

Mon 3 rd Apr	10.00am	Staff Meeting
	7.30pm	Toft Fellowship

Pray for the Staff Meeting as they seek God's guidance through the week and the needs within His church. Pray for the Toft Fellowship as they continue their study in "Discipleship Explored".

Tue 4 th Apr	6.30pm	May Day Court practice
	7.30pm	Tatton Singers practice

Pray for the Communion Service in church tomorrow that, this monthly time together may be a blessing to all attending, that they may come to a deeper understanding of all that Christ did to redeem us.

Wed 5 th Apr	11 am	Holy Communion (SJK)
	8pm	Prayer Gathering

Pray for the Prayer Gathering tonight, that as we meet to bring our praises and petitions to our Heavenly Father we may know that He is near to listen to the cry of His children as we pray in Jesus' Name.

Thu 6 th Apr	2pm	Toft Mothers' Union
	7.30pm	Bell ringing
	8pm	ACF

Pray for the ACF Meeting, that it may be an interesting time as Peter Reddish gives an illustrated talk on "Three years in a Tropical Paradise" which reminds us of God's wonderful creation.

Fri
7th Apr

Pray for the United Kingdom, its Prime Minister, her Government and Parliament as they face difficult negotiations with the EU as well as within the Union. Pray that in all matters the Lord will guide us in the path of righteousness.

Sat
8th Apr

Pray for the holiday period ahead, that as parents, children and adults take a break to relax, they may be kept safe from all harm and danger and we may know God's watchfulness over us.

Sunday 9th April 2017 (Palm Sunday)

Knutsford	8.45am	Holy Communion
	10.15am	Morning Worship
	6.30pm	Evening Worship
Toft	10.15am	Holy Communion

Pray for this Palm Sunday, that as we remember Christ's ride into Jerusalem we may think of His journey leading to His death on a cruel cross to pay the price for the sins of the whole world.

Today's Services Sunday 2nd April 2017 (Lent 5)

The Collect

Almighty God, look mercifully upon your people so that by your great goodness we may be always governed and preserved both in body and soul, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

St John's Knutsford

The cost of discipleship

8.45am

Led by: Nigel Atkinson
Luke 14: 25-34 (p874)

Holy Communion

Preacher: Nigel Atkinson
Genesis 12: 1-9 (p8)

10.15am

Led by: Stephen Watson
Luke 14: 25-34 (p874)

Morning Worship

Preacher: Nigel Atkinson
Genesis 12: 1-9 (p8)

EVENING WORSHIP: Jesus' Commandment

6.30pm

Led by: Julija Broomhead
John 15:9-17 (p902)

Evening Service

Preacher: Dan Young

You can expect the sermons to last about 30 mins, and the service overall about 70-95 mins. Knutsford Sermons are available on the web within a few days

St John's Toft

8.00am

Led by Nigel Atkinson

Jesus' Commandment

Holy Communion

Preacher: Nigel Atkinson

10.15am

Led by: Val Brooker
1 John 4: 7-21 (p1227)

Morning Worship

Preacher: Dan Young
John 15: 9-17(p1083)

Do join us for refreshments after the service.

In the middle of a crisis? Sick? In need? Not sure what to do next? We have friends in Knutsford & Toft you can talk to. Call our Ministers: Nigel (K632834) or Dan (K228216).

After Service Prayer: After the 10.15 service at Knutsford there will be people in the Memorial Chapel who will pray with you if you would like.

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WOOD STREET EASTER APPEAL

Thank you for the overwhelming response to our Easter Egg Appeal. This is the last Sunday for donating Easter Eggs but the collection boxes will be there until Tuesday 4th April for any last minute donations. JMCK & CB

NEW SONG!

