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Worshipping Jesus  
Growing Together  
Reaching Others

MAR 2020

# Weekly Service Times

## Sundays

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Traditional Service</b>
	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Informal Worship</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Open to God or Evening Prayer</b>

## Weekdays

<b>Monday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Communion</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>

For more information on items mentioned in  
this bulletin please go to our website  
[www.ststephens-ealing.org](http://www.ststephens-ealing.org)



# A Welcome Note from the Vicar



Welcome to St Stephens – we are delighted that you are here today. St Stephen's has existed as a church for many years and in different locations. We may have been around for a long time but 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.

You will find St Stephen's 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.

Lent is a time for us all to reflect on our walk with God and to seek to grow closer to him. I hope we will all use this time and the opportunities available perhaps to participate with something new. In this Bulletin you will see details of some of the key events and we hope you will join in.

We hope you will find a spiritual home at St Stephen's and find your place in this community as we seek together to discover more of God's love for his people.

*Steve Neubold*

# Notices

## Lent 2020

On Sunday mornings in Lent we are looking at some Life Changing Habits to help us all grow in our walk with Jesus. This is a very practical series with ideas of things to try.

1 March	Why have Lent
8 March	Prayer
15 March	Fasting
22 March	Hospitality
29 March	Bible Reading
5 April	Looking to Holy Week

## Traidcraft Stall

On 1 March and 5 April with our range of goods. Each Sunday in March we'll be selling Real Easter Eggs for the guests at the Marylebone Project as well as a range of other beautiful Fairtrade Easter Eggs that you can order for gifts.

## St David's Home

Lent Hymns of Praise on **Sun 1 March**. Starts at 3pm contact Sally Horattides 8840 6047 or Pete Devereux 8579 7884.

## First Tuesday Prayers and Praise at 8.00pm

Come along to Pray and Praise with us on Tuesday **3 March** as we pray for the mission of our church and what God has to say to us.

## Women's Breakfast

**Saturday 7th March 10.00am-12 noon**

As we spring clean our homes it is also time to Declutter our Spiritual Lives. Our speaker Vicky Ikwuemesi, is an experienced, London based speaker. Please invite your friends to come along.

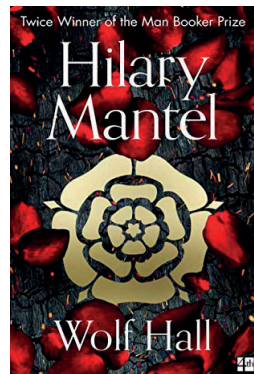
Caroline Jamieson on 020 8840 1971 or [carolinejamieson@ststephens.org](mailto:carolinejamieson@ststephens.org)

## Book Launch

**8 March 2020 at 4:00pm**

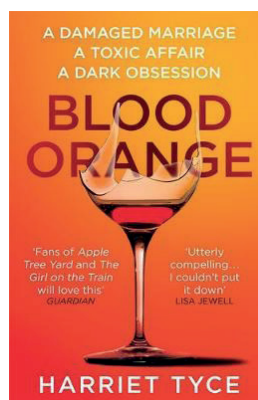
Former St Stephen's curate, Reverend Steve Morris will be launching his new book "Our Precious Lives" here at St Stephen's. Join him as he gives us an insight into his book. Copies of the book will be on sale on the day for £7.99 and is available on pre-order on Amazon Prime.

## Book Club



We will discuss Wolf Hall by Hilary Mantel on **Weds 11 March at 8pm**. On **Weds 8 April** we will discuss Blood Orange by Harriet Tyce. The Book Club meets on the second Wednesday of each month (apart from August) and is open to everyone. We usually have light refreshments and cake. Information from Morgen Edwards in the church office

[admin@ststephens-ealing.org](mailto:admin@ststephens-ealing.org)



## Family Evening with Steve Legge

**Saturday 14 March at 6.30pm**

A crazy mix of comedy, trickery and mystery for all the family. Book tickets via the church website.

## Mothering Sunday

**Sunday 22 March**

We will be fund raising with a cake sale at cafe time for Hospices of Hope, the charity we chose to raise for this year. All purchased or home-baked efforts by children and parents would be greatly received. Please support us by buying cakes and baked goodies.

