

## DISCIPLESHIP: PRAYER

David Watson, recognising a natural difficulty with prayer for most people and that there are “no experts”, suggests many characteristics of effective prayer; humility, honesty, compassion, expectancy, persistency and forgiveness—for others and for ourselves. However, the most relevant to St Peter’s at this time is **unity**.

*“Jonathan Edwards used to say that **every significant spiritual awakening in the church has always been preceded by a concert of unusual, united and persistent prayer.** Every lessening of prayer has led sooner or later to a depressing sterility...it is partly for this reason that united prayer is strongly encouraged in the New Testament...*

*Jesus promised that he would be present in special power whenever two or three of his disciples met for prayer”. Note: that does not mean if 2 or 3 meet that others cannot join. **This is a minimum not a quota!** “We are to ‘set our minds on things above’, encouraging one another that the Lord is with us.*

***We need to raise the level of corporate faith and expectancy.** Short bursts of praise and prayer from as many as possible are far better than the long prayers of the “professionals”..Encourage sensitivity both to the Spirit and to one another. **1 Corinthians 14:26** is the New Testament model for such gatherings; everyone should have some contribution, each bringing different gifts to glorify Christ and to strengthen his body”*

Three ways to pray for and with St Peter’s:

1. Turn up
2. Open your heart
3. Share with others (and God)  
Will you?

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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 4th March 2018

## 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’s Holy Spirit. An evangelical church seeking to share the good news of the Kingdom with those who do not yet know Jesus.

## THIS SUNDAY

8 .00am Holy Communion  
Leviticus 16:26-34, Luke 11:14-28

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Theme: **Atonement**

6.30pm Evening Worship  
1 Peter 3:8-22

Theme: **Gentleness**

## THIS WEEK AT ST PETER’S

Monday 5th 9.15am Morning Prayer (MP)

Tuesday 6th 9.15 am MP (pray for schools)

Wednesday 7th PRAYER DAY  
HC 12.00 noon

Thursday 8th Bus Stop Café 9.00am

Friday 9th Tot’s Praise 10.30am

Saturday 10th Messy Church at White-thorn Methodist Church 3-5pm

Sunday 11th March

8 .00am Holy Communion  
Deuteronomy 6:1-19, Luke 2:33-35

10.30am All age MOTHERING SUNDAY  
Deuteronomy 6:4-18

Theme : **Keep the law**

6.30pm Evening Worship with Holy Communion

Theme: **Self control**

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[www.saintpeterschurch.org.uk](http://www.saintpeterschurch.org.uk)

## NEWS

### HELP REQUIRED

Mothering Sunday Posies - The daffodil posies will be put together on Saturday 10th March 10am to 11am in church. Please let Rachel know if you can help.

### QUIET SPACES -

**Wednesday 4th April 1.30-4.30pm**  
**'Easter Fools'**

An opportunity to reflect on characters in the Easter Story. Further details from Susan Knight (359873)

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE COURTAULD GALLERY

**Wednesday 18th April**

1.30pm – 3pm Courtauld Gallery, Somerset House, The Strand. Guided tour led by art historian Philippa Bassett in support of the St Peter's Fund. £10 per person includes Gallery entrance. £4.00 for Art Fund members Apply to Philippa gcbassett@btinternet.com or 020 8660 9658

### PRAISE AND PRAYER

The next Praise and Prayer is at 8pm on 6th March. This month we will be praying together about the **work of the PCC, major projects** such as the spire and the church hall refurbishment and for a **new Warden** from May.

### CARE

The Care Committee's aim for our new care system is that we intentionally look out for one another and help where we can. Each member will be assigned a **Pastoral Link** who will look out for you in a friendly but non-intrusive way. Jane Bulling is our **Pastoral Co-ordinator** who, with the Rector, will overview needs and how we may address them as a church. The **Pastoral Team** are volunteers available to **visit, help and pray** where needed.

**Please pray for this aspect of ministry.**

## Word at St Peters

### 2018 Sermon Series:

A Series on ***The Law and the Prophets***. Spending a year looking through the Old Testament we will try to answer the question "what is the Law Jesus came to fulfil?"

### BIBLE READING

For March please read :

Week 1: **JOSHUA** Ch 1-11

Week 2: **JOSHUA** Ch 20,22-24,

**RUTH**

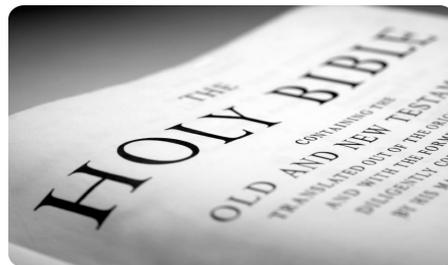
Week 3: **JUDGES** Ch 1-11

Week 4: **JUDGES** ch 12-21

### Evening services:

**Life in step with the Spirit**

Looking at the fruits of the Spirit, 1 Corinthians and Haggai.



"Brenda and Art Barron would like to thank everyone at St Peter's for their prayers, support and condolences following Michael's passing on 30th January"



### PRAYER

**Street prayer -**

This week we pray for the people of:

**Woodmansterne Road**

### COLLECT

**Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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 for ever. Amen**

### PRAYERS FOR 2018

In 2018 please pray for **revival, submission and obedience**. Pray for **gifts** to be released and **confidence** built.

Pray for the flourishing of our **families ministry** and new links in the **Clockhouse** area. Pray for the establishment of the **care team**.

## WHAT'S ON AT ST PETER'S

15th March Prayer day: Midweek HC 10.30am

20th March FUNERAL—Hugh Riley 2.45pm at Randall's Park Crematorium Leatherhead

22nd March Monthly lunch at Woolpack

23rd March Prayer Day : HC 12pm Film Club 1.30pm this month 'An American in Paris'

29th March Maundy Thursday (end of Lent course service followed by vigil until midnight).

30th March Good Friday (Joint service at WBC, hour at the cross, Hymns and Readings).

1st April Easter Sunday (9am and 10.30am)

22nd April Annual Parochial Church Meeting

LENT 2018: weekly prayer days and lunchtime communion—opportunities to come to church to pray and join together at lunchtime for an informal communion.

