

# All Hallows News



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## Back to 'Normal'

On Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> we have a Back to School Sunday service, for we think the first time. It is an important time of the year for many people, whether they be students of all ages or staff working in our schools and the education system at large. So, we want to thank God for them and pray for those who are going back to school.

However, it is not just those who are going back to school who will be settling back into a familiar routine. Parents who have been juggling work and family responsibilities over the summer, grandparents who have had more childcare responsibilities and those who have had a quieter time because so much of life slows down in August, will all be going back to a more 'normal' routine in September.

It is the same for so many of our activities in church too. People have had a well earned break over the summer, but everything kicks off again and we serve Jesus together.

But, we need to be careful in how we think about these things. It could be very easy to think that we serve Jesus at our church activities, but then forget that we do so in our places of work, at school, in caring for people, in doing whatever it is that we do in a normal week.

It is good for us to always be thinking about how we serve and honour the Lord through the task that is in front of us in that moment.

The apostle Paul put it like this in one of his letters to the church in Corinth:

"So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God." (1 Cor 10:31)

At that point in the letter Paul was talking about how people relate with each other, how they share hospitality and how they support each other in their weaknesses. But the point is a very general and wide reaching one.

Whatever we do, however it is that we interact with people, in everything in life we are called to "do it all for the glory of God."

We are to do everything well and treat people well as God calls us to do. As we do that we bring him glory.

We are to do everything to the best of the ability that God has given us (without being inhibited by perfectionism) and so we give God glory.

In the coming months we will be looking at other ways that people serve the Lord and honouring them too. So let's all "do it all for the glory of God."

God bless,



# The Green Zone

This month's tip is to switch your light bulbs to LED lights, which use a lot less power for the same amount of light as traditional light bulbs and usually last for significantly longer.

Even fluorescent tubes have LED alternatives now.



#### **SEPTEMBER 2023**

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Back to School** 10:00 Morning Family Service 6:30 Evening Communion Service

Monday 4<sup>th</sup>

10:00 Zoom Prayers

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> 9:00-1:30 The Light Café 1:00-1:15 Pause for Thought 7:00-8:30 NO Youth Club

**Sunday 10**<sup>th</sup> 10:00 Morning Service with Sunday School

6:30 Evening Service

Monday II<sup>th</sup>
10:00 Zoom Prayers

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> 9:00-1:30 The Light Café 10:00-11:30 Toddlers 1:00-1:15 Pause for Thought 7:00-8:30 Youth Club

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> - Overseas Missions** 10:00 Morning Service with Sunday School 6:30 Evening Service

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> 10:00 Zoom Prayers 7:30 PCC

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> 9:00-1:30 Light Café 1:00-1:15 Pause for Thought 7:00-8:30 Youth Club

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> 6:30-8:00 Prayer & Bible Journaling
Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> - Climate Sunday

10:00 Morning Service with Sunday School 6:30 Evening Service

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> 10:00 Zoom Prayers

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>
9:00-1:30 The Light Café
10:00-11:30 Toddlers
1:00-1:30 BCP Holy Communion
7:00-8:30 Youth Club

**Thursday 28**<sup>th</sup> 7:30-9:00 Social Night

As well as these events, Life Groups meet during the week—to join one of these small groups, speak to Paul or Barbara.



The 'Fisherman's Tale' Story Trail will be coming to All Hallows in the first 2 weeks of October (this was delayed from the summer). We will be welcoming children and staff from local primary schools and there will also be opportunity for people from our church and our regular weekly groups to look around the trail too. It is from  $2^{nd}$  to  $13^{th}$  October and we will be looking for volunteers to welcome / provide children with drinks etc.

In September we are starting a new **Prayer & Bible Journaling Group**. It will take place on the **1**<sup>st</sup> **and 3**<sup>rd</sup> **Thursdays of a month**, from 6:30-8:00pm in the church lounge. The first group is on 21<sup>st</sup> September.

Use your creative spark to help you to pray and to think about what the Bible says to us.

This is a group that is aimed at adults. Those who are younger are welcome to attend, but they must come with a responsible adult as 'childcare' is not provided for anybody under the age of 18.





For a number of years now we have gone along to the **Ladybridge Park Residents Club** just before Christmas to lead some Christmas carol singing there. We are planning to do that again this year, but with a little twist to normal. Instead of us taking our own choir to the Club our hope is to create a choir from residents of the estate in the months before Christmas and have them perform instead - maybe with them coming to perform at our own Carols by Candlelight service.

