

Mon
8th
Feb

Pray for our schools, staff and pupils, that learning may continue well through lockdown and all may be encouraged.

Tue | 2.00pm Toft Fellowship via Zoom
9th | 7.45pm Service Station via Zoom
Feb

Praise God for organisations that reach out to prisoners and their families to befriend and support.

Wed
10th
Feb

Pray for all those seriously impacted by Covid, particularly children, in their education, relationships and mental health.

Thu | Youth Group Bible Studies via
11th | Zoom
Feb | 6pm Years 6-9
7.45pm Years 10-13

Praise God for the contribution made over centuries by immigrants to our land, especially those who have blessed us through their Christian faith.

Fri
12th
Feb

Pray for the children exploited round the world in war zones and for sexual purposes, that they will receive the care they need.

Sat
13th
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Praise God for the many opportunities we have to learn, develop our gifts and skills and be part of our community.

Sunday 14th February (Sunday before Lent)

Knutsford 10.15am: Joint YouTube service
and Toft 7.30pm: Youth Zoom meeting
for Years 6-13

Praise be to the Lord, to God our Saviour who daily bears our burdens. Our God is a God who saves; from the Sovereign LORD comes escape from death.

Sunday 7th February 2021 (2nd Sunday before Lent)

The Collect

Lord God, you know that we do not put our trust in anything that we do: mercifully defend us by your power against all adversity, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

St Johns Knutsford

and

St Johns Toft

Moses

Leader: Tom Hollingsbee Preacher: Nigel Atkinson
Exodus 3: 1-10 Hebrews 11: 23-29

Our live-streamed service is broadcast at 10.15am on YouTube.

Our URL is

<https://www.youtube.com/stjohnsknutsford>

Everyone is invited to the Zoom after-service coffee-time at **11.30**. We also have a family Zoom at **11.15** for families with primary-aged-children. Email the office for the log-in details if you haven't received them.

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 Vicar Nigel (01565 632834) or our Associate Vicar Tom (01565 755160 or 01565 631606)

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Days off: Fridays: Helen & Tom; Saturdays: Nigel.

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED

Christianity Explored will start on **Thursday 25th February** at 8pm. It is officially a seven-week course, but we will run up to Easter and work out details for any remaining material nearer the time. It will be online via Zoom, so please email the office for the link. Christianity Explored is an introduction to the Christian faith - open to anyone who is interested, with a short video, a Bible passage, and followed by discussion. No prior knowledge of anything is required! Regular church attenders are very welcome and it's fine to join if you have already completed the course any number of times. No pressure to speak, sing or pray but a perfect opportunity to ask any burning questions.

CHURCH SERVICES

Due to the current situation, it is in everyone's best interests to stop meeting together in church for a temporary period. We are grateful that our services can continue to be live streamed on YouTube. As soon as the situation changes, we will let you know, via this notice sheet, email and the church website.

KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH SERMONS

Are you a member of SJK or Toft but don't have access to YouTube? We have a facility to offer if you would like to listen to sermons on your phone. You can ring 01565 743743, at any time, for the cost of a local phone call, and listen to the sermons that have been preached since lockdown began. They are added to each week. There are clear instructions at the beginning to tell you what to do. If you would prefer a DVD of the whole service, please contact the office, as we produce them too. They are being distributed to church family and local care homes on request. Thank you to the people who are involved in enabling these initiatives. Sermons are, of course, still available on the church website and as podcasts.

HOPE CENTRAL

At the moment, Hope Central have lower stocks of tinned ham, Spam and toilet rolls. Food is still the priority, but if you want to add shower gel, shampoo or household/laundry cleaning items these are also much appreciated. Thank you for your continued generosity. Financial contributions are also very welcome, to enable

the development of other support services we plan to offer in the near future.

LOCKDOWN RESTRICTIONS

We regret that Church Hill Café will remain closed until further notice. The church office is open from 9 until 12.30 weekdays, but is operating remotely. Phone calls are being diverted and emails answered normally, so please keep in touch during office hours.

CHURCH FAMILY

Although we are limited in our ability to see each other, please be aware of those people known to you who may be unwell or living alone. A phone call can make all the difference to someone's day.

NORTHWEST GOSPEL PARTNERSHIP

The annual conference can't happen as normal this year, due to Covid. It is being held online during February, and is based on Philippians. Booking is necessary, so look at <https://northwestpartnership.com/events/nwgp-events/app/event/224/title/Annual-Conference> for more details. The conference is for any church member and it is hoped that it will be a great encouragement to many.

UNA HOLT

We are sad to report the death of Una Holt, last Sunday at Tabley House. Her funeral will be at Altrincham Crematorium on Monday 15th February at 12.45pm. As usual, it will be by invitation only, due to Covid restrictions.