

# Parish Church of Barbourne St. Stephen

Visit our website [www.st-stephens-church-worcester.org.uk](http://www.st-stephens-church-worcester.org.uk) for information about services and forthcoming events

Welcome to our church, especially if you are a visitor or a newcomer

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

**Trinity 19**

## **8.00am – Holy Communion**

Readings: Genesis 2.18-24 and Hebrews 1.1-14 (Clergy)

Gospel: Mark 10.2-16

Intercessions: Clergy

## **10.00am - Connect Service**

**Song:** This is the day that the Lord has made.

### **Special Prayer for this week (Collect)**

**Song:** Colours of day dawn into the mind

**Storytelling:** A reading from the bible

**Exploring:** Thinking about what we've just heard

**Song:** In Christ alone my hope is found

**Prayer Activity**

**Sharing Together**

**Song:** You shall go out with joy

## **Next Sunday – Trinity 20**

### **8.00am - Holy Communion**

Readings: Joel 2.21-27

1 Timothy 6.6-10

Clergy/ Volunteer

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Gospel: Matthew 6.25-33

Intercessions: Clergy/ Volunteer

### **10.00am - Family Service**

Readings: Joel 2.21-27

1 Timothy 6.6-10

Paul Kennett

Neil Humphries

Gospel: Matthew 6.25-33

Intercessions: Margaret Mandrell



## **AFTER SERVICE REFRESHMENTS – 10.00AM**

Tea, coffee, squash and biscuits are served in church following the 10.00am service. Why not stay for a drink, biscuit and a chat. It's a chance to get to know everyone. **A warm and friendly welcome to all.**

## **SUNDAY STARS**



Informal Worship for Little Ones and their Grownups Meets on the first Sunday of the month from 9.00-9.30. In the Bishop Allenby Hall (next to the church)

## **GOOD COMPANIONS (Meet in church at 2.30pm)**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October** - Lynda & Chris talk Eco-church

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> Oct** - Car trip to Eagle and Sun for lunch -

Further details from Chris – 07775 938097.



## **CRAFT & CHATTER (Every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the Month)**

10.30-12.30. Will run alongside Open Church. If you knit, crochet, sew, or craft, do come along. Open to all.

**A Better Way to Give Regularly to Church** The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS). Better for givers, better for the church. There is information at the back of church or speak to Richard Hemmings / [www.parishgivingscheme.org.uk](http://www.parishgivingscheme.org.uk)

## **Church Services this coming week.**

Thursday 10.00am Holy Communion

### **Zoom only services**

Monday & Wednesday 8.20am Morning Prayer

Tuesday & Thursday 5.30pm Evening Prayer

**LITTLE STARS** ★ For babies to pre-schoolers and their parents/carers meets in church every Thursday afternoon in term time from 1.30pm to 3.00pm. ★ ★  
Further details from Michelle Walsh (details below)

## **Open Church**

**Thursdays** 10.30am - 12.30pm

**Saturdays** 10.30am - 12.30pm



If you have any items for the pew sheet please e-mail them to: [mwalsh.ststephens@outlook.com](mailto:mwalsh.ststephens@outlook.com)  
Please send by Thursday - 10.00am if you wish it to be included in the following Sunday's pew sheet.

For church hall bookings contact Michelle Walsh at [mwalsh.ststephens@outlook.com](mailto:mwalsh.ststephens@outlook.com) or 07961 097497

# THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

**Do you have green fingers and a couple of hours a month to spare?** Our church borders are in need of some loving care and attention; not just to keep the churchyard looking pretty but to keep the building safe and free from root damage. If you could spare a bit of time each month - perhaps a small group even - speak to Lindsey, Ruth or Kevin.

## **Message from Helen Liard**

Dear friends I wanted to let you know that, after prayerful discernment, I have accepted a new job as a Children's and youth development officer for the West Midlands Synod of the United Reformed Church. I am working out three month's notice so will be around until the end of November. The churches will in due course advertise for my replacement and I look forward to watching via Facebook the new ventures this journey will take you on and that I am sure you will support. Thank you and God Bless you all, Helen.

## **Compassionate/Community Church**

Thank you for your engagement - do please take a look at the display boards in the north aisle where you'll find the really helpful feedback and ideas that were offered during our drop-in coffee sessions. Do please continue to come and chat with either Lindsey, Kevin or Ruth if any further thoughts come to mind.

## **Prayer Diaries – Now Available**

Prayer diaries for October and November are available at the back of church.

**Bishop's Certificate Course** Margaret and Kevin are looking forward to running another Bishop's Certificate course this autumn. They are planning to meet on Monday evenings from 7.30-9.00pm. Do please speak to Margaret or Kevin (or anyone who has recently completed the course) if you're interested in attending.

**For the Full shopping list please go to:**

[www.worcester.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.worcester.foodbank.org.uk)



There is a Foodbank collection box at the back.

**FOODBANK – NEW! GIVE TODAY WEBSITE**

<https://www.givetoday.co.uk/worcesterfoodbank/>

## **Harvest Festival - Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October** **Cake Sale & Garden flowers.**

Harvest has always been a special occasion of thanksgiving. Over recent years we have decorated the church with flowers, and it would be lovely if we had any flowers from gardens, brought in vases, so that we could spread them around the church. All offerings welcome. Our Harvest appeal this year is for the work of Christian Aid and Maggs Day Centre. There will be a cake sale after the service - all donations will be for the work of Christian Aid. Offerings of food and toiletries for Maggs Day Centre will be received during the service. Please see the list of specific requirements at the back of church. Thank you for your generous support.

## **Harvest Messy Church - Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October.**

**10:30 – 13:00** Craft, fun, story and lunch! The Magdalen Room St George's Church. Please do come and join us! All Welcome.

## **Autumn Fayre.**

### **We just wanted to say...**



A massive thank you to the 'many' of you that helped make this years Autumn Fayre such a success! It was such a great day and fun filled event for the local community, receiving so much positive feedback! We could not have done it without you! There are so many to thank... Thank you to all those that helped to plan, those that ran Stalls, the Kitchen and BBQ! Thanks to all those who came to help on the day, those that set up, and those that cleared away and those that helped things go smoothly in many other ways. Thank you to all the bakers for the wonderful response and selection of cakes/bakes that were donated, and to the many who kindly donated to gifts, plants, bottles or chocolates to our stalls and tombola's. Thank you to those who very generously donated prizes to the raffle and to the many who bought raffle tickets! And finally, thanks to those that came along and supported us on the day! We raised a massive £4,000 for St Stephens! So again, to all of you, Thank You!!!