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# stephen's ealing

Worshipping Jesus Growing Together Reaching Others

**NOV 2018** 

# Weekly Service Times

# Sundays

**Sunday** 9:00am Traditional Service

10:30am Informal Worship

6:30pm Open to God or

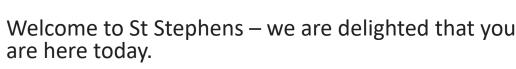
**Evening Prayer** 

## 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

For more information on items menitoned in this bulletin please go to our website www.ststephens-ealing.org

# A Welcome Note from the Vicar





St Stephen's has existed as a Christian community for over 150 years. 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.

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 Neudocka

Steve Newbold



The stall will be open on **Sunday 4th November**. We'll have a selection of
Advent Calendars, Christmas cards etc. as
well as the usual food stock.

#### First Tuesday Prayers at 8pm

Our Nov prayer meeting will be on **Tuesday 6th**. Join us for just one hour to pray for this church and its mission.

#### St David's Home

Singers required for Remembrance Hymns of Praise, especially remembering the 100 year anniversary of WWI, on **Sunday 11th October.** Starts at 3pm contact Sally Horattides 8840 6047 or Pete Devereux 8579 7884.

#### St Stephen's Book Club

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 14th November at 8pm in Church. We will be discussing This is going to Hurt by Adam Kay - a diary of a Junior Doctor in the NHS. Info from Morgen Edwards in the Church office <a href="mailto:admin@ststephensealing.org">admin@ststephensealing.org</a> or 8991 0164.

#### **Tearfund Quiz Night**

Saturday eve 17 Nov

Tickets are now available for £10 (incl nibbles and cake) from Jon Yarrall, Barbara Luland or Jane Maffett (events@ ststephens-ealing.org). There will be a cash bar on the night or bring your own.

#### **World Toilet Day**

While we look forward to our newly refurbished loos at church, 1 Billion women and girls worldwide have no access to a safe proper toilet. Join the Toilet Twinning event on **Monday 19th Nov** on the steps of St. Paul's Cathedral from 1 pm - 2 pm. See Mission Team Board for more info.

#### Church Bazaar Sat 24th November

We need YOU to help make this a great day for all ages. Let's make CREATION matter in our children's activities, photography competition, puppet show, stalls filled with homemade goods, books, jewellery, toys and household items looking to be re-homed. Posters and fliers are available to tell friends and neighbours. See the display in church with lots of info on how you can help with time, talents and goods. Money raised for Christians Against Poverty.

# Quinquennial Relicensing of Licensed Lay Ministers

Tuesday 27th November at 7pm at St Paul's Cathedral. All are invited to attend this celebration where Enid will be relicensed.

#### **People & Planet Gathering**

Has moved to 2nd December when Andrew Dixon and Brian and Sally Lamond will be telling us about their recent trip to St Francis Hospital, Katete, Zambia.

#### **Advent Procession**

Would you like to attend this annual event at St Pauls' Cathedral on **Sat 1 Dec at 6.00pm**. Interested, let Steve Newbold know ASAP so that free tickets can be obtained.

# Quiet Morning December 1st 10.00 -12.30

Reflection for Advent Further detail will be in weekly updates nearer the time. Contact Rosemary Beardow: 07733 441 431 or Enid Barron: 020 8997 1958

#### Women's Breakfast

Returning on **Saturday 26th Jan** with our speaker Rose Hudson-Wilkin - Chaplain to the Speaker of the House of Commons.

## Remembrance Sunday 11th November at 6:30pm

In February a photo of a war memorial was posted on the Ealing History Facebook group. The photograph was discovered in a collection at the Imperial War Museum but for location it only said Ealing and not which church.

Various suggestions were made but I decided to look up a couple of the names on the Commonwealth War Graves Commission website and discovered that their home addresses were in our parish. I showed the photo to some older members and they confirmed it was St Stephen's.

This substantial war memorial with 8 panels and containing...names was lost when the church was decommissioned in the 1970s. Whether it was damaged beyond repair by the subsidence which affected the building or by contractors working on the church conversion, whether it was stolen or is even still there hidden behind a wall, no one knows.