## St Stephen's Songs of Praise

On Sunday **29 March** at 3.30pm. The Pastoral Care Team are hosting a Songs of Praise service. Come and hear hymns chosen by the congregation and their 'reflection' why they were chosen, tea and cakes, all welcome, contact Pete Devereux 07759 877 140.

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## Stewards

If you have stewarded before for the Good Friday 'Walk of Witnesses'. Please confirm your availability for this Year's walk (on Friday **10 April** meeting at Church at 9:30am) with Pete Devereux .

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## Special Teatimers session

**Fri 20 March 2.30pm-4.00pm**

A visiting troop bring us an electrifying show, singing and dancing through the smash hits of the 50s and 60s. If you have never tried one of these sessions before do come!

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## People & Planet Gathering

Our March meeting will take place on **Saturday 28 March** from 7pm when we celebrate Earth Hour. All are welcome to join us in praise for God's Creation, and pledge to do what we can to reduce our individual carbon foot prints as the lights are turned off from 8.30 - 9.30. More information on the Eco Church Board and in Updates.

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## Quiet Morning

**Sat 28 March**

The theme will be Wholelife Worship with meditations available to focus on different aspects of life. Drop in anytime between 10am – 12.30 pm. Tea and coffee available.

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## Important news

We have had to change the date of our Community Fete in Cleveland Park. It is now **Sunday 20th September** . This is due to Party in the Park moving theirs to our original July date (sorry for anyone who had made any July plans round this).

Contact Jane Maffett

jane@ststephens-ealing.org if you have any questions or to offer your help at the planning stage.

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## Lent Appeal

This Lent we are joining the Bishop of London's Appeal 'Wheels for Climate Emergencies'. Money raised will be distributed equally between 4 Dioceses to replace old, broken down trucks with new ones - taking pastoral support and essential supplies to remote areas of Angola and Mozambique. They are hard hit by climate change causing more severe droughts and frequent flooding, in areas not yet recovered from last year's Cyclones, Idai and Kenneth.

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## Church Electoral Roll

The Church Electoral Roll is being revised for the Annual Church Meeting. Only those on the Electoral Roll can vote at the Annual Meeting. If you are not on the Roll please consider joining (you need to be over 16, baptised and either live in the parish or have worshipped here for at least 6 months). Application forms are available in the church entrance area. Must be returned to the church office by Sunday 29 March. Applications received after this date will not be accepted.



# connect groups

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 alternate 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 5 March where we will watch Beautiful Boy. Discussion will be on Thurs 19 Feb. Rosemary Beardow (07733 441 431).

## **Chinese Group**

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

# ECO CHURCH



Recent campaigning successes for change have demonstrated the power of combined voices. Kelloggs have bowed to public pressure in producing a comprehensive Global Palm Oil policy, working with small holders, investing in restoration of forests and wildlife. Can we do the same to help growers in Liberia? Some UK companies are grabbing land to grow palm oil without honouring promises of jobs, healthcare and education? Join the Traidcraft campaign calling on our government to change the law. See postcards and leaflets in the centre.



## **Shining Stars**

Runs on Tuesdays during term time from 10am - 11:30am.

[shiningstars@ststephens-ealing.org](mailto:shiningstars@ststephens-ealing.org)



## **Tea Timers drop in cafe**

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

[Events@ststephens-ealing.org](mailto:Events@ststephens-ealing.org)

6 March - Living well, with our own Dr Kate Senger  
13 March - Doodles  
20 March - Let's have a party! - visiting troop  
27 March - Springtime

# People's Stories

## Dinos Horattides



I was born in Cyprus into a Christian family and was baptised in the Greek Orthodox Church. As a child I accompanied my parents to church, my father serving as a cantor and eventually as a priest.

I came to London in 1966 aged 17 as a student. Although I lived a stone's throw from the Orthodox Cathedral in Moscow Road in Bayswater, I had a few years away from church.

My faith was rekindled when I was introduced to a group of young Methodists who lived in community in North Kensington. Living in a Christian community in that place and worshipping in the Methodist church informed my faith and formed my politics. My wife Sally and I met and were married there and we moved to Ealing in 1985.

Sally consumer tested the local churches and St Stephen's seemed to meet most of our stringent criteria and we have been worshipping here ever since.

Steve's arrival at St. Stephen's was difficult for me, however. Others seemed to be able to adapt to the new styles of worship much more easily than me and for a few months I went into exile, joining more traditional neighbouring congregations.

