

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here with us today. You are especially welcome if you are new to the Church at St John's. If you would like more information about the church, please take and complete a slip in the Welcome Area and give it to a Steward or a Minister.

Today at St. Johns

8:00am	Communion	Reading: Hebrews 7: 1-28
10:00am	Communion	Reading: Hebrews 7: 1-28 <i>Preacher: Glyn Lucas</i>
6:30pm	Evening Worship	Reading: Leviticus – Corners of the Old Testament <i>Preacher: Peter Chamberlin</i>

Today at Emmanuel Church, Mayford

9:30am	Morning Worship	Reading: Hebrews 5:11-6:20
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Next Week at St John's

8:00am	Communion	Reading: Hebrews 8: 1-13
10:00am	Morning Worship	Reading: Hebrews 8: 1-13
6:30pm	Evening worship	Reading: Judges – Corners of the Old Testament

Next Week at Emmanuel

9:30am	Morning Worship	Reading: Hebrews 5: 11-6:20
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This week's collect (Special Prayer for Today)

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

What's happening this week...

Mon 20 th	9:30am	Ladies' Bible group	Church lounge
Tues 21 st	6:00pm	Dangerous Kids Club (Yrs. 3-6)	Youth Centre
	7:00pm	1Eighty (Yrs. 7-9)	Youth Centre
	7.45pm	iNsight (Yrs. 10-13)	Youth Centre
Wed 22 nd	10.00am	Men's Bible Study	Church lounge
	7:45pm	Homegroup in church	Church

Thurs 23 rd	9:30am 10:30am	First-steps toddler group Grieving hearts group	Youth Centre Church lounge
Fri 24 th	7:45am	Ladies' Christmas Event-Taste and Rate	Narthex

Christmas Choir!!

Everyone is welcome, no experience necessary!

Rehearsals are on:

Thurs 30th Nov – 8pm-9:30pm

Sun 3rd Dec – 3pm-4:30pm

Thurs 7th Dec – 8pm-9:30pm

Sun 10th Dec – 3pm-4:30pm

Thurs 14th Dec – 8pm-9:30pm

Save the dates:

Dec 8th – Men's Curry Night **7pm**

Dec 9th – Christingle **4pm**

Dec 14th – CAMEO **2pm**

Dec 15th – Carol singing at Rowbarge Pub **8pm**

Dec 17th – Carols by Candlelight **6.30pm**

Dec 24th – Nativity service **10am**

Dec 24th – Midnight Communion (*NB: No 6.30pm service*)

Dec 25th – Christmas Morning Services at **8am** and **10am**

Help needed: Cooking for Youth Christmas Event

Our young people are having a Christmas meal on **Tuesday 12th December**. Please speak to Peter Chamberlin if you help by cooking. We're looking for 4 people to make a meal (e.g., chili-con-carne / curry / stew) for around 8-10 hungry young-people + leaders, which can be dropped off at the venue (another church member's house) in a pan/slow cooker before the event. Carbs sorted separately. Michelin star not required. Talk to Peter about expenses. Home-made puddings also needed. Please speak to Peter if you could make something yummy!

SGP Prayers: Farnham Baptist: Pray for the Men's curry night on 25th November where John Ross will be speaking. Pray for the ladies' Christmas event on 9th December where Daphne Ross will be speaking. Pray for an event titled 'Conversations about suffering' on 23rd November. Pray people will come to all these events and that the gospel will be clearly heard by them.

Operation Christmas Child: Thank you to all those who contributed boxes. We collected 103 this year.

Thank you to everyone who performed and came to watch the Remembrance Concert. We raised £734 (plus over £60 in gift aid) for the Royal British Legion

Advent Book for Sale: 'The One True Light' is now on sale for £2.50/-. There is a payment box in the welcome area, or you could pay online:

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The new academic year has kicked off with a bang and we are nearly now at the end of the Autumn term. Christmas is just around the corner! I am so excited for the happiest time of the year! Even though we have a lot of events coming up throughout December, a lot has happened over the last 2 weeks that was just as exciting! Working in children's and youth ministry means you get to witness and see a lot of different and crazy things in the church like the middle church isle being set up as a bowling alley!

We have had 3 wonderful events happen over the last two weeks including a Bonfire Light party for the primary school children, two baptisms and a confirmation, as well as our incredible remembrance concert!

We had 45+ children attend our awesome bonfire party on Halloween night where we ate s'mores, played glow in the dark bowling, had a dance, and heard about Elijah the prophet around the bonfire. Our teens also got a chance to eat s'mores and play some bowling in the church lounge!

So many people heard from the Bible at a fun alternative to Halloween traditions. It is so encouraging to know that many of the families that showed up were not from our church community and were willing to participate in an event that was different from trick or treating.

Two of our incredible young people were baptised last week and was so wonderful that a few of them chose to get confirmed last week. So amazing to know that our young people are wanting to publicly declare that they wish to follow Jesus forever. I grew up in a church where baptism was such a common practice and to see two of our young people choose to go down that route was very exciting!

To top that off, we had a fun night at our church remembrance concert last Saturday the 11th of November. We heard so many different pieces of music and a wide range of instruments as well as children and adults stepping up to perform. The children that all performed are so talented and to hear some of them sing, play instruments and even do a rap was just a blast! They honestly have more courage than me! It was so brave to step up in front of people to play!

It is amazing to know that God is present throughout everything here and always moving through all kinds of ministry.

Kim Phillips (Ministry Trainee)

Sermon Notes:

Our Parish Safeguarding Officer, Mary Kirkman, is available for advice or to talk through concerns relating to safeguarding. Tel 07763 456015 or email:

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Recordings of our livestreamed services are available on our website.

Gluten free wafers are available for communicants.

Non-alcoholic alternative is available during communion.

*Someone from our Prayer Ministry Team (with **blue lanyards**) will be available after the 10am service to pray with those who would like prayer.*