

Welcome TO **STK**

St Thomas' Church, Kendal

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Welcome to St Thomas' Church Kendal. It's great that you are here as we gather for worship today – we love coming together as a family and pray that everyone will receive the Father's love, encounter Jesus and know the Spirit's power! If you are new please make yourself known to someone wearing a lanyard who will be delighted to help you feel at home.



Sunday 1st September

Theme: Life Questions

Title: What difference does my faith make?

Reading: Luke 13:18-21



Sunday 1st September 2024

10:00am All together Holy Communion

7:00pm Evening Worship

Preacher: Pete Jorysz

Led by Pete and Judy

Wednesday 4th September

12.00 noon Holy Communion Preacher: Brian Lock

with tea and cake before the service at 11.15am

Sunday 8th September

09:00am Holy Communion

10.45am Morning Worship

With groups for children and young people from 10.30am

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September prayer meeting

Our next whole church prayer meeting is on Tuesday 3rd September. This meeting will have a section dedicated to praying for James and Emilia. All welcome at 7pm.



9am Coffee Volunteers

We currently have 5 people on the coffee rota for the 9am services, unfortunately this isn't sustainable. Please let the office know if you would be willing to help. Thank you.

Cedars Monday

9th September 2pm at STK

Cedars Harvest afternoon tea is on Monday 9th September. It would be lovely to see you.

Midweek Holy Communion

During the summer, midweek Holy Communion will continue at 12noon each Wednesday. Instead of soup we will be serving tea and cake **BEFORE** the service from 11.15am. It will be lovely to see you.

Midweek Soup

Soup lunch will resume following Holy Communion on Wednesday 11th September. Thank you to our fantastic soup makers, Pauline, Briony, Chris, Helen, Grace and Janet, Ann for her lovely cakes and Diane, Kevin and John for their help with setting up and clearing down. A BIG THANK YOU to Chris deVial for her years of organising the rota. We could do with a couple more helpers on the rota, not to make soup but willing to serve soup. If this is something you can offer please speak with Helen Whittaker.

Staff Changes

At the beginning of September Alex will be leaving us to take up a new full time post with the council, working in project management. We will be sorry to see Alex go but we are grateful for all she has brought to the life of the church here at STK. We are to have an opportunity to say farewell and pray for Alex (and Klen) on Sunday 8th September. If you would like to give towards a leaving gift please place any donation in an envelope and leave in the office addressed to either George or Janet Thank you.

Job Vacancy

We will shortly be advertising a part time vacancy for a Parish Administrator, 16 hours per week. If you are interested initially, please leave your name and contact details with the church office, and we will be in touch, in due course, with further details.

Alpha Courses

We are all called to share our faith in different ways and a great way of helping people find Jesus for themselves is to invite them on an Alpha course. We are hosting the next **Alpha** every Thursday evening from 26th September to 5th December (inc a special weekend 8-9th November). Please be praying about which non-Christian friends, family, neighbours and colleagues you can invite (leaflets available now!). Any queries ask Pete Jorysz. There will also be a **FAMILY Alpha** starting the same day— with Creche provided 9.30 –11.00am do let Wendy or the office know if you are interested.

Bereavement Course

Starting September

The death of a loved one can shock, traumatise and break your heart. Trying to avoid grief can hinder your healing. Suffering in silence does not make it go away. In the Bereavement Journey you will find a safe place, where others who have experienced loss can share their experiences and empathise with you. This is suitable for all, not just Christians. You may want to bring someone along to encourage them. The next Journey begins on Thursday 12th September at 2.00pm in the church lounge. See Lorraine or the team for further information.

Groups restarting

- Bumps and babes will restart on Thursday 12th September
- Toddlers will restart on Tuesday 10th and Friday 13th at Hallgarth
- Warm space will restart on Thursday 12th September 1.30-3.30pm

Ladies Refresh Day

5th October 9.30am

Join us for a day of worship, teaching and refreshment at St Mary's Parish Church, Ambleside, LA229DH. 9.30am-4.30pm. Book online. For more details see notice board.

The Community Shopping Bus

Runs every Wednesday am to Morrisons. A friendly team will collect you from your door and carry your bags inside on your return. £4 for round trip. If **you could benefit** from this service or **know someone who would** please pick up a flyer and contact John Whittaker.

Market place books thanksgiving service

Sat 21st Sept 11am

'You are invited to join us for a thanksgiving service at parr street church on Saturday 21st September at 11.00. Join us to celebrate and give thanks for those 47years and for what we hope to see God do in our town in the future.'



General Prayer: For prayer requests please email prayergeneral@stkmail.org.uk or phone the office on 01539 730683.

Confidential Prayer: Please speak to Julie Barker or contact Julie at prayerconfidential@stkmail.org.uk .

Pastoral Prayer Ministry: - Individual, confidential appointments available for a deeper time of listening and prayer ministry. Speak to Lorraine Gibbard

Monthly Prayer Meeting

First Tuesday of the month for the whole church in church. There are no life group meetings on this day.

Prayer for Healing and Wholeness is available at every service.

Come for yourself or for someone else. Prayer team wear green lanyards.