

This Week

Sunday 8am-1pm Sunday worship.
Monday 9:30am Churchyard Team, 7pm
Bellringing, 8pm Mandolin Monday.
Tuesday 12noon Jazz, 7pm Accordion Band.
Wednesday 9am Cleaning, 12pm Words and
Music, 1:30pm Knitting group.
Thursday 9:30am Morning Prayer, 12noon Jazz,
6:30pm HYB.
Friday 10am Let's Go, 12noon Jazz.
Saturday Grundon Room Hire.

Services:

Early Morning: 8am, 8:30am
Mid-Morning: 9:30am Songs of Praise
10-11am Welcome, Worship,
Word & Communion
Late Morning: 11:45am, 12pm
with lunch @ 12:30pm

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The Link 

Sunday 26th January 2020

Welcome to St. John's

We hope you enjoy worshipping with us.

Theme: Nicodemus

Readings: John3:1-21

3 Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. **2** He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him." **3** Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again."

4 "How can someone be born when they are old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!" **5** Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. **6** Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. **7** You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.'

8 The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit." **9** "How can this be?" Nicodemus asked. **10** "You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus, "and do you not understand these things? **11** Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony.

12 I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? **13** No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man. **14** Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, **15** that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him."

16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. **17** For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

18 Whoever believes in him is not condemned,

but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

¹⁹ This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰ Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. ²¹ But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.

Question/Point to Ponder: What has God been saying to you recently? (. . .and if you need to, how can you find out?)

Today-

Coffee is served by: Christine & Michelle

Prayer Ministry available in the Prayer Chapel during mid-morning communion.

O Lord My God

O Lord my God.
Teach my heart this day
where and how to find you.
You have made me and re-made me,
and you have bestowed on me
all the good things I possess,
and still I do not know you.
I have not yet done
that for which I was made.
Teach me to seek you,
for I cannot seek you
unless you teach me,
or find you
unless you show yourself to me.
Let me seek you in my desire;
let me desire you in my seeking.
Let me find you by loving you;
let me love you when I find you.

A Prayer for Quiet Confidence

O GOD of peace, who hast taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved,
in quietness and in confidence shall be our strength;
By the might of thy Spirit lift us, we pray thee, to thy presence, where we may be still and know that thou art God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. (Isaiah 30. Psalm 46.)
JW Suter

Lebanon

Lebanon has been a refuge for the poorest and most devastated refugees from neighbouring countries like Syria and Iraq over the years. But it is now going through its own times of turmoil and trouble.

Pray for father God to restore political stability to Lebanon and to preserve the relative religious freedom that exists there so that the church can continue to be a refuge for those who love Jesus.

ECO News



Making a start: A new year can be a time to reflect and ask God what we can do as an individual to help our world. At home it could be the time to clear clutter, of renewal and tidying up. Check the possibilities for recycling or find other ways of passing on unwanted items, can they be repaired or put to good use. Look at local possibilities. Do you need to replace things, for example could that old chair be repaired given a new lease of life, painted or recovered. When buying something new check its origin and the materials its made from. We need to think of generations to come now, will our possessions cause problems in the future. 'The flourishing of the earth and its future are foundational to the mission of God'-from Operation Noah website

General News

Kings Kids returns Sunday 2nd February from 10:30am at St Andrews Park, John Locke Academy Bader Way UB10 0FW.

Curtain needed Do you have a plain green curtain that you don't need?

Alan is looking for a mid-sized or large curtain, that is roughly grass coloured or a darker green. Please email Alan if you can help. Thank you.

Hillingdon Climate Action Launch event

7.30pm on Tuesday 28th January 2020 at Christchurch, Uxbridge.

World Day of Prayer

Volunteer needed– Would anyone be interested in helping to organise and join the team. There is a rehearsal on 27th February, If you would like to help out and represent St John's please see Nikki for more details.

World Day of Prayer will be held on 6th March 2020 at 2pm at Salvation Army, 125 Uxbridge Rd. Hillingdon. UB10 0LQ

Theme for January 2020: The Word of God is Living and Active.

26th January– Nicodemus.

Theme for February 2020: The Word of God is Living and Active.

2nd February– The Woman at the Well.
9th February– The Man Born Blind.
16th February– The Good Shepherd.
23rd February– Jesus Raises Lazarus.
26th February– Ash Wednesday.



**Welcome
to St. John's!**

Welcome & Communication
Card

If you are new and visiting please fill in a welcome card and post in the red box on the table near the café area.