

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here with us today. We welcome those who are new to the Church. If you would like more information about us, please take and complete a slip in the Welcome Area and give it to a Steward or a Minister, or scan the QR code (right), and also in the Welcome Area.



Collect

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Parish Services Today

8am	St John's	Communion (BCP)	<i>1 Timothy 2:8-15</i> <i>Preacher:</i> <i>Rev. Glyn Lucas</i>
10am	St John's	Communion	
4pm	Emmanuel	Afternoon Worship	
6.30pm	St John's	Evening Worship	<i>Is God's word clear?</i> <i>Preacher:</i> <i>Rev. Peter Chamberlin</i>

Parish Services Next Week (Oct 4th)

8am	St John's	Communion (BCP)	<i>Mark 4:26-29</i>
10am	St John's	Harvest All Age Service followed by bring and share lunch	
4pm	Emmanuel	Communion	
6.30pm	St. John's	Evening Worship	<i>Is God's word enough?</i>

A hearing loop is available in the church.

Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic grape juice are available for communicants. Just indicate to the servers if you would like either of these alternatives.

Recordings of our livestreamed services are available on our website
www.stjohnswoking.uk

Events This Week:

Mon 28 th	9:30am 8:00pm	Ladies' Bible group Music rehearsals	Lounge Church
Tues 29 th	6:00pm 7:15pm	Dangerous Kids Club (7-10s) Youth groups (11-18s)	Youth Centre Youth Centre
Wed 30 th	7:45pm	<i>Men's group will meet from October</i> Homegroup in church	Lounge
Thurs 1 st	9:30am 2:30pm	First-steps toddler group Thursday Fellowship	Youth Centre Lounge
Fri 2 nd	9:30pm	Ladies' Bible group	Youth Centre

Our **Harvest service** is on **October 4th** It is followed by bring & share lunch at St John's, for which there is a **sign-up sheet in the welcome area.**

As part of our Harvest Offering, please bring and donate items to Woking Foodbank. Items required urgently are:

Laundry detergent	Instant mashed potato
Washing up liquid	Small jars of coffee
Toilet rolls	Instant, rice or egg noodles
Shampoo & conditioner	Long-life sponge puddings
Toilet gel & liquid	Hot chocolate
Surface and anti-bacterial cleaners	Marmite
Deodorant	Meat/chicken tinned meals
Shaving gel & foam	Tins of corned beef, ham, spam, salmon
Mayonnaise & tomato ketchup	Tinned custard
Tinned sweetcorn	Semi-skimmed long-life milk

Marriage MOT is on October 9th at 7.45pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the Welcome Area.

Poppy Cross Making. For children and young people. On 11th October we shall be making simple Poppy crosses ready for Remembrance Sunday. We'd love lots of help from children and young people to make these. This will happen during coffee time after the service in the church lounge.

Do encourage your child to join. It's a great way to help them engage with Remembrance.

Singers Needed for our Remembrance Sunday Choir on 8th November

Music will be available in advance, no experience required. There will be two rehearsals: **Sunday 1st November at 3pm** and **Thursday 5th November at 8pm**

Please note that Saunders Lane is still closed at the Hook Heath Road end, and will remain so for a long time. Emmanuel can be reached only from the Mayford village end of the road.

Tuesday night is a busy night in the life of many young people in our church family and it has to be my highlight of the week. As soon as Dangerous Kid's Club closes up, the youth descend on the youth centre for the best part of a couple of hours, where we try to pack a lot in!

For the most part it is our community hub for them, where we try to have something for everyone. There are sofas, board games and Lego for those who just want to chill out and chat; table tennis, pool and darts for those looking for a bit more, and a sports hall for those who need to burn off a lot of energy. We make sure to give them a lot of free time so that they can make the most of it all, hang out, catch up and get to know each other better. We, as leaders try to use valuable time together to get alongside the young people so that we can care for them well and support them in their walk with Christ or journey to faith. We also run an altogether game/activity to draw everyone in together.

At the heart of the evening is our time in God's word. We strive to teach the Bible in a way that is faithful and engaging to young people today, whether they've been in church their whole lives or are just starting to explore. We also try to give plenty of space for discussion. This year, we have the joy of trying to cover the whole bible story in our series called 'The Greatest Story Ever Told'. Much of the bible can seem confusing to young people, so we are helping them piece together the picture and to see Jesus through every story in scripture.

This amazing group is reliant on a great team of volunteers who give up their Tuesday evenings to love, serve and teach the next generation. I am very thankful to God for each of them. However, we are feeling quite stretched at the moment as a team. A few of our team have had to step back and the group of young people is only growing in size. So, we're praying for the Lord to provide the right people to fill out our team so that we can continue to run this group each week.

If you might be interested in joining our team, I would love to chat with you about it. Please do try and catch me at church or drop me an email.

George

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