

Today's Services
Sunday 6th October (Trinity 16)

The Collect

Lord, let your continual pity cleanse and defend your church, and because it cannot continue in safety without your aid, protect it by your help and goodness for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

St John's Knutsford

8.45am

Led by: Nigel Atkinson

10.15am

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2 Corinthians 4: 1-6
(p965)

6.30pm

Led by: John Lee
Mark 4: 1-20 (p839)

Holy Communion

Preacher: John McLernon

Morning Service

Preacher: John McLernon

Evening Service

Preacher: Stephen Watson

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

Harvest Festival

10.15am

Led by: Dan Young
Isaiah 55: 1-2, 6-11(p742)

Morning Worship

Preacher: Stephen Watson
Mark 4: 1-20 (p1005)

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 Nigel (K632834) or Dan (K228216), or our pastoral team leader Anne (07436 112305)

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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Days off: Thursdays: Richard; Fridays: Dan; Helen
Saturdays: Nigel, Chris J

Mon	10.00am	Oasis
7 th	12 noon	SJK Funeral: Rosemary
Oct		Wakefield
	8.00pm	Rock Choir

Pray for the legal protection of unborn children to be developed, and for the care of women who need support.

Tue	9.30am	Staff Meeting
8 th	10.00am	Oasis
Oct	8.00pm	Home groups Tatton Singers

Praise God for the daily provision he makes for us, and pray for forgiveness for the way we take so much for granted.

Wed	1.30pm	Home group
9 th	7.30pm	Youth cells
Oct	8.00pm	Home groups

Pray that the government will take action to combat hate speech, without removing the right to witness.

Thu	9.30am	Evangelism Conference: Office closed
10 th		
Oct	10.00am	Oasis
	7.30pm	Bell ringing
	8.00pm	E&P

Praise God for the many initiatives we can take to reach out to the people of Knutsford, and pray for creativity and imagination as we do so.

Fri	5.00pm	Eureka Weekend Away
11 th		
Oct		

Pray for all at the Eureka weekend away, that they will be blessed, encouraged and challenged in their faith.

Sat		
12 th		
Oct		

Praise God for Hope Central, and its outreach to those in difficulties. Pray for all the volunteers, that they may continue to reflect the love of Jesus to others.

Sunday 13th October (Trinity 17)

Knutsford	8.45am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
	10.15am	Holy Communion
	6.30pm	Evening Worship
Toft	10.15am	Holy Communion

The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he helps me. My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise him.

NORTHERN WOMEN'S CONVENTION

2nd November at King's House Conference Centre, Manchester. The topic is Ephesians and focusses on rediscovering our identity in Christ, with seminars on singleness, gender identity, coping with stress and reading the Bible 1-1 with other women. Leaflets available in the office. A group will be going from SJK, so let Chris H or Sue Broadbent know if you're interested. There is a booking sheet if you want to sign up.

CHRISTIAN ILLUSIONIST- SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER at 7 pm.

Tickets are available from the office for the visit of illusionist Steve Price. Steve will bring us an amazing and hilarious show that integrates a Christian message along the way. Great to invite family and friends to. See offer - Tickets are £10 adults / £5 children under 16 / family ticket £25. When also buying for non-church guests - buy one get one half price.

GUEST SERVICE - WHO WILL YOU INVITE?

On Sunday 20th October, the day after Steve Price's visit, our 10.15 service is one to which we can invite family, friends and other contacts. A simple message will be preached that day as an invitation to know Jesus for ourselves.