Two photos are our only record but it is not possible to read all the names. Fortunately a list had been made and is available to view in the Metropolitan Archives. Carmela Amodio-Johnson kindly visited and photographed the relevant document.

Since the photo came to light, Morgen Edwards, Simon Beards and I have been busy finding out what we can about the names on the memorial and I will be featuring some of their stories on the 11th November, both in the morning service and also at 6.30, where as part of a special service we will read all the names aloud.

It has been fascinating to bring some of these soldiers, sailors and airmen to life in this way; they range in rank from Private to Brigadier General, and in age from 18 to 52. Most died in France or Belgium but some in Gallipoli or in the waters of the North Sea. There are three sets of brothers. It is wonderful to be able to honour these forgotten men on this very special anniversary, do join us on November 11th.



## Flowers in Church for November

4th - Liz Paice 14th - Sally Horattides 21st - Andrew & Jen Whadcoat 28th - Doris Beavis

#### 100 years on

Display of art (original photography/ painting/poetry) for our special Remembrance day services **11 Nov** contributions invited from children of all ages, and adults - take a flyer, info from Caroline Jamieson or Jane Maffett



Our mid week Groups for worship, prayer, Bible Study and Fellowship resume this month. Further details from group leaders below.

#### p&p small group

Fortnightly on Mondays. Currently studying 'Tenants of the King'. More info from Dinos Horattides (8840 6047) or Peter Charlton (8997 8236)

#### **Tuesday Group**

This takes place 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.

#### Rooted

Meetings take place on Tuesday evenings. For more information please call Tina and Jon Yarrall 07403 756 539

#### **Daytimers**

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

#### Film Group

Meet to watch The Shape of Water together on Thurs 1st Nov and to discuss on Thurs 15th. Christmas Social on Weds 12th Dec. Rosemary Beardow (07733 441 431).

#### **Chinese Group**

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



Cut Food Miles when you can. Buy local or UK grown produce to reduce air miles.

Go for seasonal fruit and vegetables, which will be fresher, tastier and haven't travelled so far.



Lookforthe Red Tractor logo, which indicates British farm produce grown, processed and packaged in UK.



#### **Shining Stars**

A group for pre-school children and their parents or carers. 10am-11:30am For more info please email

shiningstars@ststephens-ealing.org



#### Tea Timers drop in cafe

Runs most Fridays 2.30-4.00pm at church. Contact Jane - events@ststephensealing.org

in the middle of our tea cake and chat we usually have something extra: Nov 2nd - MacMillan Tea Party Nov 9th - Remembrance 100 years on Nov 16th - World Kindness day Nov 23rd - Decorating for the Bazaar

# People's Stories Linda Rivans



I grew up in a vaguely but non-practising Christian family. I wasn't baptised.

When I was young, my only experience of Christianity, other than playing the Angel in the Nursery Nativity play, was largely at school or at major events in the Christian calendar such as Easter and Christmas when I would sometimes visit a local Church. Some years ago, I began to intermittently visit St James in West Ealing where a number of my friends, who were Christians, were members.

One Christmas Eve about five years ago, I visited St Stephens when Andrew Dand was the new Curate and told us about his journey, which must have struck a chord. As a number of my friends had moved to St Stephens, I would sometimes join them. Then one evening a couple of years ago, following a last minute invitation from Caroline Jamieson to join her, I decided to try an Alpha course. I thought "Why not". A further course followed the next year.

I was now attending St Stephens more regularly but following hearing phrases such as "keeping the coal in the fire" and Bishop Pete's assertion at a Confirmation Service that weekly attendance meant being part of the Church family, I began attending every Sunday.

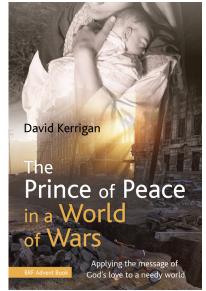
I took up the Bible in a Year challenge in St Stephen's 150th year and attended a support group, where we discussed what we'd read. I also joined a Connect group and attended Quiet Mornings at the Church.