At the 10.15 SJK service we will be learning a new song. It is called Man of Sorrows, Lamb of God, and if you'd like to hear it before then, please try this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YIOJ5o8W4Lw> or there is an acoustic version at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3B4XrVF5rJQ>

THEATRE VISIT: ACF

If you would like to come to The Garrick Theatre on Thursday 27th April to see a production of 'Brassed Off' - a comedy/drama, please add your name to the list in the Church Centre. Toft folk please ask Di Lloyd-Davies or Sylvia Billingham to add you to their list. Tickets are £13 (con.) or £15 full price. Lifts will be arranged later when we have the final numbers (by 20th April please).

CARE FOR THE FAMILY

Rob Parsons and Katharine Hill will be offering tips, hints and insights for parents of children up until the early teens on a tour which visits Liverpool on Thursday 25th May. They will be at Bridge Chapel Centre, Heath Rd, Garston L19 4XR. More details available from the office or book on-line: careforthefamily.org.uk/parentalktour

ACF MEETING: Thursday 6 April

We are pleased to welcome back Peter Reddish who will be giving an illustrated talk on "Three years in a Tropical Paradise" about his time in the South Seas. Those of you who heard his previous talk last year will know you are in for a fascinating evening. All are welcome. Please note that this meeting has been brought forward a week and is not as published in your members' calendar.

EASTER LILIES

In the lead up to Easter Sunday you are invited to donate an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one. Please place your donation in one of the small brown envelopes which you will find on the oak chest in the church entrance, writing the details of those you wish to be remembered on the front.

MAY DAY

The Church Hill Café will be open again on Saturday May 6th. Anne Rogers is arranging a rota of people who are willing to help with washing up (using the dishwasher). If you can spare just one hour for this important chance to serve, please email Anne at annerogers.knut@btinternet.com or contact the office.

PRISON FELLOWSHIP LETTERS

Please collect your April letter from your pigeon hole. There are spares in the Church Centre entrance too, so do help yourselves.

BIG CHURCH DAY OUT

Tearfund is sponsoring a Northern version of the highly successful Big Church Day Out at the end of the summer half-term, 2nd & 3rd June at Capesthorpe Hall. There is a fantastic line-up, take a look at the website: <https://bigchurchdayout.com/north/>

CHRISTIAN INSTITUTE

There will be a Christian Institute meeting at the Brook Mollington Banastre Hotel, Chester CH1 6NN, on Thursday 27th April at 7.30pm. The agenda includes updates on Ashers Baking Co, Gospel freedom regarding Christian youth work, and Transsexualism in schools. Further details are available on the table by the Church Centre doors. All are welcome.

YOUNG @ HEART

Monday 10th April at 2 p.m. in the Church Centre This month we welcome Lis Donnelly who will be telling us of hers and Jessie Bunyan's visit to a Buckingham Palace Garden Party. There will also be a DVD of this occasion. After refreshments we will have a short devotion. We welcome any retired person to our meetings.

Chris & Diana Jones.

TOFT MOTHERS' UNION

We will be meeting on Thursday 6th April at 2.00pm in Toft Church Hall. Our speaker is Derek Buckthorpe and the title of his talk is "Mothers' Union - A Family History."

LIFE EXPLORED COURSE

Life Explored shows us how our deepest desires for happiness can only ever be satisfied in one person, Jesus Christ. This 7 session course will start on Thursday 27th April at 8pm, with weekly meetings until 15th June. It features a combination of short films - shot around the world - and Bible interaction. If you would like to know more, please contact the Church Office or Judy Pearce K754614

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

10 th Apr	Young@Heart
13 th Apr	Maundy Thursday Communion
14 th Apr	Good Friday 10am Children's Service 2pm Service of Meditation(SJK)
16 th Apr	Easter Day
18 th Apr	Oasis new term starts
19 th Apr	Café re-opens
21 st Apr	Cornerstone
22 nd Apr	Men's Bushcraft Day
24 th Apr	E &FP meeting
26 th Apr	Oasis Life Explored Course starts (SJK)
30 th Apr	APCM (SJK & Toft, separately)
6 th May	Northern Men's Convention Royal May Day: Church Café open Royal May Day Service (SJK)
7 th May	Thanksgiving Service with Bishop Keith
28 th May	(SJK) Bring and share lunch afterwards