

# Weekly Service Times

## Sundays

Sunday 9:00am

10:30am

6:30pm

**Traditional Service** 

**Informal Worship** 

Open to God or

**Evening Prayer** 

## Weekdays

Monday 8:00am Morning Prayer
Tuesday 8:00am Morning Prayer
Wednesday 9:30am Communion
Thursday 8:00am Morning Prayer
Friday 8:00am Morning Prayer

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# A Welcome Note from the Vicar



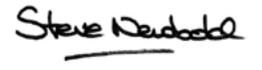
Welcome to St Stephens – we are delighted that you are here today.

We strive to ensure that we are a fresh and welcoming community where everyone is made welcome and everyone knows that they matter, both to us and to God.

St Stephen's is alive with vibrant worship, intimate prayer and growing friendships. We value both the traditional and contemporary and you will find that our different services reflect a variety of ways of worship. Our desire however is that whatever the style, as people meet together they encounter the presence of our living God.

As a Christian community we are committed to following and trying to live like Jesus. We look for ways to love and serve each other and our wider community and seek to provide for those who are often forgotten by society at large.

November marks a season of change. It begins as we take time to remember those who gave their lives in the wars of past generations culminating in our special services on Remembrance Sunday - 10th November. We will celebrate with several new Christians their baptism and confirmation when we are joined by our Bishop. As the month draws to a close we start to turn our thoughts towards Christmas with our annual Christmas Fair and the beginning of Advent. There's lots going on and full details are in this Bulletin - do join us.



# Notices Traidcraft Stall

We'll be selling a range of Christmas Cards, wrapping papers and small gifts as well as our usual kitchen staples on 3 Nov during Cafe times and again at the Christmas Fair, Saturday 30 Nov. Do come, browse and stock up.

## First Tuesday Prayers and Praise at 8pm

Come along to Pray and Praise with us on Tuesday **5 November** as we pray for the mission of our church and what God has to say to us.

#### **Deanery Synod**

The next meeting on Wednesday 6
November at 7:30pm at St Joseph the
Worker Church, Yeading Lane, Northolt
UB5 6JS. The topic will be 'Building
Community in a Post Brexit World',
speaker Alison Tsang. Everyone is
welcome to attend.

#### **Remembrance Sunday**

This year Remembrance Sunday falls on 10th November. The 9am service takes place as usual. Our main Act of Remembrance with 2 minutes silence will take place during the 10.30am service. There will also be a special Remembrance evening service at 6.30pm.

## St David's Home

Remembrance Hymns of Praise on **Sunday 10 November.** Starts at 3pm contact Sally Horattides 8840 6047 or Pete Devereux 8579 7884.



#### St Stephen's Book Club

Weds 13 Nov at 8pm. We will discuss The Secret Barrister. Meet at church for tea, coffee, wine, cake and discussion. All welcome. Just come along.

### Baptism and Confirmation Service

Our Bishop, Pete Broadbent, will be with us on **Sunday 17th November at 10.30am** for a special service when a number of people will be baptised and/or confirmed. Do join us if you possibly can.

Please pray for:

#### Those being baptised:

- Wei Cheng Zhang
- Geraldine Qizilbash
- Matthew Tate

Those renewing their baptism promises:

- Paula Bailey
- Dele Fasanya
- Youwen Yang
- Weihua Zhang

Those being confirmed:

- Paula Bailey
- George French
- Ivy French
- Ashraiya Sandhu
- Geraldine Qizilbash
- Wei Cheng Zhang
- Nancy Yang
- Alice Zhang

There will also be a short said 9am service of Holy Communion for those who are unable to be present at 10.30am but not a 6.30pm service.

#### **People and Planet Gathering**

Our November meeting is to be rescheduled to Sunday 1 December, when we plan a bring and share meal of festive food, and look back at our P&P year, and forward to next year. Come with thoughts on what went well, and what you'd like to hear about or do in 2020 - remembering our themes of looking at issues relating to Peace, Justice and Creation Care within the context of our Christian context. Speak to Sue Charlton on 8997 8236 or Enid Barron on 8997 1958.

#### Christmas Fair 30 November

Theme: Green Christmas.
All proceeds to Ealing
Food Bank.



Help us make this a memorable day for our friends and neighbours while having fun working with members of our congregation.

We have all the best ingredients - Father Christmas, Face Paints, Puppet Show and Craft Activities (all free). Lots of bargains to buy. Wonderful homemade cakes, puddings, preserves and soaps. Raffle and Tombola. Lunches and BBQ.

Could you put up a poster or give out fliers to friends and neighbours? Or donate books, gifts, jewellery, toys and bric-abrac - all in good order - for sale? Or help serve and sell, welcome or set up?

Come to the display in church to find out more. Our theme this year - working towards a greener way of living, with all profits going to Ealing Food Bank. Call Sue Charlton on 8997 8236 for queries or more information on any of this.