I can only attribute what happened next to the intervention of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit filled this place, with grace and people to overflowing. Steve and the leadership team decided to deal with this bounty by introducing a second and more traditional service at 9 o'clock. This was a unique and personal gift from God, it enabled me to end my exile and return to my spiritual home.

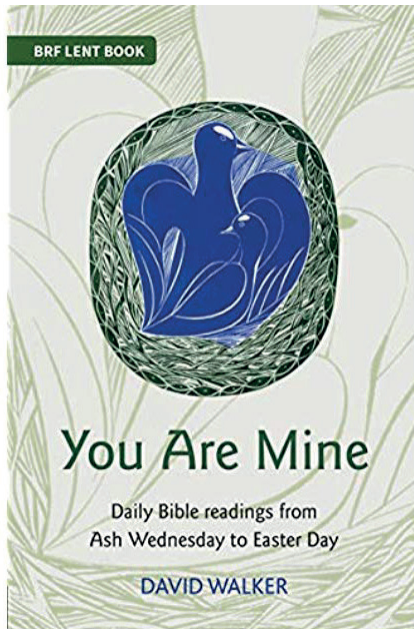
I was received in to the Anglican communion in 2014. There was a price to pay for this. Steve felt, for some reason, that I had things to offer to this community. I am now on the rota of readers and communion assistants and I am licenced to conduct extended communion. When Steve first suggested to me that I might join the preaching rota it was a few months after my father died. It felt like a call to continue his ministry. I know he approves and he is judging my efforts kindly.

God has blessed me with parents who lived out their lives as faithful servants of God. God has blessed me with my wife, many friends and church communities that have nurtured, challenged and strengthened my faith. I am grateful to this community for trusting me to serve them. I continue to grow in my faith in this place.

# Bookstall

**We have a selection of books to help us with our journey through Lent, including daily readings. Here is one of them.**

**Do come and have a look!**



'Again and again, as I have sought to look into both the scriptures and my own life, I have heard in the silence the one who assures me, ever more strongly, 'You are mine'. My hope and prayer is that you who read it will hear something of the same.'

At this time of Lent, David Walker explores different aspects of human belonging through the medium of scripture and story in order to help us recognise the different ways in which we are God's beloved. And as we recognise ourselves and our own lives in the narrative of God's engagement with humanity and his creation, he gently challenges us to engage for God's sake with God's world.

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

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## Second Hand Christian Book Sale

Thanks to everyone who donated books, and came and bought them over the two weeks they were on display. We raised a creditable £70 and some excellent books found new homes. Together with a couple of generous donations we now have enough money to buy 100 new Bibles for the church, so that we can replace some of the older, shabby copies. It will also enable us all to read from the same edition with the same page numbers!

The books that were left over have been donated to Book Aid, a charity that sends books to Bible colleges and Christian ministries in developing countries. Some may also be sold in Book Aid bookshops in the United Kingdom with the money raised being used to pay the charity's shipping and administration costs.



# Monthly Diary



March		
Sunday 1	11:45am 12:30pm 3:00pm 6:30pm	Cafe Extra Bring & Share Lunch (See notices) Hymns of Praise at St David's Open to God
Tuesday 3	8:00pm	First Tuesday Prayers and Praise
Saturday 7	9:00am	Women's Breakfast
Sunday 8	4:00pm	Steve Morris Book Launch
Saturday 14	6:30pm	Steve Legg Comedy and Magic
Wednesday 18	4:00pm	Communion at St David's
Sunday 22 Mothering Sunday	11:45am	Cafe Extra and Cake Sale
Monday 23	7:45pm	Church Council Meeting
Saturday 28	7:00pm	People and Planet Gathering: Earth Hour
Sunday 29	3:30pm	St Stephen's Songs of Praise



**Palm Sunday - 5th April**  
9:00am Traditional Service  
10:30am All Age Worship starting in the Church Forecourt  
6:30pm Open to God - informal celebration

**Mon 6th, Tues 7th and Wed 8th April**  
8:00pm - 9:00pm Prayers for Holy Week  
(taking a different form each eveing)

**Maundy Thursday 9th April**  
7:30pm Informal Meal and  
Holy Communion

**Good Friday 10th April**  
9:50am - 11:30am Ecumenical Walk of  
Witness to Ealing Broadway  
2:00pm - 3:00pm An hour at the cross

**Easter Day 12th April**  
5:30am Sunrise Communion  
followed by breakfast  
10:30am Easter Celebration and Communion



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# Prayer Requests

## **Give thanks for:**

- Ealing Churches Winter Night Shelter (ECWNS) and Ealing Soup Kitchen providing safe spaces and hospitality during the winter months especially at St Stephen's
- Those who attended our Children's New Year Party.

