

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.



August News Sheet



Theme: Life Questions

PRAYER

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 — No meeting in August.

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.

August Services

Sunday 11th August

**10.00am Everyone Together for Morning Worship
including Baptism of Isaac Ezra Timotheus**

Wednesday 14th August

**12.00 noon Holy Communion— *join us for tea and cake
before the service from 11.15am***

Preacher: Nick Gray

Sunday 18th August

**10.00am Everyone Together Morning Worship
Club Sunday for children and young people in the church lounge
10.30am**

Wednesday 21st August

**12.00 noon Holy Communion— *join us for tea and cake
before the service from 11.15am***

Preacher: Bill Holliday

Sunday 25th August

**10.00am Everyone Together Morning Worship
Including Infant baptism**

Wednesday 28th August

**12.00 noon Holy Communion— *join us for tea and cake
before the service from 11.15am***

Preacher: George Briggs

Sunday 1st September

**10.00am All Together Holy Communion
7.00pm Evening Worship**



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.

Summer Sundays

From Sunday 28th July we begin our Summer Sunday rota. There will be one service only on a Sunday at 10.00 this service will be for everyone of every age. Holy Communion will be available every Wednesday at 12 noon and Sunday 1st September at our 10am service.

Club Sundays taking place for our young people will be in the church lounge on Sunday 18th August.

Church Office - August hours

Please note the change of days for the church office during the summer Open 10-4pm Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday during August.

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.

Jenny McIntyre

Jenny's funeral will be held at St Thomas', on Monday 12th August. 2pm followed by refreshments in the church lounge. If you would be willing to make a cake please sign up on the list outside the kitchen.

Are you new to St Thomas?

We would love to get to know you, please pick up a 'Welcome to you' card from the reception desk to stay in contact with us.

Stay and Play at Hallgarth Community Centre

STK are running a stay and play drop in for parents with babies and toddlers, on Wednesday 14th & 25th August. Cost £2, tea and coffee and soft drinks served all morning. Hallgarth toddlers restarts on Friday 6th September.

The Community Shopping Bus “Get on board!”

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 pass the flyer on and contact John Whittaker.

St Thomas' Heating and Net Zero Project—UPDATE

On the church website you will find information about our Heating and Net Zero Project. The PCC has agreed a carbon neutral scheme for the lounge and entrance area of church where our existing heating system no longer functions. Our well-researched scheme involves air to air heat pump systems and has been designed with the support of the Diocesan Advisory Committee and our church architect. By moving away from gas boilers in a large part of our building, we will reduce our gas use by an estimated 70%, and significantly increase our contracted use of renewable electricity, resulting in very substantial annual reductions of our Carbon footprint. Planning permission has now been given, Praise God; and Faculty is, we hope and pray, close to being granted. We are continuing to apply for grant monies and to carry out fundraising to cover the £40,000 cost of the project. Please continue to pray for the progress of our project, and heartfelt thanks to all who have given so generously towards the costs involved. Thank you.

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.