

Prayer

The Prayer Ministry Team is available after the 9.15am and 6pm services in the Soldiers' Chapel if you would like someone to pray with you.

Collect for the twelfth Sunday after Trinity

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please pray for those who are unwell including:

John Oxley, Andrew Sims (Ann Peachey's father) and George Wood

We pray for these people at the 8am Sunday service and 10am Wednesday service. There is a book in the Soldiers' Chapel and people entered in this are prayed for daily.

Prayer Focus

The team from UK had a great time working with **ICFEM** this year, and left lots of reports and thoughts for the mission to consider. Please pray for their economic sustainability plans and the abattoir which will help raise funds for the mission, and also the local economy. Please pray for the work of the hospital and the next steps for it being considered by the mission board. Also pray for the work of all the local fellowships scattered around the countryside. All the leaders gathered for a week's conference last month, and have gone back inspired. Pray for them as they seek to implement the ideas they have heard. Pray especially for the Mission leaders Solomon and Ruth as recent months have been very busy, and they are both tired. Give them wisdom in their tiredness, and opportunity for rest.

-  Induction loop available for those hard of hearing.
-  Accessible toilets are located in St John's hall.
-  LARGE PRINT orders of service are available.

CHURCH EMERGENCY EXITS:

Front – pass the choir stalls to doors right and left.
Rear – through main doors.

All items for inclusion in the notice sheet – in writing and not more than 40 words – should reach Jenny Carrington at the Parish Office by **9.15am on Wednesday at the latest.**

What's on this week...

Mon 9 Sept	8.30am 9.15am 12.30pm	Prayer for the community and the world Stepping Stones – St John's Hall Stepping Stones – St John's Hall
	7.30pm	Service of Collation and Installation of Geoff Lanham
Tue 10 Sept	8.00pm	Music Group Practice - church
Wed 11 Sept	9.15am 10.00am 12.30pm 12.30pm 3.30pm	Stepping Stones – St John's Hall Holy Communion Stepping Stones – St John's Hall Jaffa Club – Knowle School Holy Communion at Birchmere
Thu 12 Sept	6.45am – 7.30am 10.15am 12 noon 1.45pm 7.30pm	Prayer in St John's Hall New Horizon – Guild House Friendship Club Lunch – St John's Hall Mothers' Union – St John's Hall Choir Practice – church
Fri 13 Sept	9.15am 10.00am 12.30pm	Stepping Stones – St John's Hall Bumps and Babies Café – Guild House Stepping Stones – St John's Hall
Sat 14 Sept	10.00am 10.00am	Cobbles coffee and cake – Guild House Dads and Toddlers - St John's Hall
Sun 15 Sept	Geoff's First Sunday 10.30am	Combined Celebration Service with Holy Communion: Geoff Lanham

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Becoming lifelong followers of Jesus Christ

Welcome! If you are new or wish to the church please complete a welcome card and pass to one of the clergy or welcome/sides team so that we can welcome you personally.

8am	Holy Communion Speaker: Robin Mortimore Jeremiah 18: 1-11 Luke 14: 25-33
9.15am	Morning Worship Speaker: Ann Peachey <i>Our calling: Life with God. Facing change.</i> Matthew 4:1-11 (p) Groups during the service: Crèche (0-2s) St John's Small Hall Toddlers (Ages 2-3) Guild House Scramblers (Nursery and Reception) St John's Hall Initi8 (School Yrs 1-2) Junior School Gener8 (School Yrs 3-4) Junior School Reson8 (School Yrs 5-6) Junior School 'SMS' (Yrs 7-13) Guild House upper/youth room <i>Would parents of Scramblers collect them during the last song. Parents of Crèche and Toddlers please collect your children at the end of the service. Initi8 and Gener8 and Reson8 end at 10.30am.</i>
11am	Morning Prayer Speaker: Ann Peachey <i>Our calling: Life with God. Facing change.</i> Isaiah 43:14-21 Janet Stewart Matthew 4:1-11 Andrew Martin
6pm	Combined Evening Service <i>Questions God asks: Where are you?</i> Genesis 3 Prayers:
6.30pm	YES - Youth Evening Service

Coffee & Tea are available in St John's hall between the 9.15am and 11am services and the **Bookshop** is open.

News Headlines

The service of collation and installation of Geoff Lanham as vicar of KPC will be at 7.30pm tomorrow Monday 9 September.

We look forward to welcoming Geoff on his first Sunday as vicar on 15 September when he will be sharing his number one priority for ministry. We will be meeting for a combined service at 10.30am, with no other services on that day. This is followed by a Bring and Share lunch in the hall, where everyone is welcome. Please bring food for you and a little bit extra for somebody else and take to the hall prior to the service. Coffee will be available from 9.45-10.30am so do arrive early to share coffee time together. Usual morning service patterns will resume the following week for the rest of this term.