We also have a plan to hold a **prayer meeting at the Club**, where Christians from any churches can join us and we can pray through any prayer request that residents from the estate pass on to us. That prayer meeting will be **7:30pm on Monday 25**<sup>th</sup> **September**.

### I'm New to All Hallows

Over the past year or so we have had a number of people either come along to All Hallows for the first time, come back to All Hallows or come along to a service more often than they did before. We are so delighted that you have done so because we are always better off having new and other people around us. You strengthen our church and community.

If you would consider yourself to be new then one of the best things that you can do is to join a **Life Group** at the church. These groups are small groups of people who learn together and 'do life' together. This is a group of people who will check up to make sure that each other is OK and offer support if that's helpful. Speak to Paul Cumming or Barbara Forrest if you would like to join a Life Group.

# Special services coming up...

This part of the year is a time when we have a number of special church services that take place. You might want to get some of these in your diary now (and they even go as far as the big event at the end of December that we probably don't want to mention yet):

3<sup>rd</sup> September - Back to School Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September - Climate Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October - Harvest Sunday

15<sup>th</sup> October - CAP Sunday

12th November - Remembrance Sunday &

Service to Remember

17<sup>th</sup> December - Nativity Service & Carol Service

24th December - Christingle Service

25<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Day Celebration

# Regular Events

# Messy Toddlers

Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 10-11.30am All 0-5s + their parents/carers welcome

The Light Café is open throughout the session for drinks & snacks

# ALL HALLOWS Youth Group

**WEDNESDAYS 7-8.30PM** 



For Year 7 upwards, every week in term-time.

Free—but bring money for tuck!

# All Hallows Social Night

Last Thursday of every month 7.30–9.00pm

Join us for a relaxed evening of games, conversation & fun: Pool, air hockey, table tennis, board games, drinks, cake & more

Everyone Welcome

For more information, contact All Hallows on 0161 428 9121 / allhallows.cheadle@gmail.com All Hallows Church, Councillor Lane, SK8 2JG

# The Light Café

is open 9am-1:30pm every Wednesday in term time.

We serve drinks, breakfast, lunch and homemade cakes—plus there's always someone for you to chat to if you'd like some company.

If it's not a Messy Toddlers week, there'll be play equipment out in the café for pre-schoolers.

We'd love to welcome you in!

## Prayer & Bible Journaling Group

6:30-8:00pm on 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month



Meet together, pray together, share life together—join a small group today!

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WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER

# New or Visiting?

#### First Time Here?

If it's your first time here then welcome! It's great to have you with us. Here are a few short notes that you might find helpful.

**Relax -** You're our guest, so make yourself at home. If there is anything that you would like to know then ask one of the Welcome Team by the front door.

We don't expect guests to give - For those who are members or regular attenders there is an offering plate at the back, but we don't ask our guests for any money.

**We have a Loop System -** Switch your hearing aid to T-coil. You might find it useful to sit towards the middle.

**Hang around afterwards** - Come and join us for a cup of tea or fresh coffee, and for a chat—drinks are served in the hall and we usually gather in the lounge to chat.

**Prayer -** If you would like someone to pray with you — either prayer for you or for someone you know — there are people who would love to do so after the service. Please make yourself known to the service leader.

Children & Youth - Once a month, the whole church worships together. On other weeks, there is a Sunday School for primary aged children and a group for high-school age young people. One of the Welcome Team can show you where these groups meet. For pre-school age children, there are green tables at the side of church with activities. Please don't be embarrassed if your children make any noise—they are welcome here and are part of the service, too! All our children and youth leaders have DBS checks and have undergone safeguarding training.

### **Next Steps**

e are all on a journey through life, and our faith is no different. Depending upon where you are on your journey with God here are some 'Next Steps' you could take:

#### **COMMIT YOUR LIFE TO CHRIST**

Commit to follow Jesus today!

## **RE-COMMIT TO CHRIST**

It's never too late for a fresh start with faith.

#### **DECLARE YOUR FAITH THROUGH BAPTISM**

If you feel you've made a commitment to God but have never been baptised, then this could be a great step for you.

#### **JOIN A LIFE GROUP**

If you're not in one, there are a number of groups that meet in homes throughout the week to get to know each other better, look at the Bible and pray together.

#### **BE PART OF THE MISSION**

There are lots of ways you can use your gifts to serve God, his Church and the wider community. Speak to one of the church team to find out more.

All Hallows:

A church where we:

Love God

Love each other

Love the people of Cheadle

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