

TEACHING & PREACHING IN THE AUTUMN

Look out for the leaflet advertising our autumn series and also for the new Homegroup notes. Three key series for our spiritual development will be starting soon.

Mornings - starting on 6th September we will be exploring the subject of "Church" - What do you understand by church? Is it a cosy club for the members or a force for the benefit of non-members? Or is it something else? Nine sermons based around what the Bible teaches us about church.

Evenings - again, starting on 6th September, another nine sermon series on the book of Revelation. Much of Revelation is written as messages to the "church" so there will be a direct read across to our morning series. What does the last book of the Bible have to say to us today?

Kids2Kids

We will be running a table sale event exclusively for children under 16 called "**Kids2Kids**" on Saturday 3rd October. Children will hire a "table" (£3.50 if booked in advance) and will sell unwanted items such as books, toys, CD's, clothes, accessories (anything in good condition) - to other children. Please encourage your children, or grandchildren to think about taking part in this fun event. Proceeds from Table bookings will go to Cornerstone. If you have questions about Kids2Kids, please speak to Hayley Kembey (8658 8064)

Set Free to Worship - A day conference for women - to be held on Saturday 10th October at Christ Church, Anerley. £18 (£15 concession) for the day which includes lunch. Forms available on the information table or contact Christchurch Anerley on 8778 7014.

FOR SALE (owner moving): 6 berth Conway Cruiser Trailer Tent. Comes with fridge, cooker, sink etc., awning and camping bits. Will sell cheaply. In the first instance, please contact Maureen Lang on 8650 6151

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St John's

Church for Eden Park

News & Notices for week commencing Sunday 30th August 2009

A very warm welcome to our Services today. Please stay for refreshments after the morning service which will be available at the top end of the church and also brought around on trays. A hearing aid loop is available in all areas of the church.

Sunday 30th August

10.00 am Morning Worship - Sally Rowland
Remembering what's important
Exodus 11:1 - 8 & 12: 29 - 32

6.30 pm Informal Service with Holy Communion - Dr David Plummer
"I am the Vine"
John 15: 1 - 8

Wednesday 2nd September

10.45 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Nick Lang

Sunday 6th September

8.00 am: Holy Communion Rev'd Nick Lang

10.00 am Morning Worship - Rev'd Liz Lander
Church: a community energised by God
Acts 2: 12 - 6, 12 - 21 and 1 Corinthians 12: 1 & 4 - 11

6.30 pm Holy Communion - Rev'd Nick Lang
Revelation: a message to the churches
Revelation 1 and Mark 14: 60 - 64

Special prayer for the 12th Sunday after Trinity

*God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may grow,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen*

Is there something you would like to pray about today? Someone will be available to pray with you in the Chapel after each service.

Monday 31st August

BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY

Tuesday 1st September

8.00 pm Hour of Prayer in the vicarage.

Wednesday 2nd September

9.15 am Parish Prayers

10.45 am Holy Communion in the Chapel

10.30 am The LINK – coffee followed by lunch from 12 noon

Friday 4th September

8.45 am Parish Prayers

Please pray for –

- ◆ *Michael Jones*
- ◆ *Beryle Shephard*
- ◆ *Chris Clayton and for his wife Sue.*
- ◆ *Felix Nettey*
- ◆ *Fred Scales*
- ◆ *Joyce (Margaret Murrell's sister) and also for Margaret's neighbour Carol - both needing prayer for better pain relief.*
- ◆ *Joyce Foulger*
- ◆ *Esme Tickell*
- ◆ *Lily Freeman*
- ◆ *Jean Hall*
- ◆ *June Hart*

Fi Nichols & Family

We are sad to announce that Bronwyn, Fi & Andy's niece, whom we have been praying for, died on the morning of 28th August, aged 2 ½ years. Our love and prayers are with Fi, Andy and the rest of their family, especially Hugh & Elspeth, Bronwyn's parents and her sisters, Anya & Lucy.

Daniel Harris

Jill and Keith wish to thank everyone for their prayers in the past week. Daniel has now been found. Please continue to pray for his continuing care and for Jill and Keith and their family.

Prayers - 1st September at 8.00 pm

This week is the last meeting of our informal prayer sessions which have been taking place during the summer. A chance to look at a piece of scripture and pray for the life and work of our church and the community and world at large.

Special prayer topics:

- ◆ *Residents of Tonge Close & Barts Close*
- ◆ *Homemakers - those caring for families at home*

We are pleased to welcome Sally Rowland today, an Ordinand in training, who is on placement with us for six weeks. Sally will be preaching this morning and will be leading and preaching a number of times during her placement. Please take the opportunity to speak to Sally after the service.

Carol Morrison - Tickets

Carol will be ordained in Rochester Cathedral on Saturday 5th September at 3.00 pm. We now have access to a few tickets for this service. Anyone planning to go who wishes to be sure of a seat, please talk to Liz King in the office or directly to Nick. We need to know by Monday evening in order to get the tickets put in the post to us. Everyone is encouraged to be praying for Carol as she enters this important stage of her ministry.

WONDERFUL, EXCITING NEWS!

We will be running a holiday club in October - it is a fantastic opportunity for us to share with children in Eden Park how amazing Jesus is and how much he loves them. We need people who love Jesus and love children to help us. **Could that be you?** The club runs on 29th & 30th October from 9.30 am - 12.30 pm and on the evening of the 30th there will be a light party from 6.30 - 8.00pm. Do see me, or sign on the sheet on the Information table if you are interested in being a part of this special opportunity.

Liz Lander

Home Groups - The proposed new Home Groups are on display today. Please look on the tables at either end of the church. An asterisk indicates the leader/coordinator of the group. In some cases this is a shared role. Please talk to David White or Fi Nichols if you have any question about your place in a group. Home Groups resume week commencing 7th September and notes, written by Will Foulger, on a series on the Gospel of John are available now. Talk to your Homegroup leader .

Kingfishers have a few spaces for next term. We meet in the middle hall on Wednesdays from 5.30-6.30pm and children from age 4 to those starting Year 2 are welcome to come along. if you would like more details contact Elizabeth Clarke (020 8650 2170 or elizabethjclarke@btinternet.com)

MENS VIEWPOINT - The next Men's Viewpoint breakfast will be on Saturday 19th September at 7.45 am. Our speaker will be Mark Newman. Further details from David White.