted is remembered and supported by other Christians**

**FOCUS** - Monday 16th October at **1.00 pm** - Focus will be having lunch together at 1.00 pm and we will be joined by Tim Scott as he comes to tell us his story following a devastating accident that left him in a wheelchair. Tim now works for the charity 'Back Up' who support people like himself who have suffered spinal cord injuries. The charity aims to inspire people like Tim to get the most out of life. If you would like to join us for lunch and to hear Tim speak, please do contact Liz King or Astra Peters. All are welcome to join us for lunch or to come along to hear Tim at 2.00 pm.

***Congratulations to Rod & Liz Bligh** who are celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary! You are all invited to share some celebration cakes with your coffee today after the service.*



**ADVANCE NOTICE** - This year we will be holding a Christmas Craft Fair on **Saturday 9th December** from 1.00 - 4.00 pm. With 'Stay & Play' for families and afternoon tea & carol singing. This will be a *'Here for Good'* event with lots of opportunities to invite members of our local community, family and friends. More details about this event coming soon but please make a note of the date.

***Rev'd Liz Lander** will be away on holiday from tomorrow 16th October until 30th October. Please pray for Liz whilst she is away, for rest, relaxation and recharging.*