

Today's Services
Sunday 2nd May 2021 (Easter 5)

The Collect

O Lord, from whom all good things come, grant to us your servants that by your holy inspiration we may think good thoughts and by your merciful guidance put them into practice through our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen

St John's Knutsford
Today if you Hear His Voice

10.15am

Led by: Helen Eccles
Deuteronomy 32: 1-9

Morning Worship

Preacher: Tom Hollingsbee
Philippians 2: 12-18

YouTube link:

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

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.

Join us for after-service coffee, on Zoom, at **11.45**.
(Note new time!) The link is available via email.

St John's Toft
Be Like Jesus

10.15am

Led by: Thain Flowers
Luke 14: 7-11

Morning Worship

Preacher: Nigel Atkinson
Philippians 2: 1-11

Do join us for an after-service Zoom chat at about 11.30.
The link is sent via email.

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.

Mon
3rd
May

BANK HOLIDAY
Office closed

Pray for the health services struggling with the pandemic, particularly in India, that other countries to support them generously and they may have the resources they need.

Tue | 2.30pm Toft Fellowship
4th | 7.45pm Service Station
May

Praise God for the successful organisation of vaccines in the UK, and for the people who have administered them.

Wed
5th
May

Pray for all those who have been adversely and indirectly affected by the pandemic, especially those waiting for medical treatment, that they may receive the help they need in good time.

Thu | Youth Bible Studies @SJK
6th | 6.00pm Years 6-9
May | 7.45pm Years 10-13

Praise God for our young people, and those who teach them about Jesus, and pray that their love for Him will grow throughout their lives.

Fri
7th
May

Pray for all those with mental health issues, that they may be supported by friends and family, and receive the help they need.

Sat | From Toft Plant Fair
8th | 2.30pm
May

Praise God for Christian ministries showing the love of Christ to those facing difficult circumstances in all walks of life.

Sunday 9th May (Easter 6)

Knutsford 10.15am Morning Worship

Toft 10.15am Holy Communion

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

CHURCH SERVICES

Live services have resumed at both churches. Please contact the church office to book for either church each week, **by noon on Thursdays**, or earlier if possible. As we return to church the Knutsford services will continue to be live-streamed for those who need to stay at home.

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 has lower stocks of tinned tomatoes, tinned pulses, household cleaning items, crisps, full-fat and semi-skimmed UHT milk, tinned rice pudding and sweets. All financial contributions are gratefully received as well, to enable the development of other support services planned for the near future.

LOCKDOWN RESTRICTIONS

We regret that Church Hill Café will remain closed until restrictions are lifted on 17th May. The church office is now open as normal from 9 until 12.30 on weekdays. If you need to visit, please wear a mask and observe social distancing.

DAILY HOPE PHONE LINE

DailyHope, a free national telephone line, offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of the phone. The line – which is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044 – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind; to provide comfort and spiritual nourishment to the most isolated in our society. It is free.

ELECTORAL ROLL

If you attend either church regularly, and are not on the electoral roll, please contact the office for a

form. We would love you to be an active part of our church family.

KESWICK CONVENTION

Bookings are being taken now for this year's convention. You can book to attend in person, or watch from your accommodation, or watch from home, and much of it will be livestreamed. If you normally go to Keswick but you're not this year, they would be glad if you would let them know. See their website for further details.

BOOKING AT KNUTSFORD

If you have a regular booking at St Johns Knutsford, but there is a week when you know you can't come, please let the office know at the beginning of that week if possible, so that the place can be offered to someone else. We are fully booked every week. Many thanks.

LORRAINE & IAN ALBISTON would like to thank the church family for all the cards, message and flowers received following the recent death of Lorraine's Mum.

TOFT GARDEN SOCIETY PLANT SALE

On Saturday 8th May the Tatton Garden Society is holding a plant sale at Toft Parish Church. There will be a good selection of plants at reasonable prices! Plants will be sold in round £s. In order to comply with Covid regulations, cash only please, and no change will be given but money will be dropped into a bucket. (Cards cannot be accepted.) Please come in groups no larger than 2, and there will be a one-way system. Social distancing must be observed and masks need to be worn. It is necessary to book a slot through Colin Hurrell on 01565 633300 or colin@hurrell.org. Slots are every 4 minutes and there are plenty after 2.30pm. Tea, coffee and cakes will be available outside.