

NEXT SUNDAY - 14th MAY 2017

10am Open Door worship service with children/young people's groups

THIS WEEK

Mon	8pm	Connect group with Karen
Tues	9.15am	Staff prayers and meeting
	7.30pm	Connect group with Mavis
	7.30pm	Connect group with Vera
Thurs	9.15am	Staff prayers
Fri	9.30am	St Paul's Toddler group
		Part 1 Interview Process for Children's & Families' Community Worker
	4.45pm	Adventure Time cell group for those in Years 7-9
Sat 13th - Sun 14th May		Part 2 Interview process for Children's & Families' Community Worker post

FUTURE DATES

Sat 20th - Sun 21st May	Interview weekend for Intern 2017/18 post
Thursday 25th May	8pm Ascension Day Holy Communion in the historic church
Sunday 28th May	10am Open Door - All Age Worship on the Ascension
Sunday 4th June	10am Open Door - Pentecost Praise with Holy Communion for all ages as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit
Thursday 8th June	Church Centre in use as a General Election polling station

SCIENCE CAFÉ COMES to the ST PAUL'S CENTRE

On Saturday 24th June and Saturday 22 July (10.30am to Noon) children and young people in Years 3 to 9 are invited to come with an adult to explore and enjoy science with biblical links. For more information contact Mavis Crispin.

CONTACTS:

Vicar: Revd Nicholas Pye (Day off Saturday)

Associate Vicar: Revd Mavis Crispin
(part-time, working usually on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday)

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Welcome to



7 MAY 2017

We extend a **warm welcome** to all who have come to worship. If you are a newcomer, we would encourage you to introduce yourself to the service leader or a member of our welcome team. To help us view **giving** as integral to the Christian life, we usually take an offering during our worship. If you are a visitor, do feel able to pass the offering basket on without contributing.

10am Open Door service with children/young people's groups and Holy Communion for all ages

Theme: The witness of the apostle Paul to the Resurrection

Bible readings: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11, 50-58 (page 1156)

Visiting Preacher: Revd David Brown, Discipleship Pastor
at St Barnabas Woodside Park

Prayer for today (4th Sunday of Easter) *Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

Please speak to the clergy if you'd like **prayer** for something or someone. There are **toilets** (including an accessible one with baby changing facilities) in the St Paul's Centre as well as in the foyer of the historic church.

BIBLE VERSE FOR 2017

We have chosen Jeremiah 29:11 as a theme for 2017:

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future”.

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*Becoming a vibrant and diverse community that is
rooted in Jesus, growing together and overflowing with God's love.*

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER TOPICS

- For peace and security as the French people go to the polls today and for the election of a President who will serve the common good for all inhabitants.
- The Lord to have his hand on the process of recruiting a Children's & Families' Community Worker and Intern so that we will be able to make good appointments.
- The Stoker family, our mission partners in Peru, as they settle into their new home in Cusco and to know the Lord's blessing and protection day by day.
- Nicholas, our vicar, to be refreshed in body, mind and spirit and to be renewed in his faith as he take a three day retreat, starting this evening.
- the Lord to bring hope and healing to those in various kinds of need: the sick, the dying, the bereaved, those battling addiction, and those going through relationship difficulties.

REFLECTING on TODAY'S BIBLE READING

www.wordlive.org has a great range of resources to enable further reflection on today's text. Just enter 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 into the search option on the homepage.

NEW PCC MEMBERS and OFFICERS

The membership and officers of the newly elected Parochial Church Council (the church's leadership body) are: Jan Appleyard, Maggie Barnes (Churchwarden and Vice-Chair), Jim Bradley, Liz Cohen, Mavis Crispin, Karen Fox, (Churchwarden), Kathy Gilbert, Constantin Husti-Radulet (PCC Secretary), Paul Ilori, Nicholas Pye (Chair), Punita Shah (Deanery Synod representative), Ian Stewartson (Treasurer) and Margaret Whitlock (Deanery Synod representative). The standing committee, which acts for the PCC between meetings, consists of Constantin, Karen, Maggie, Mavis, Margaret and Nicholas (chair).