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

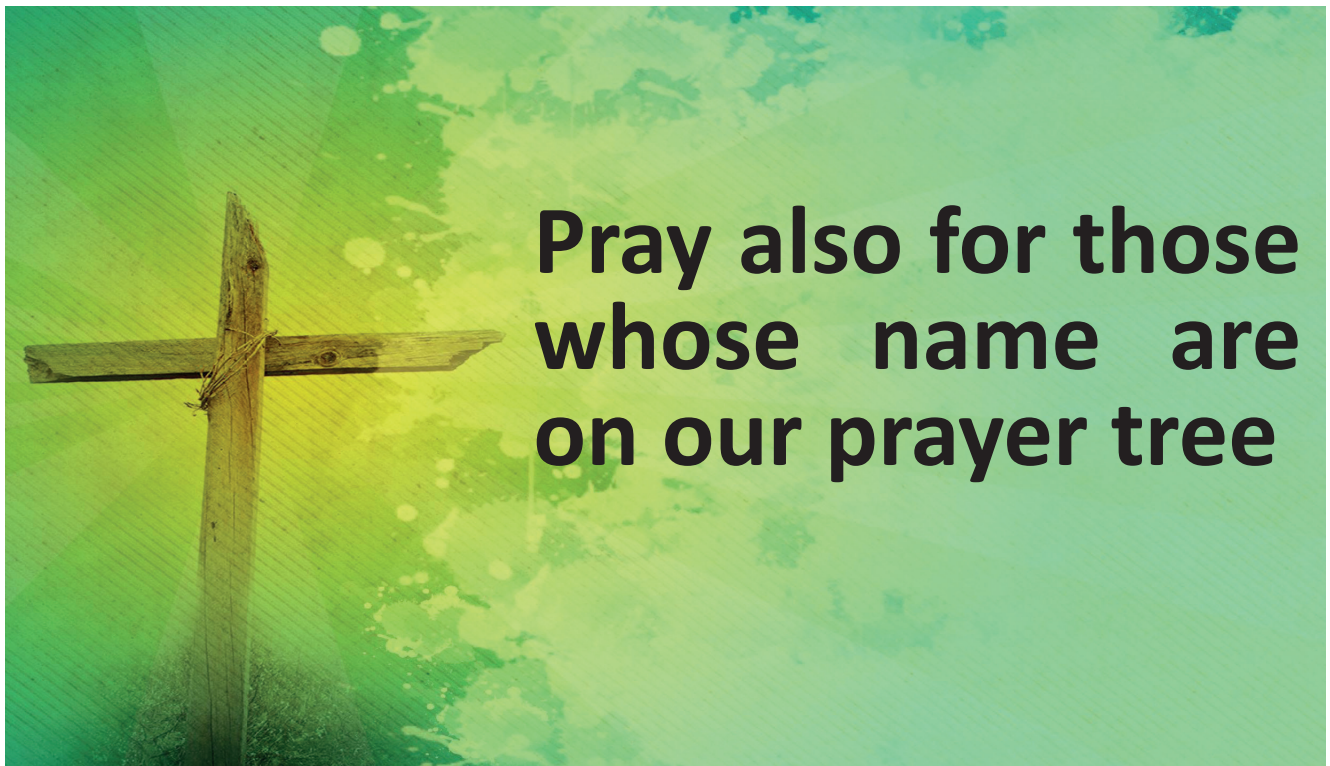
- New and continuing Connect Groups
- Our journey through Lent towards Easter
- Steve Legg as he leads an evening of comedy and magic on the 14 March

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

Simon Beards, Gordon Couch, George Dunkley, Alan and Jane Hanley, George Hore, John Jackson, Maisie Poulton, Ken Taylor and Ann, Fiona, Lorraine, Daisy, Denise and Nell, Jo, Ken and their family.

## **Those who are bereaved:**

The Devereux family as they mourn the death of Pete's mother Pat.



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# Worship & Prayer Discipleship Outreach Children & Youth

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