

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Morning Worship
	Reading:	'Firm Foundations' – Luke 24: 13-27
	11.30am	Holy Communion
	6.30pm	No service
Mon	9.30- noon	Coffee Morning at SJ's
	8.00pm	Prayer Meeting at SJ's
Tue	6.15pm	Cru 2 (Urban Saints) (7-11s) at the Assembly Rooms
	7.30pm	Club 2000 (11- 13s) meet at Coney Hill Baptist Church
Wed	9.30am	Open Door for mothers & children at SJ's
	1:00-7:00pm	CareerCafe at SJ's
Thur	7.30pm	14 Plus – Venue as advised
Fri	10am – noon	Hearing Aid Servicing Clinic at SJ's

NEXT SUNDAY – 22nd January

	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Parish Communion
	6.30pm	Churches Together United Service at St John's



THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

How did Elisha help one of the prophet's retrieve his axe-head that had fallen into the river?

Read 2 Kings 6: 1 - 7

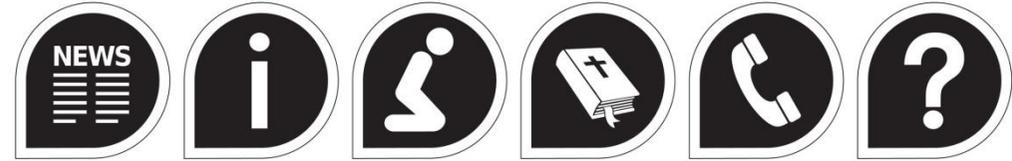
MONDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETINGS

8-9PM @ SJ'S

Meetings in January will be on 16th and 30th – all welcome. Prayer requests and any answers to prayer can be emailed to Sally Munns at sally@munnz.plus.com Thanks

St John's
west wickham

15th January 2017
2nd Sunday of Epiphany



FIRM FOUNDATIONS

If you find the Old Testament intimidating, obscure, troubling...all of the above...then don't worry, you're not alone. Many people do. And it's no great surprise – the first part of our bibles is made up of 39 books, of differing styles and genres, with large sections seeming remote from present-day concerns.

So we're starting a new teaching series this week, surveying the main contours of this significant chunk of God's word.

We'll track several key themes to help us navigate the history of God and His people. These include Story, History, Religion, Prophecy, Wisdom and the Voice of God. This isn't just a series about increasing our knowledge. Yes, we hope to gain a better understanding of the OT, but more significantly, we want to encounter the God of salvation history and see afresh His unfolding purposes as they build towards Jesus.

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WELCOME

If you're a visitor this morning and wish to find out more about what goes on then do introduce yourself to one of our leadership team. They can connect you with people and groups in our church family. You can also find out more from our website.



THIS MONTH'S PRAYER FOCUS

- God's Vision for St John's in 2017;
- Progressing the Vision for SJ's.
- On-going discussions about a possible premises on the All Saints Land.

Please note the subjects for the next 3 months listed on the flier. Please commit them to prayer, even if you are unable to make the meetings.



STARTING THIS WEEK: WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Services in West Wickham

Wed 18th	8pm	Coney Hill Baptist
Thurs 19 th	8pm	St Mary's
Fri 20 th	8pm	St Mark's
Sat 21 st	10am	Emmanuel
Sun 22nd	6.30pm	St John's
Mon 23 rd	8pm	Methodist

Tues 24th 8pm West Wickham & Shirley Baptist



BROWNIES

Any 7 - 10 year old girls interested in joining Brownies?

A few spaces have become available in Sarah Morgan's Brownie Pack, which meets Wednesday evenings at the Assembly Rooms. If you know of any girls who may be interested please pass the message on. We can be contacted on coneybrownies01@gmail.com or 07710262678.



VISION 2017

Last week we focused on the course St John's might take in the future, and some of the questions around that direction. You are encouraged to re-engage in the 'double-listening' of paying attention to one another and God, as we look to discern to what God might be drawing us. There are some questions which have been distributed through home groups and which you might like to think about individually. You can access them by going to our website and clicking on the Vision 2017 slide on the home page. Please let Jon have your thoughts.



CHILDREN & YOUTH QUESTIONNAIRES

We are starting the distribution of questionnaires this week for leaders, parents and young people as part of our review of our C&Y activities. Please take some time over these questionnaires, and give as full a response as you can. Please return them to Margaret in the office or in the box at church. If it's more convenient, there is an online version of the parents questionnaire, which can be accessed via the link on our website or by going to:

<http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/S51AR/>



ANY CLOTHES TO DONATE?

'Community Table' (a project by Southcroft Church, Mitcham) are looking for donations of men's clean jeans and T-shirts for those in need. The New Year is a great excuse to clear out your wardrobe (or your husband's), and even better it will be greatly received by someone that needs them. Please contact Peter Churcher if you'd like to donate or know more.



THANK YOU

Our Christmas collections came to

almost £1,000 (including Gift Aid) to be divided between the Church Urban Fund and Medair. Thank you to everyone who contributed.



PRAYERS

Please pray for:

- Steve Read working with Ambassador's Football, and SJ's – our Mission Focus this month;
- All the churches across West Wickham, for their individual work for God's kingdom, as well as our joint mission;
- God's blessing as we start our new 'Firm Foundations' series, that indeed He would use it to lay strong foundations for our faith;
- Our Worship Leaders in all that they do for us on a Sunday Morning and for their continuing discussions about the future vision for our worship life as a church;
- Home Group Leaders as they continue to encourage the people in their care;
- Team Leaders as they look to co-ordinate the life of their teams;
- Our government, and Christian MPs, as they continue to negotiate all the challenges they face in leadership.