Acclaimed writer and speaker **Philip Yancey** (author of 'What's So Amazing About Grace?') comes to Knowle Parish Church on **Wednesday 25 September** at 7pm in support of The Leprosy Mission as part of a rare speaking tour. Tickets (£7) are available via the KPC website – from 'Latest' on homepage.

A big thank you to all those who have led and hosted **Homegroups** this year. Homegroups are an essential part of our ministry in Knowle and we are deeply appreciative for the time and faithful commitment you give to your groups. Many of you will have a break over the summer and we hope it will be a time of refreshment for you. If anyone would like to join a Homegroup in the autumn please email Jan Wilson (janmarwilson@hotmail.com)

Christianity Explored: in the Red Lion, starting on Wednesday 9 October. An informal, enjoyable series of 8 sessions in October and November looking at what Christians believe and why. Treat it as an introduction or refresher. Useful for anyone at any stage; been involved with youth groups or children's work? Sung in the choir? Enjoyed Cobbles on a Saturday? Getting married or having little ones christened? Bring friends. Invitation leaflets at the back of Church. Full information on the website. Email nick@houghtons.net or text 'EXPLORE' to 07714 694000 and we will be in touch.

Men's Breakfast on Saturday 5 October 8.30am – 9.45am, St John's Hall. Not to be missed! An excellent cooked breakfast and inspiring interview with Peter Thompson on the title 'What – me? Invitation cards at the back of Church. Full details on the website. Please feel free to invite friends. To reserve spaces please e-mail: kpcmen@gmail.com or text 07714 694000.

Other News

Thank you to all who have offered to provide cakes for after Geoff's service. Please remember no nuts to be used and please deliver to the Hall before the service from 6.30pm onwards. Also thanks to those who have offered to set up. **Please arrive at 6.30pm.**

Bible reading notes for September and October are in the pigeonholes for collection. Any queries contact Susan Ditchfield on 01564 774737.

New Horizon starts again this Thursday 12 September. The group meets fortnightly in the Guild House at 10.15am. The Bible study is 'led from the front' but questions and comments are welcome and enjoyed by all, as are the excellent refreshments. Do come and join us.

MU Why not join us on Thursday 12 September at 1:45pm in St John's Hall and hear our Diocesan President, Deirdre Moll, unpack MULO – Mothers' Union Listens, Observes and Acts. It will be very interesting and we will follow this with tea, coffee and biscuits. All welcome.

Rainbow Tots starts back on Tuesday 17 September, we are currently full so if people would like a place please contact Anna Johansson-Chambers.

Penny's Youth Café Corner.

Thank you to all Penny's Cake bakers...we had over 80 young people at the opening of the Youth Café and we had more slices of cake than young people through the door!!

Penny's Youth Café is open 3.30-6pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday each week

New Evening Youth Events at Penny's 6-7.30pm Tuesday (Year 7 Breakout), Wednesday (Year 8-10), Thursday (Youth group for Years 7-13) and Monday (Years 11-13 home group at 46 Crabmill Close. Food provided at each event.

Noticeboard

Heritage Weekends. There will be exhibitions in church on Saturdays 14 and 21 September between 10am and 3pm, and on 14 September the opportunity of going up the church tower as well. At Temple Balsall there is an Art Exhibition and Autumn Fayre on Saturday 14 September between 11am and 5pm and various events on Sunday 15 September too. See the Heritage Open Days website for more information.

Anawim Awards reception. Tuesday 17 September at 5.30pm. All friends and supporters of Anawim are invited to attend this evening reception that will follow the annual Awards Ceremony where women receive certificates for their achievements. Drinks & canapés from 5pm onwards. From 3pm there will also be a walking tour of the centre for the women, tutors and staff to showcase their work. Anawim Women's Centre, 228 Mary Street, Balsall Heath, B12 9RJ. Please RSVP to EmilyJohnson@anawim.co.uk

Concert at St Swithin's Church Barston on Saturday 21 September at 7.30pm. Birmingham Musical Theatre Company will be singing songs from the musicals. Tickets £12, to include a glass of wine and canapés, available from Vivian Orton (0121 705 4248 psorton2@gmail.com) or on the door.

Calling women of all ages, from 14 upwards .. a date for your diary - 'The Lord Our Rock' Midlands Women's Convention on Saturday 12 October, 10am-4.30pm - a really good annual event at Renewal Centre, Lode Lane, Solihull. See Sue Houghton for more information, and flyers at the back of church. Well worth it!

Tearfund Rubbish Campaign If you have a Campaign card there is a box at the back of church for the tear off part of the card. Please keep the other part of the card with the white bottle to make a note of how much plastic you have given up, and return that part to the box on 8 November to be counted up. We will announce the amount of plastic we will have given up as a church on Tearfund Sunday, 17 November when Tearfund speakers will announce the total.

The flowers on the Communion Table this week are provided by Mrs Hind in memory of her husband Chris on their wedding anniversary on 7 September.