

# 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 11th February 2024**

**Theme: Christ in all the Scriptures**

**Title: Christ the Son of David**

**Reading: Acts 2:22-36**

### **Sunday 11th February 2024**

**9:00am Holy Communion**

**Preacher: Nick Gray**

**10.45am Morning Worship**

**Preacher: Chris Mullen**

### **Wednesday 14th ASH WEDNESDAY**

**12.00 noon Holy Communion followed by soup and cake lunch**

**Preacher: Simon Howard**

### **Sunday 18th February 2024**

**9:00am Morning Worship**

**Preacher: Pete Jorysz**

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**7:00pm Evening Worship**

**Preacher: George Briggs**

## **PANCAKES TODAY!!!**

following the 10.45 service our Groovys will be selling pancakes with all proceeds going towards the mission trip.

## **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE**

There will be a service of Holy Communion on Wednesday 14th February at 12noon. To mark the start of the season of Lent. This will be followed by soup lunch for those wishing to stay.

### **Cedars**

***Monday 12th February 2.00pm***

Cedars will be meeting TOMORROW. This will be a Communion Tea. We look forward to seeing you.

### **Men's Fish & Chip Supper and Talk**

***Thursday 22nd February 7pm***

Come and join us for an evening of food & fellowship as we find out about the Thirlmere Aqueduct and how water gets from Lakeland fells all the way to Manchester (as well as out of your tap).

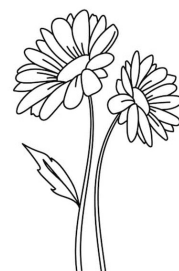
The evening is open to all men aged 16-99 and will provide another great opportunity to get to know one another better as brothers, fathers, husbands, sons and friends. (And get a new appreciation for the water in your tap!) As before, bring your own booze, be that a soft drink, Hawkshead Bitter, or enjoy our very own tap water.

For those eating, costs are £10pp but if you can't afford that, just pay what you can. **Booking is essential!** To book your place, please message Roger Porthouse on email at [roger.w.porthouse@gmail.com](mailto:roger.w.porthouse@gmail.com)

**Bookings close on Sunday 18th<sup>th</sup> February**

### **Sunday Flowers**

Would you like to go on the flower rota for church? We would love more volunteers to go on the rota, you can do as little as one week a year. You don't have to be a florist just happy to put some flowers in a vase! If you feel this is something you can offer, please contact Pauline Kelly or the church office. Thank you



## **YWAM mission trip to Romania**

We're so excited for Aasha, David, Grace, Hugo, James, Martha who will be joining Elisabeth, James and the YWAM team on a short mission trip to Romania! Please be praying for the trip and for the nation of Romania. The aim of the trip is to support one of YWAM's partner churches in Romania in the work that they are doing. This will include:

Children's ministry (songs, games, skits bible story, face painting etc.)  
Teaching English, Home visits, Practical work (painting, sorting clothes, yard work, filling bins), Church services, Evangelism in the town (for which some training will be available) To help make the trip a success, as a team we will be aiming to raise a total of £8000, with James and each young person personally raising £450 and the remaining funds to be raised through team led larger events, grants and gifts. If you would like to donate go to our fundraising page at <https://ywamharpenden.enthuse.com/pf/stkyouth> or perhaps you would like to sponsor one of the young people individually with one of their fundraising challenges.

## **Lent Prayer**

Come and prayer with us through lent. Every Wednesday 10.30am-11.30am and every Thursday 11am-12pm, in the prayer room. Contact Lorraine for more information.

## **Intercessory Prayer meeting @ STK**

***Thursday 22nd Feb 7.30pm***

Prayer to awaken the nation, UK (and the nations) meet at STK.

## **Foundation Governors for St.Thomas's CE Primary School**

We are looking for 2 enthusiastic volunteers from our church family to join the Governing Body. It is a great way to get involved in serving our local community, by offering oversight and support to the school. You don't need to be an expert in education, just have a willingness to learn and to share your own skills and experience. If you would like to know more, please contact Rachael Sutherland, Co-chair of Governors  
[rachael.sutherland@stthomas.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:rachael.sutherland@stthomas.cumbria.sch.uk)

## **Christian Aid**

***Saturday 2nd March 10.30-1.00pm***

Changemakers Conference Hosted by Sandylands Church, followed by free lunch. Hear about the focus for Christian Aid Week 2024 and connect and share ideas with supporters from churches across Cumbria.

Sign up via

[Caid.org.uk/conference](https://caid.org.uk/conference)

## **World Day of Prayer**

***Friday 1st March 2.00pm***

“I beg you, bear with one another in love”.

All are welcome at this special yearly global ecumenical service written by the women of Palestine. Service being held at Salvation Army Hall, Gillingate. Followed by refreshments.

## **Manna House Sponsored Swim *Kendal Leisure Centre 24th Feb 2-4pm***

The theme is Pool Pals – grab a mate or two and fancy dress together as you swim and raise funds for Manna House! A flier can be found on the church notice board, but if you want a sponsorship form, just email [info@manna-house.org.uk](mailto:info@manna-house.org.uk) or pick one up from Reception at Manna House.

Info for the Big Wild Swim which we are running throughout February this year is on the notice board in the lounge.

## **Amporn & Eric House Move**

With God's help, Eric & Amporn have now acquired a house to rent in Kendal. Thank you for your prayers.

We would like help to move furniture etc on 2nd March please. If anyone is available please contact Eric ([eric@ericwhitehead.me.uk](mailto:eric@ericwhitehead.me.uk) <<mailto:eric@ericwhitehead.me.uk>>)

## Questions for reflection or groups this week

### Acts Chapter 2: 22 – 36

- 1) Read verses 25 to 28. David is looking forward to Jesus – His Lord. Look how this makes him feel! Do you experience this? How much is a choice to worship, to be thankful? To recognise all Jesus has done?
- 2) When Jesus rides into Jerusalem on a donkey the crowd shout Hosanna to the Son of David recognising Him as the King. Jesus spoke often about the Kingdom of God – what does that mean to you?
- 3) We are all called to become more like Jesus. ( Gal 5:22 – fruit of the Spirit) Can you think of an area in your life where you have become more like Him? (We are all work in progress, but an area in which you have made some progress) How did it happen?
- 4) In the sermon I suggested these steps – Do you really want to change?  
Do you need to repent?  
Don't try determination but ask God to change you from the inside out. See Romans 12:2 renew our minds, Luke 6:45 – we need to change our hearts and store up good there.  
When struggling with temptation or sin ask God to use this time to make you more like Jesus.  
What do you think of these suggestions?
- 5) Ephesians 2:10 talks about the good works God has prepared in advance for us to do. We are very different (Hallelujah!) Can you share an instant where God has led you in your life? How can we work out what God is calling each of us to do?
- 6) This is a list of most of the gifts of the Spirit mentioned in the Bible – which do you have? In what circumstances is God likely to give you more?

**Word of wisdom Word of knowledge Faith Gifts of healing**

**Working of miracles**

**Prophecy Discerning of spirits Tongues Interpretation of tongues**

**Helping Administration Ministry/service Teaching**

**Encouragement Giving Leadership**

**Mercy Apostleship Evangelism Pastoral guidance Grace**

**Willingness to face martyrdom Intercession Hospitality Celibacy**