As part of the St Stephen's community, I help with the Coffee Rota and Counting Duty. Last November, as part of the Church pilgrimage, I was fortunate enough to be able to go to Israel which was a wonderful experience. Being in the Holy Land and seeing sites where Jesus would have been present helped in visualising passages in the Bible.

All this time I have been trying to grow my faith but came to the conclusion earlier this year that I could go no further unless I committed to being fully baptised into the Christian faith. It seemed to me that not to be baptised would be a barrier and a denial of what I had so far come to believe. So on Sunday 23 September, I was duly dunked! I pray and hope this act will take me further on my continuing journey of increasing my faith and growing nearer to God.

# Bookstall

This month we are highlighting a new book by a former vicar of St Stephen's, David Runcorn. The other book, Unapologetic, is older, but is still highly praised. It is both very accessible and challenging.



#### The Prince of Peace in a world of Wars by David Kerrigan

The author shows that God's purpose in Jesus Christ is to bring peace – universal peace, both with God and with our neighbours. But have we really understood what this peace might look like especially in a world of wars and suffering?

Through daily reflections on Bible readings and mission stories, he puts God at the centre of our mission and encourages us to restore the peace, joy and hope that come from accompanying Jesus.



#### **New Daylight**

BRF offers daily Bible reading and reflection for everybody who wants to go deeper with God. It is ideal for those looking for a fresh approach to regular Bible study. There is a Bible passage, a helpful comment and a prayer or thought for the day ahead. New Daylight provides very helpful notes for most people, but there are others which focus on specific reflections for women, older people, leaders etc. Something for everyone!

BRF (Bible Reading Fellowship) are not the only providers of these apps. Some will be doing special daily readings for Advent.

If you prefer the booklets, the Bookstall can get them for you.

# Monthly Diary



November		
Thursday 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd	7:45pm	Alpha
Saturday 3rd	9:00am	Alpha - Holy Spirit Day
Sunday 4th & 18th	6:30pm	Open to God
Tuesday 6th	8:00pm	First Tuesday Prayers
Sunday 11th	3:00pm	Hymns of Praise at St David's
Wednesday 14th	8:00pm	Book Club
Sunday 25th	12:30pm	People & Planet
Monday 26th	7:45pm	Church Council Meeting

December		
Saturday 1st	10:00am	Quiet Morning
Sunday 2nd	6:30pm	Open to God
Sunday 9th	3:00pm	Hymns of Praise at St David's
Sunday 16th	4:30 & 6:30pm	Carol Services

# Prayer Requests

#### Give thanks for:

- The Light Party at the end of October
- Those completing the Alpha course and their continuing journey with Christ
- The financial pledges made to the Church for the coming year
- Those remembered at our Annual Memorial Service

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

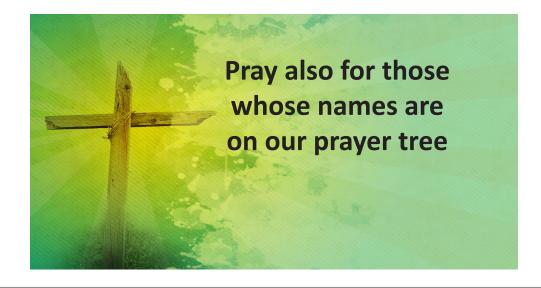
- Our Church Bazaar in aid of Christians Against Poverty
- The Grove Missional Community
- Preparations being made for our Christmas services
- The centenary memorial of the end of WWI

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

Audrey Ajose, Gordon Couch, Pauline Craven, Alan and Jane Hanley, George Hore, John Jackson, Jane Morris, Maisie Poulton, Ken Taylor, Pam.

#### Those who have been bereaved:

Caroline & Steve Newbold and Robert & Gillian Coomber mourning the death of Caroline and Robert's father Peter Coomber.



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# Worship & Prayer Discipleship Outreach Children & Youth

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