

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 23RD MARCH

ST ALBANS

10.00 am Methodist morning service led by
Revd Wendy Tucker

6.30 pm Evening Prayer

HOLY TRINITY

11.00 am Team Service at St Laurence
(NO SERVICE AT HOLY TRINITY)

FUTURE SERVICES AT ST ALBANS

SUNDAY 30TH MARCH – Mothering Sunday Methodist
morning service led by Neil Grecian and evening service led by
Revd Rachel Hope at 6.30pm

SUNDAY 6TH APRIL – Café service led by Karen Burridge and
Fusebox at 7.00pm with guest speaker Revd Sue Peat

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All items for the next news sheet please to Janet Email: cfn@live.co.uk

For all bookings of the Wesley Room please contact Sarah Turk
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CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 16TH MARCH

ST ALBANS

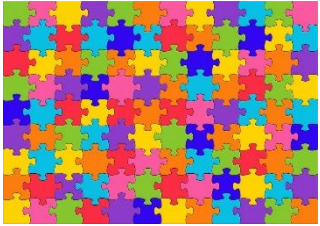
10.00am Methodist morning service led by
Stuart Hobbs

4.00 pm Afternoon tea service led by Karen Burridge
preceded by tea and cake at 3.00pm

HOLY TRINITY

11.00 am Sunday Praise, with the Local Ministry Team

NEWS ITEMS



NEW – JIGSAW LIBRARY

I recently received a request for a jigsaw library so a few of us have put our heads together and this is what we have come up with. The large wooden crate next to the piano will be home to our jigsaws. We will need about 20 to start us off so if you have any jigsaws you are willing to donate, please bring them in. I think that 500 piece jigsaws will be the most popular but a few 1000 piece jigsaws will also be fine. The idea is that you either bring a jigsaw from home and swap it with one in the crate or you borrow one from the crate and return it once you have finished with it. The most important rule is going to be that no jigsaws must be left lying around the Wesley Rooms, if there isn't room in the crate then please take them back home or to a local charity shop. We will probably take some to the charity shop from time to time so that the stock can be refreshed. Let's give it a go and see how we get on. We are not going to label the crate at the moment, we'll just try it out with church members to start off with. If you have any questions please speak to me Janet Townsend. Thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

HOLY WEEK

MAUNDY THURSDAY

On **Maundy Thursday** this year, April 17th, we will be repeating our token Passover meal and Communion at 7pm in the Church at St Alban's. Sign up sheets will go up in both churches shortly. Some idea of numbers helps with the catering, but please feel free to come on the night, whether you have signed up or not. We will be following a form of words that help us to be more aware of the Jewish setting of the Last Supper at the time of Passover and this will lead into a Communion Service. This is a token Passover meal, with small tastes of the various elements, it is not a meal. We will need to recruit a fairly large number of people from both churches to be part of the proceedings, so please be willing to help if you possibly can. More information if needed from Karen Burridge or Rich Spring.

GOOD FRIDAY

There will be a joint reflective service at St Alban's at 9.45am on Good Friday, April 18th. This service will finish in good time for those who wish to join the Churches Together Walk of Witness at 11am.

LENT GROUPS

We will be holding Lent groups at St Alban's from Thursday March 6th until Thursday April 10th, except Thursday 3rd April which is the ECC meeting. We will mainly be in the Wesley Rooms, but two will be in the Church. We will meet at 7.00pm for refreshments and start at 7.30pm. We will be studying the York course Caring for Creation. We have used York courses before, there is a participant's booklet, priced £4.99, which will hopefully be available before the course. For more information, please contact Karen Burridge: kburridge1@sky.com



ART EXHIBITION

The Door is delighted to present “Art Exhibition” - a stunning showcase

of local talent, on display at The Yard Gallery in the heart of Stroud.

This extraordinary collection featuring over 30 unique pieces, celebrates the creative spirit of our community's artists, from emerging young talents to seasoned masters with pieces from those aged 11 to 92.

This exhibition showcases a wide range of mediums, offering visitors an opportunity to experience the depth and diversity of local artistic expression.

Whether you're an established collector or looking to purchase your

first piece of original art, the exhibition has something for all tastes and budgets, with works ranging from £3 to £300.

Every purchase will support The Door's vital mission of providing safe spaces and positive role models for young people and families throughout our district.

Visit us at The Yard Gallery and be part of this celebration of community creativity while making a meaningful difference in young lives.

The Yard Gallery can be found just off the High Street, in Stroud Town Centre.

We will be open between **Tuesday 1st and Saturday 5th April 9.30am-5.00pm (open late Thursday 3rd April until 7.00pm).**

REGULAR MEETINGS



PRAYERTIME

Please come and spend Prayertime in private and shared prayer on **Monday evening at 7.30pm – 8.30pm**. In St Albans Church, starting with brief prayerful socialisation over tea and biscuits. Folk from all churches and none are very welcome.



HOLY TRINITY SATURDAY MORNING PRAYER TIME

Do join us on every third Saturday morning for a time of informal prayer, including prayers for those on our Prayer Board, the next date is: **Saturday 15th March 9.30am-11.00am**



CRAFT AND CHAT GROUP

The next Craft and Chat group is on **Monday 17th March 2.30pm-4.30pm** at St Alban's, generally in the Wesley Room.

Everyone welcome, to craft and/or to chat. Help available and beginner crafters welcome. More info from Karen Burrige, 752839, kburrige1@sky.com.



CHRISTIAN CONVERSATION

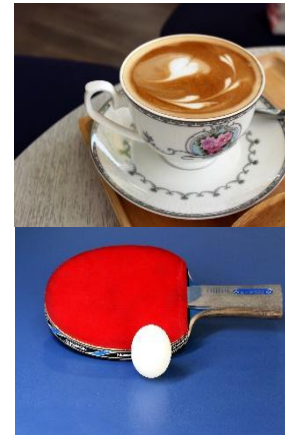
Christian Conversation continues on **Wednesday 19th March at 7.30pm**.

For more information, please contact Stuart



FRIDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

Friday Night Fellowship will next be meeting on **Friday 4th April**. Food will be shared and fellowship enjoyed. All welcome and lifts can be arranged.



SATURDAY AFTERNOON SOCIAL

Our next meeting will be on **Saturday 5th April** from 3.30pm onwards. Do come and join us for an enjoyable afternoon of friendship, games and a bring and share tea. **All ages** are welcomed; bring your own favourite board games along with you or your knitting or whatever you like. It is simply an opportunity to spend some time together.