BRING AND SHARE LUNCH

SJK have been pleased to welcome several new people recently, and would love to get to know them better. We plan to have a Bring and Share lunch after the 10.15 Guest service on 20th October, so please make a note in your diaries, and bring enough savoury food for your family plus some extra. If you would prefer to provide a dessert, please let Chris H in the office know.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE

Please consider if you can fill a Christmas shoe box for traumatised children in other lands. The boxes will be collected on Tuesday 12th November. Please, no toothpaste or sweets (including chocolate) but do add hand-knitted toys or small things such as makeup, deodorants etc, stationery and small items of clothing. Everything needs to be new, or as good as new. More details available online at <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/>

EVANGELISM CONFERENCE

10th October, 10am - 4.15pm, Holy Trinity Platt, speakers Randy Newman and Rico Tice. Theme - "Evangelism Reimagined" looking at conversational and relational evangelism that works for the 21st Century. Entry £20 / £10 concessions. For more info. visit: <https://www.evangelism-conference.org.uk/> **To be part of a group booking from St John's, contact Richard by today.**

SEWING SKILLS NEEDED!

Some of our altar cloths are looking the worse for wear, and need some mending. If you are able to patch holes or reattach lace, please let the office know.

YOUNG @ HEART Monday 14th October 2 p.m. in the Church Centre.

Julia Cawson, who is a Magistrate is our speaker this month. Her talk is entitled "On the Bench". It will be interesting to hear what actually happens in a Magistrate's Court. We look forward to seeing any retired people at our

meeting. The meeting will be followed by refreshments and finish at about 3.30 p.m. Chris & Diana Jones

THE BETHLEHEM EXPERIENCE: STABLE TRAIL

This Christmas we will be holding an interactive walk through the Christmas story for families and friends on the afternoon of 30th November, the same weekend as the Knutsford lights switch-on and Christmas market. If you would like to be involved, please speak to Cathy Johnson (07984 620012). More details to follow, or check the St John's Family Facebook page.

MEN IN THE ARENA: Wednesday 13th November 7.30pm

Rob Parsons and Gerrit Bantjes talk on facing life's challenges and making the best of opportunities that come along the way - including friendship, finance, faith, family, character and career. Gerrit is a former paratrooper and fitness coach for Cardiff Rugby Club. To be part of a group booking, see Richard with your £7 in cash. **Deadline for group booking - Sunday 13 Oct.** Individual bookings at: cff.org.uk/inthearena/ / Tel: 029 2081 0800. Venue: Mary Magdalen Church, 42 Moss Lane, Sale, M33 6GD.

CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

Next meeting is on Thursday 10th October in the Church Centre at 7.30pm. After a short period of worship, SHARON MAYER will be telling us about her work with the AGRICULTURAL CHAPLAINCY among the Farming Community in Cheshire. New members are always very welcome – or – just come along to hear an informative talk which should be of interest to us all. LD

THE CHARITY OF MARJORIE HURST

The Charity owns 10 alms-houses in Silk Mill St, in the centre of Knutsford. There is one alms-house that has just become available. It is a one- bedroom ground floor flat suitable for an older person, or a couple in need who are living in Knutsford. Please let the office know if you are interested.

OMF INTERNATIONAL UK

There will be a North Area Prayer Gathering for OMF on Saturday 26th October from 10-30-3.30 at Fulwood Free Methodist Church, Preston PR2 3LT. There is also a program for children aged 4-11. More details available from <https://omf.org.uk/events/north-area-prayer-gathering/>

"DEEPER" - THE PRESENCE, PEOPLE AND KINGDOM OF JESUS

Speaker: Rev. Steve James, recently retired vicar of Holy Trinity Platt. Dates: Over two evenings this week, Mon. 7th + Tue. 8th October, 7.30-9.30pm. Venue: St Andrew's Cheadle Hulme, SK8 5ET. With refreshments and bookstore. Free entry.

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

10 th Oct	Church Fellowship
11 th Oct	Eureka Weekend Away
14 th Oct	Young@Heart
18 th Oct	Cornerstone
19 th Oct	Illusionist Evening
20 th Oct	Guest Service SJK
23 rd Oct	Home Communion
28 th Oct	Half term
2 nd Nov	Northern Women's Convention
6 th Nov	Prayer Gathering