

**MORNING PRAYER:
O LORD OPEN OUR LIPS...**

*...and our mouth shall proclaim your praise
(Psalm 51:15).*

So opens the service of Morning Prayer. Over the next few months we will be exploring on these back pages what Morning Prayer is and how it enhances our worship here at St Peter's.

Why Morning Prayer? When I started exploring ordination I was asked about my pattern of prayer. I said "As and when", meaning regular short prayers throughout the day. The Director of Ordinands sent me away and would not speak to me again until I had said Morning Prayer every day for six weeks. It was not my practice or obviously the practice of the church that I attended. I was dubious to begin with and thought that it was just the church being "churchy" for the sake of it, and I approached it as a hoop to go through so that I could continue the process. In fact what I found was a rhythm of scripture reading and prayer that I started to look forward to. As time went on I would find that days without it just seemed to not be quite as good as days with it. I would miss it. Then, I did Morning Prayer on my own. Now at St Peter's it is a group discussion and prayer time—praying for the world, St Peter's and the community. As God opens our lips in praise those who attend are blessed and we seek to bless Woodmansterne in the most Anglican Parish way possible—*praying for all—members or not!*

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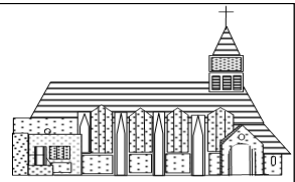
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*God is Spirit, and
his worshippers
must worship in
spirit and in
truth"
(John 4:24)*

ST PETER'S NEWS



CELEBRATE, DISCOVER, SHARE life with God through Jesus Christ 25th June 2017

WELCOME TO ST PETER'S

St Peter's is the Anglican Parish Church for Woodmansterne. We are a worshipping community seeking the presence of God and an evangelical church seeking to share the good news of the Kingdom of God with those who do not yet know Jesus.

THIS SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion
Jeremiah 20:7-13, John 11:45-57

10.30am Morning Worship
Jeremiah 20:7-13, John 11:45-57

Theme : plot to kill Jesus

6.30pm evensong
Deuteronomy 11:1-15,
Hebrews 13:9-25

Theme: sacrifice of praise

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THIS WEEK AT ST PETER'S

Monday 26th 9.15am Morning Prayer (MP)

Tuesday 27th 9.15 am MP (pray for schools
Mission Committee 8.00pm

Wednesday 28th 9.15am MP

Thursday 29th Bus stop Café
monthly Lunch 12.00pm at Woolpack,
Banstead

Friday 30th Film Club:
this month 'Houseboat'

Saturday 1st - Strawberry Tea in
Rectory Gardens

Sunday 2nd

8.00am Holy Communion
Jeremiah 28:5-9, John 12:1-11

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Theme : Jesus anointed

6.30pm evening Worship
Ephesians 1:1-14

Theme : Blessings in Christ

NEWS

DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

Open Evening
Wednesday July 19th. 8pm.

Red House, Court Hill

If you are not part of a discipleship group come and find out more about discipleship groups and what they can offer you.

Susan Knight (359873)

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The June Congregational Meeting will be after the 10.30am service on Sunday. Plans for the **garden area and new storage** at the back of the Church Hall will be available to view and comments and suggestions welcome.

Comments on how the **south side rooms** could be refurbished and utilised are also welcome.

Any others comments, suggestions and observations as always also welcome.

STRAWBERRY TEA

All are welcome to the Strawberry Tea celebration in the Rectory garden on **1st July 2pm-5pm**. We will be joined by some of our brothers and sisters from Woodmansterne Baptist Church and Whitethorn Methodist Church.

If anyone is free to help during this week to put the finishing touches to the garden please let the Rector know.

HELPING THE HOMELESS

Could you spare some time to volunteer at our drop-in? We appreciate all and any help you can offer. We're here **Monday- Thursday, 11-3**, in the kitchen at **Christ**

Central, Redhill. Access is via the glass doors to the side of West Central Café, or the white door in the yard behind the building. You can send us an email at info@rhates.org if you'd like to find out more about volunteering your time!



Word at St Peters

2017 Sermon series: A YEAR WITH JESUS

From Advent 2016 to Advent 2017 we will be working our way through the **John's Gospel** in the morning services.

Evening services will explore the **letters**: Hebrews, 1 John and Ephesians.

Throughout this year we aim to get to know Jesus more intimately as we seek to deepen our relationship with Him.

Plans for 2018:

A Series on **The Law and the Prophets**. Jesus said that the summary of the law—love God and your neighbour were “all the law and the prophets”. He also said that he had come to fulfil the law not abolish it.

Spending a year looking through the Old Testament we will try to answer the question “what is the Law Jesus came to fulfil?”

Lighthouse Sunday Club:

God is Powerful,
God is Good,
God is Peace.



PRAYER

Street prayer -

This week we pray for the people of:

Hollymead Road

COLLECT FOR THIS WEEK

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. AMEN

PRAYERS FOR 2017

In 2017 please pray for **revival** and **obedience**. Pray for **gifts** to be released and **confidence** built.

WHAT'S ON AT ST PETER'S

6th July Diamond Club outing

8th July Messy Church at Whitethorn Methodist church 3-5pm

12th July Pre-school graduation at St Peter's

14th July Tot's Praise 10.30am

21st July Film Club - 'Suffragette'

27th July - Monthly lunch

1 October Harvest

ALPHA COURSE:

HOLY SPIRIT (AMENDED DATES)

If you missed the **away day** then you are welcome to join us on evenings (7.30-9.30pm) on **13th July and 20th July**. Please let Hazel Foord know if you wish to attend.

COURSES

If there are other courses on aspects of discipleship that you think it would be helpful to put on, please let the Rector know.