#### **Leadership Conference**

Many from the Leadership Team are going to the HTB Leadership Conference at the Albert Hall on May 4th and 5th 2020. Interested in joining us - let Steve Newbold know asap.

#### **Advent Procession**

Would you like to attend this annual event at St Paul's Cathedral on **Sat 30 November** at 6.00pm. Interested, let Steve Newbold know ASAP so that free tickets can be obtained.

#### Change

The Tearfund Big Quiz planned for **Saturday 16 November** has been postponed. A new date will be arranged.

#### **Advent Quiet Morning**

Saturday 7 December 10:00am -12:30pm. More details closer to the time.

#### **Save the Date**

Weds 4 Dec - Women's Breakfast Dinner in Pitshanger Lane Sun 15 Dec - Carol Services (4:30pm & 6:30pm)

Sun 22 Dec - Contemporary Carol Service (10:30am)

Tues 24 Dec - Carols, Christingles and Nativity (4:30pm)

Midnight Communion (11:00pm)
Weds 25 Dec - All Age Celebration
(10:30am)

#### **Flowers**

3 November - [available] 10 November - Sally Horattides 17 November - Adele Sullivan 24 - November - Jen Whadcoat



Our mid week Groups for worship, prayer, Bible Study and Fellowship. For further details for each group contact the group leaders as detailed below.

#### p&p small group

Meets fortnightly on Monday evenings. More info from Dinos Horattides (8840 6047) or Peter Charlton (8997 8236)

#### **Tuesday Group**

Alternate Tuesdays at 8pm at the Vicarage. For more info call Steve Newbold (8810 4929)

#### **Jigsaw**

Meeting alternate Tuesdays 7pm (for food), 7:30-9:30pm (meeting). Call Caroline or Ian Jamieson 8840 1971.

#### **Daytimers**

Meets every Wednesday at 11:00am in the Church Centre for cake, coffee, fellowship, Bible reflection and prayer.

#### Vine

Meets Wednesday's (not first of the month) at 8pm in different group member's houses. Contact Sam Sanya 020 3844 0387 or Barbara Luland.

#### Film Group

Film Group meeting is on Thurs 7 Sept. We will be watching Captain Marvel and will discuss it on Thurs 21 Sept. Rosemary Beardow (07733 441 431).

#### **Chinese Group**

Meets Fridays - contact Weihua Zhang or Youwen Yang for more information.



Do you have access to open space? Could you help wildlife prepare for winter? According to the RSPB - Leave a small wood or leaf pile for creatures to find shelter. Feed birds with calorie rich foods like peanuts and fat balls. Fill nest boxes with straw or dry leaves for birds to shelter in. Plant early spring bulbs to feed bees when they wake. Make sure fresh water is available. Don't dig till early spring as many insects live in soil. Leave seed heads on spent summer plants - they can be enjoyed as food for some birds and resting places for insects.

## SHINING STARS

#### **Shining Stars**

A group for pre-school children (0-4yrs) and their parents or carers. Tuesday's during term time 10am-11:30am

shiningstars@ststephens-ealing.org

## Tea Timers drop in cafe



Runs most Fridays 2.30-4.00pm at church. Contact Jane Maffett

Events@ststephens-ealing.

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1 Nov - Light Miscellany

8 Nov - Wira's Polish Resistance story - hear about what one of our members did in WW2

15 Nov - Cafe / shopping outing to Osterley garden centre - sign up!

22 Nov - Thinking ahead

29 Nov - Chat (with optional crafting for Christmas Fair)

# People's Stories

**Jo Leeds** has recently joined the staff as our new Worship Pastor. Here she introduces herself...



I was born into a clergy family in Shepherds Bush, London. As a family we belonged to St Simon's church for 13 years, before moving to St Katherine's church in East Acton. I am married to a wonderful man called David and we currently live in Northolt.

From a young age I became very active in church life, but I made a conscious commitment to follow Jesus at twenty years old. I began to sense God's call to worship and to encourage others in bringing him praise, and this passion has grown as I have walked with him and worshipped him in the highs and the lows.

I have experienced a number of health problems throughout my life and I believe that God has used the physical limitations of ill health to draw me close to him. During my teens I struggled with accepting my circumstances as yet another operation was scheduled or an injury took hold, yet I have come to discover that it is when I am physically limited that God does his greatest work in me! I believe that choosing to worship God for who he is amidst difficulty is the key to breakthrough in every area of our lives. He is weaving a beautiful masterpiece of restoration in all of us and his invitation to join in with what he is doing is both humbling and exciting.

I am passionate about worship that draws people into deep communion with God, allowing them to encounter his glory and experience the freedom and healing he brings to our lives.

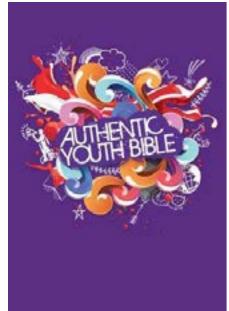
I love reading what the Bible has to say about worship and growing in my knowledge and understanding of what it means to be worshippers of God. I believe corporate sung worship is absolutely central for equipping us to live our whole lives to the glory of God and for releasing us to minister in our daily contexts.

