

WELCOME TO ST STEPHEN'S SHOTTERMILL

We are delighted to welcome you to our services and activities. We hope that you will feel at home with us and that your relationship with God will grow deeper. If you are new and want to be kept in touch, please fill in one of our 'Hello' cards.

PURPOSE AND VALUES

Our aim is that: *"Honouring God, following the example of Jesus and sharing his love in our community"* is at the heart of all that we do. Following on from this, our purpose can be summarised as being a church and people that seek to grow deeper in 3-dimensions: **UP** (Loving and worshipping God); **IN** (Loving and serving our church family) & **OUT** (Loving and serving our neighbour; Witnessing; Seeking Justice; Caring for creation). This 3-fold purpose is underpinned by our values: (i) Centred around Jesus; (ii) Building right relationships; (iii) Being welcoming and open to all; (iv) Encouraging all member ministry; (v) Open to the work of the Holy Spirit; (vi) Being generous and (vii) Compassionate

HOME GROUPS

There are nine mid-week home groups that meet for prayer, bible study, mutual support, mission, living out our purpose & values and fun!
Emma Cunningham 07879 442025 **Monday 8pm** - Weekly
Vanessa Kemp 01428 642180: **Tuesday 2.30pm** - Fortnightly
Nicky Lee (co-ordinator) 01428 654737: **Tuesday 8pm** - Weekly
Neil Caie & Jane Kent 01428 725005: **Tuesday 8pm** - Weekly
Anne & David Laver 01428 653489: **Tuesday 8pm** - Fortnightly
Julie Ricketts & Maura Howard: 01428 643045 **Tuesday 8pm** - Fortnightly
Jez Ponting & Robin Anderson 01428 681853: **Weds 7.45pm** - Weekly
Jo Long & Donna Rigby 01428724389: for Ladies **Wednesday 8pm** - Weekly
Sarah Weldon 01428 644054: Know Your Bible Group **Friday 10am** - Weekly

Now is a great time to join a group for the first time or rejoin. Feel free to try more than one group until you find the right one.

PRAYER

Prayer underpins every aspect of our church life at St Stephen's. In addition to Prayer Ministry available at every Sunday service we hold:
9am Monday morning weekly prayer
10am Thursday Holy Communion weekly service
1:1:1 Prayer - One Church: One Hour: Once a month - a special prayer event on the first Monday evening each month at 7.30pm in Church.
We also regularly pray for our **Outward Mission Partners**

CHILDREN

Junior Church is run each Sunday at the 10.45am service for children aged 3 - 11 years except when it is a family service or during school holidays - see programme for details. There is also a *Crèche*.
The Rainbow - we have our own excellent Nursery School that meets in the CROSS through the week. Speak to Hilary Owen for more details.
Noah's Ark, parents and toddlers, Tuesdays 1.00-2.30pm term time.
KidsPraise every first Wednesday each month in term time.

YOUNG PEOPLE

Amplified: 11-14 years Sundays mornings and Thursday evenings *Liquid*: 14-19 years Sunday evenings at 3 Counties Church, Kings Road 7- 9-00pm. More details from Youth & Children Directors: Rebecca and Eliot Ambrose 01428 643344, Jon Noble on 07810 553866 and from ww.liquidyouth.org.uk

ALPHA COURSES

We regularly run *Alpha* Courses sometimes in conjunction with other local churches.

PRIME TIME

This group for anyone over 50 years of age organises a variety of social events on a monthly basis throughout the year. See separate programme for details or speak to Vanessa Kemp for more information.

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, FUNERAL AND CHURCH AND CROSS

BOOKINGS - please contact the Church Office for all initial enquiries.

MEN@ST STEPHEN'S

This is open to all men in the church as well as friends, husbands, colleagues etc. Contact Charlie Isaacs, Andy Rigby or Giles Carpenter

GIVING AT ST STEPHEN'S

The mission and ministry of St Stephen's is made possible, under God, solely by the generous giving of individuals, for which we are most grateful. Offerings are taken during the 9am service but planned and regular giving through the envelope scheme or by standing order is of great help in budgeting. Donations through the Gift Aid scheme provide a substantial supplement to church income. As a church we are committed to supporting God's work in the wider world. Over 10% of all that we receive is passed on to support overseas and home mission. Further information from Ed Walker.

WHO'S WHO *(some of the people who serve us)*

Vicar: Rev Danny Wignall	01428 645878
Curate: Rev Giles Carpenter	01428 652379
Assistant Minister (retired): Rev Chris Oldroyd	01428 606620
Church Wardens: Hilary Bicknell	01428 651276
Duncan Long	01428 724389
Deputy Warden: Bill Kennedy	01428 656754
Youth & Children's Directors: Becca & Eliot Ambrose	01428 643344
Junior Church Co-ordinator: Michele Webb	01428 645126
Noah's Ark Co-ordinator: Vanessa Clothier-Pratts	01428 644149
Church Administrator: Jenny Parsons	01428 642609
Rainbow Nursery: Hilary Owen (Head Teacher)	01428 656086
Pastoral Care/Crossways Counselling: Jane Saunders	01428 644333
Prayer Chain: Hilary Bicknell	01428 651276
Prayer Ministry: Jean Clark	01428 652368
Prime Time (for those 50+): Vanessa Kemp	01428 642180
Prayer for schools: Annie Barnsdale	01428 652624
Prayer: Helen Mitchell	01428 722814
Worship and Media: Andy Rigby	01428 643880
Treasurer: Ed Walker	01428 654428
Outward Giving Committee Chair: Neil Wilson	01730 813321
PCC Secretary: Lynda Kay	01428 648326
Rotas: Anne Laver and Jenny Parsons	01428 653489
Website: Dave Mitchell	01428 722814
Good News Magazine: Neill Parsons	01428 661882
Email list: Duncan Long	01428 724389
Home Groups: Danny and Debs Wignall	01428 645878

SERMONS ONLINE - All of our sermons are recorded and available within a few days on our Website in MP3 format.

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