GENERAL ELECTION PRAYER

Lord, we give thanks for the privileges and responsibilities of living in a democratic society. Give us wisdom to play our part at election time, that, through the exercise of each vote, your Kingdom may come closer. Protect us from the sins of despair and cynicism, guard us against the idols of false utopias and strengthen us to make politics a noble calling that serves the common good of all. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

ELECTRICAL INSPECTION

The once-every-five-years inspection of the church's electrics took place recently. The system passed and only a couple of minor repairs were needed. The cost was £410.40.

HISTORIC CHURCH - RAINWATER GOODS PROJECT

On Thursday we received a faculty from the Diocese of London giving us permission to proceed with the project. On Friday we opened the tender 'bids' from a number of contractors. These are being evaluated prior to our awarding a contract for the work.

QUOTE to CONSIDER

"The resurrection completes the inauguration of God's kingdom ... It is the decisive event demonstrating that God's kingdom really has been launched on earth as it is in heaven. The message of Easter is that God's new world has been unveiled in Jesus Christ and that you're now invited to belong to it." NT Wright (b.1948) leading British New Testament scholar, Pauline theologian, and former Bishop of Durham.

THIS MONTH'S WORLD MISSION FOCUS: THE STOKER FAMILY

Dave was a member of St Paul's until 2004 when he went to serve as a CMS UK mission-partner with the Anglican Church of Peru. He married Kay, a teacher, in 2008 and they've two children - Joshua and Emily. In February 2013 they went to work as LatinLink mission partners with the Evangelical Church of Peru. They're based in Cusco where Dave is engaged in youth-work and teaching on the use of technology in Christian mission and Kay is working with children and families. We've pledged to support them through prayer and by giving them at least £2,000 a year. For more information, please contact Mavis Crispin.

REDUCING our CARBONFOOTPRINT

In 2008 we changed our electricity supplier to www.goodenergy.co.uk which generates renewable energy. This is part of our commitment to caring for creation and means that our electricity is 100% green and produces no carbon emissions. *Shrinking the Footprint* is the Church of England's national environmental campaign. This supports churches in reducing their carbon footprint. See more at: www.churchcare.co.uk/shrinking-the-footprint

REMEMBERING THOSE WHO DIED in the FIRST WORLD WAR

2nd Lieutenant Cyril **NEWMAN**, aged 24, N. Staffs. Regiment 9th Battalion (28/4/1917). Cyril was born in Finchley and his family successively lived in Lichfield Grove, Hendon Lane and Long Lane. He and his two brothers were baptised at St Paul's. His father was a churchwarden of St Paul's and died in office in 1913. Cyril was a bank clerk. He enlisted with the Queen's Westminster Rifles and was invalided home after the Battle of Hooge in 1915. He returned to active service and fought in the Battle of the Somme. He married Ragnhild Torp (1892-1976) a month or so before he died of wounds in the Battle of Arras.

Stoker 1st Class Thomas **DISBREY**, aged 29, H.M.S. Derwent (2/5/1917). Thomas was born in Finchley and had ten younger siblings. He initially worked as a painter but enlisted in the Navy in 1910. He married Emily Tompkins in 1910 and they had three children, two of whom died in infancy. He was one of 58 officers and men who died after his ship was struck by a mine off Le Havre, France. At the time of Thomas' death, his parents were living at 119 Squires Lane, Finchley, and his wife was living at 23, Bell Vue Road, Hendon.

Captain Ernest **HAMMOND**, aged 27, Honourable Artillery Company (3/5/1917). Ernest was born in Islington and had two siblings. He was employed as a Land Surveyor's Assistant and lived at 5 Dollis Road, Finchley. He was mentioned in despatches three times and won a Military Cross in recognition of his "conspicuous gallantry and devotion". He was killed in action at the Battle of Arras, probably in the second attack on Bullecourt.

Private Thomas **TAYLOR**, aged 29, Australian Imperial Force, 17th Battalion (3/5/17). Thomas was born in New South Wales, Australia, and had two siblings. On 5th May 1917 he was reported missing in action on the Western Front, France. Ten months later, a court of enquiry decided that he had been killed in action. His connection to Finchley is unknown.

Lance Corporal Daniel **BATCHELOR**, aged 27, Royal Engineer Services Inland Water Transport (4/5/1917). Daniel was born in Stoke Newington and had four siblings. By 1911 his family were living at 5 Chislehurst Avenue, Finchley and he was employed as a railway clerk at Euston Station. He married Elise Simon on 20th January 1917. He died 3.5 months later en route to Egypt when the troopship he was in sank off the coast of Savona, Italy.