Alongside my role at St Stephen's I am a nutritionist and run a health and wellbeing business. This ministry has been a significant channel for exploring with others what it means to live lives of worship to God; that as we seek to submit our whole lives to Christ, this involves all aspects of our being, which includes physical and mental health. God has graciously worked in the lives of my clients to break down barriers to faith, draw people to him, and reveal his grace and mercy over their lives.

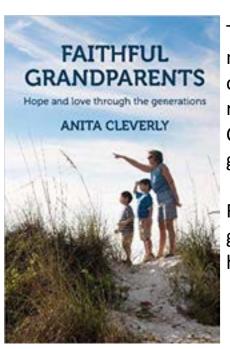
I love being on this journey of learning what it means to be a worshipper of Jesus and I am looking forward to continuing in this alongside my new church family.

## **Bookstall**

Highlighted books for this month address two distinct age groups: young people and the issues they face: and a wise book for grandparents, which may be useful for parents too.



The Authentic Youth Bible is a popular choice for school leavers and youth groups as well as for personal use. The fully anglicised text uses the accurate and accessible ERV translation. Features include 164 pages of additional Bible study material, 24 colour topic based inserts covering subjects such as relationships, peer pressure and trusting God and 275 'Insights' which help explain the meaning and context of key passages. The ERV Translation is specifically designed to be read and understood easily and this Youth Bible is suitable to be used across all denominations.



There has never been a more important time to find meaningful and acceptable ways of passing on faith from one generation to the next. Part of this privilege and responsibility lies with grandparents who live authentic Christian lives. They can be the vital link between the gospel and the faith of a younger generation.

Faithful Grandparents is a visionary call to an older generation to take the initiative with courage and wisdom, humour and prayer.

Please visit the Bookstall. As well as books to sell we have a selection of books you can borrow.

# Monthly Diary



November		
Sunday 3	11:45am 6:30pm	Cafe Extra Open to God
Tuesday 5	8:00pm	First Tuesday Prayers and Praise
Thursday 7, 14, 21, 28	7:45pm	Alpha
Saturday 9	9:00am - 4:00pm	Alpha Holy Spirit Day
Sunday 10	3:00pm 6:30pm	Hymns of Praise at St David's Remembrance Service
Wednesday 13	8:00pm	Book Club
Sunday 17	10:30am	Baptism & Confirmation Service
Wednesday 20	4:00pm	Communion at St David's
Saturday 30	10:00am - 2:00pm	Christmas Fair

December		
	11:45am	Cafe Extra
Sunday 1	12:30pm	People & Planet Gathering
	6:30pm	Open to God
Monday 2	7:45pm	Church Council Meeting
Tuesday 3	8:00pm	First Tuesday Prayers and Praise
Saturday 7	9:00am	Advent Quiet Morning

# **Prayer Requests**

#### Give thanks for:

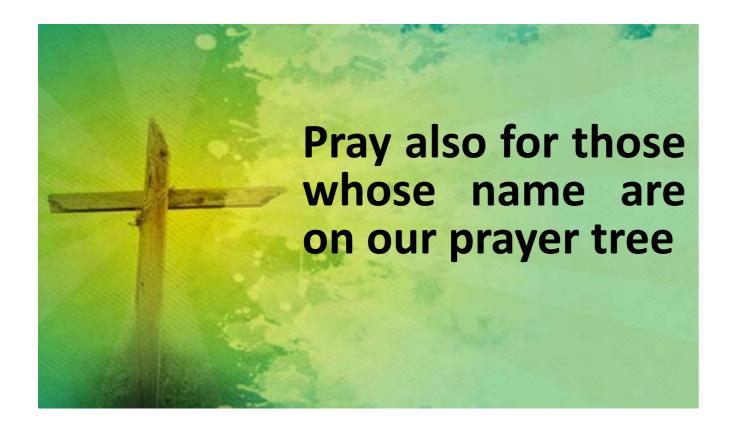
- Jo Leeds our new Worship Pastor and Katy Shier our Intern
- The Light Party at the end of October
- Those completing the Alpha course and their continuing journey with Christ
- Those remembered at our Annual Memorial Service

#### **During this month please pray especially for:**

- The financial pledges being made to the Church for the coming year, that they
  would enable us to balance our budget for 2020
- Our Christmas Fair in aid of Ealing Foodbank
- Those being Baptised and/or Confirmed by Bishop Pete this month
- Preparations being made for our Christmas services

#### Those who are sick and in special need:

Simon Beards, Gordon Couch, Pat Devereux, Alan and Jane Hanley, George Hore, Caroline Jamieson, Maisie Poulton, Ken Taylor and Ann, Fiona, Lorraine and Denise.



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