
About Us

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Sunday Club (3-10yrs) and **Youth Church**

(11yrs+) meet during the 10.30 service.

There is a **crèche** available in the church hall during the service and you are welcome to leave your 0-3 year old in good hands while you enjoy the service.

Mix and Junior Mix These clubs run on Saturday evenings in term time.

Junior Mix (6.00-7.30pm) is for ages 8-10.

The Mix (7.30-9.00pm) is for 10+ years.

The Prayer Network is a group of St Devenick's folk committed to pray confidentially for people and issues as required. If a prayer need arises, let one of us know and we will then pass on the request, in a brief message, to the team.

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Welcome

to St Devenick's Church

Especially if you are a visitor or newcomer! Coffee, tea and biscuits are served after the 10.30am service and we look forward to meeting you then.



24th April 2016

Holy Communion

The Holy Spirit makes us pure

Leading: Stephen Goodyear

Speaking: Paul Watson

Reading: Jill Kirkham

Intercessions: Janet Maybank

Thought for the week:

Becoming a Christian is like a ship being put into the dry dock. It is safe, but it is not sound. The Holy Spirit through his work of purifying us within is the one who makes us sound.

Prayer of the Week

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, give us wisdom and faith to trust in you. When we cannot see your presence, when the way is full of darkness and doubt, increase our faith and help us to know that you will never leave us or forsake us, for you are ever with us, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with the Father and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

News

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ON MAY 8TH

There will be a Congregational Meeting immediately following the 10.30am service on May 8th to discuss the church finances and possible ways forward. Childcare will be provided during this meeting. If at all possible please attend this important event in our church life together.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2016

Christian Aid week is from Sunday 15th May until Saturday 21st May. We are looking for volunteers to do the house to house collections for the streets that are St Devenick's responsibility. Please contact Pat Skidmore if you are interested in helping.

SOCIAL BADMINTON CLUB

We are thinking of starting a regular badminton evening one night each week in the hall. Can you please contact Jennifer Walsh if you are interested.

TEA BAG ANGEL

If you have been collecting tea bags for All Saints, Whiterashes, please bring them to church next Sunday. Thanks for collecting. They will not require anymore tea bags after Sunday. The Angel will be on display at All Saints for Open Doors day on Saturday 17th September and at other times.

SPRING CLEAN Our annual spring clean will be next Saturday April 30th from 9.30am until 12 noon. Come for all or just part of the time. This is always an enjoyable and friendly event and there is something for everyone to do, no matter what your age! We will have Elevenses together halfway through. Please see Helen Goodyear if you would like to choose a task in advance. Bring your own tools/equipment.

WOMEN TOGETHER This is exactly what it sounds like—All women of any age are welcome to come, whether new to church or old hands.

FRIDAY FRIENDS COFFEE MORNING First Friday of each month. Drop into church from 9.30-12 noon for a cup of coffee and some home baking, and the chance to relax and chat. Toys are available for young children and everybody is welcome.

MAINTENANCE WORKING PARTY on the **third Friday of each month at 1.30pm.** Anybody is welcome to come along and help. Please see Jim Middleton or Meyrick Hadfield for more information.

ROTAS You can find the rotas for all the various tasks in the life of the church on the website. Click on 'Services,' select 'Rotas' from the dropdown menu and use the password when prompted. If you would like to be reminded of the password, please speak to Jennifer.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY There is a new term card available at the back of the church.

ELECTIONS There will be a hustings gathering at the Cults Kirk Centre on the 26th April at 7.30pm.

NOTICE SHEET The notice sheet is now being edited by Jennifer Walsh. All notices need to be in to the church office by 9am on Thursday.

Romans 8: 5-17

5 Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. 6 The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. 7 The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. 8 Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God. 9 You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. 10 But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. 11 And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

12 Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation – but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. 13 For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

14 For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. 15 The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, 'Abba, Father.' 16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. 17 Now if we are children, then we are heirs – heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Acts 4: 32-37

32 All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared

everything they had. 33 With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all 34 that there was no needy person among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales 35 and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.

36 Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means 'son of encouragement'), 37 sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

John 3: 1-8

When the Gospel is announced:

Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. 2 He came to Jesus at night and said, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.'

3 Jesus replied, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.'

4 'How can someone be born when they are old?' Nicodemus asked. 'Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!'

5 Jesus answered, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. 6 Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. 7 You should not be surprised at my saying, "You must be born again." 8 The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel. Praise to Christ our Lord.

Notes

Prayer points:

Please pray for:

1. Ian and Ruth Arthur; Stuart and Ann Bale; Simon and Liz Barnett, Frances and Emma.
 2. John Stripe (Christel's husband) as he recovers from a major operation.
 3. Mildred Hoskins recovery from a recent illness.
 4. The Holyrood elections.
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PRAYERS IN THE RECTORY We meet together at 8.45am every Friday (in term time) for about 30 minutes to pray for our church and for the needs of those around us. Everybody is welcome.

Next Sunday - 1st May

Leading: Ruth Arthur
Speaking: Bex Collins
Reader: N/A
Intercessions: N/A
Welcome: Kathleen Simpson
Offering: Frank Dirr
Jim Middleton
Prayer min: TBA
Sound: Simon Barnett
Coffee: Elizabeth Barnett
Pat James
Creche: Elisabeth Lonsdale
Anne Cooper
Flowers: Joan Noble

The Church Office is staffed on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

Emails and phone messages received in the office will be checked regularly and will be responded to as soon as possible. Items for the notice sheet should be phoned or emailed to the office by 9.00am on Thursday (subject: Notice sheet).

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*Please take this notice sheet home
as a reminder and for prayer*

**Large print hymn books and
service sheets are available**
