

## Sunday gatherings @ 10am

**7<sup>th</sup> May Easter 5: Altogether Worship**

**14<sup>th</sup> May Easter 6: Holy Communion**

**21<sup>st</sup> May Ascension Sunday: Holy Communion with our APCM during the service**

**28<sup>th</sup> May Pentecost – Service of the Word**  
*with Cinema Sunday for children 3-10 years old*

## Dates for your diary

Please note the weekly **Bible Study** is now on Wednesday at 1:30pm instead of Monday.

**Churches Together Prayer meeting** Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> May at the **URC** 7:30pm-9pm.

Our next PCC meeting is the 18<sup>th</sup> May do please let a member know if you would like something added to the agenda.

## APCM 21 May

During our service this day we'll be looking back over 2022, worshipping, giving thanks and praying to God who continues to care for us and bless us through the ups and downs.

In preparation, please pray, and think about

- Election of church officers and PCC members

*If you would like to know more about any of these roles within our church family, please do speak to Hannah, John G or anyone on the PCC*

- Update of our Electoral Roll (the church membership list)

*Anyone who has been worshipping with us for 6 months is encouraged to join – application forms are at the back of church and can be given to Janet, or Ali in the Office*

## How to contact us

Emails and telephone messages are checked at least 3 times a week.

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There is also a contact form on our website

<https://www.ststephenssouthmead.co.uk>

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# St Stephen's Southmead Bulletin May 2023



*A warm welcome  
whether it is your first time visiting  
or you are a regular part of the  
congregation! We are so glad to see you in  
person and gather as a church family  
Please do ask if you have any questions or  
are unsure about anything  
Our prayer is that as you spend time with  
us you might meet with the Living God.*

## Prayer - changes things

Please pray for

- Xander as he awaits to see a cardiologist
- Darren and Lynette, to be married in August
- continue to pray for Jon, Rachel, Sam & Joshua.
- The Ranch Southmead adventure playground
- All children preparing to take GCSE exams, that they feel loved and supported throughout and know they are worth so much more than good grades.
- Our new King and Queen as they are crowned this month, and all those in positions of leadership and power in this country

### Weekly Prayer meeting

Anyone available is welcome to join us for an informal prayer meeting every Wednesday at 9.30 am. For details, ask Janet.

## Kintsugi Hope



We are pleased that a new group started up on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April. Please pray as they work through the 12-week course.

## Toddler Group



Runs termtime every Monday 9.30 – 11am  
All pre-school aged children welcome! Snacks and drinks provided  
Just come along whenever you can.  
Details from Trena.

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## Rotas

Over the next few months, we will be stretched to cover all that needs doing for our services on Sunday as people are away or students moving on. If you would like to be involved in any way, please let Ali know in the Church Office, or speak to John G or Hannah

## Friendship Cafe - new dates

This has been open every Wednesday 10am - 12noon and will continue most weeks. However, as we will be welcoming Travelling Kitchen once a month there will be no café on May 10<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you to everyone who is helping to keep this running so well :-)

All very welcome to come along!

## Small groups

**Bible study group** meets Wednesdays at 1.30pm in St. Stephen's room. Contact Jenny if you are interested: revjennylow@gmail.com

If you'd value belonging to a small group speak to one of our wardens, as we're keen to build a network of supportive, prayerful, fellowship groups.

## Kids Matter & Babies Matter

Parenting groups are taking a break this term. Please pray for the leaders as they prepare to bring more sessions in future months.



## St Stephen's New Fruit Trees

As some of you may have seen our green team have planted some lovely fruit trees in our garden.

These were donated from Bristol City Council. A big thanks to our green team for arranging and planting them a few weeks ago, we look forward to seeing them grow 😊.

If you feel that you would like to belong to any of our small working groups, please do speak to a churchwarden.



## Coronation Of King Charles

The coronation of King Charles is to take place on Sunday the 7th of May there will be an online service to commemorate please visit The Church of England website for more information



<https://www.churchofengland.org/>

