

# Weekly services

Sunday 9am Holy Communion in church  
Sunday 10am Genesis children's group (most Sundays)  
Sunday 10.30am Morning Worship in church (HC 4<sup>th</sup> Sun)  
Mon, Tue, Wed 9am Morning Prayer on Zoom  
Wednesday 10.30am Midweek Communion in church

# Weekly Growth Groups

Sunday 6.30pm Rob's Jesus-100 group on Zoom  
Monday 8pm Tim's group, mainly on Zoom  
Monday 8pm Rob's group, nearly always on Zoom  
Tuesday 7.15pm Exodus for 11-15s Zoom or church hall  
Tuesday 7.30pm Lee's group, nearly always on Zoom

# Church Officers

Churchwardens: Jayne Weaver  
Assistants: Yvonne Janvier, Peter Cotton  
Church Treasurer: Trevor Jenkins  
Genesis leaders: Fiona Pulle, Jayne Cawood, Karen Cragg  
Exodus leaders: Rachel Copley, Rob McLaren  
Safeguarding Officer: Lee Hardy (temporary)  
PCC Secretary: Janet Chettle  
Comms Team: Steve Smith, Trevor Jenkins, Alan Rickards  
Church hall lettings: Barbara Street  
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# From 10<sup>th</sup> July 2022



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# Link

*Dear Friends,*

It's great to see you. We enter the Summer holiday period thanking the Lord for the recovery and progress given to us in recent months. Our Sunday 9am Holy Communion is growing well, using prayerbooks and hymnbooks for a classic CoFE service with a thoughtful sermon. Our 10.30am service is going well, with words on the screen and participation from all-ages. During Holiday Sunday 10.30s, we will include a children's film clip. Our Wednesday 10.30am Midweek Communion needs to renew its numbers after Covid disruption in recent weeks.

The church hall is closed from 25<sup>th</sup> July til 4<sup>th</sup> Sept for refurbishment of doors, windows and boiler, plus painting and decorating throughout. We're so glad to be able to look forward to a renewed church hall facility ready for the new school year.

With every blessing in Christ,



## Teaching series in July & August

At Wednesday communions we are having Psalms 66, 67, 121 on the Wednesdays until the end of July. On Sunday mornings, we start a new series from the Psalms on 17<sup>th</sup> July, plus a childrens' film series.

## New churchwarden assistants

With Peter injured and Yvonne away with family, Jayne is up against it. Thank you for good suggestions of people to join our Assistant Churchwarden team, and for sidesmen doing more duties.

## Genesis Sundays & Holiday Sundays

Today is the last Sunday of the year for Genesis (Primary-aged children) 17<sup>th</sup> July is a Church Family service. There will be Holiday Sundays through the rest of July & August with a little all-age involvement enabling our leadership team (Fiona, Jayne, Karen) to have a well-earned rest. It has been a demanding year and a good year with encouraging recent growth.

## New pew cushions

Following a groundswell of support, the PCC Standing Committee has arranged in the back pew for a selection of sample pew cushions to be considered (with their costs). The colour is to be a deep red, but what style is the best? And would you be willing to contribute?

## [www.EndthePersecution.uk](http://www.EndthePersecution.uk)

The international ministerial conference on 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> July, to champion Freedom of Religion or Belief (FoRB) for all, received next-to-no media coverage due to the Prime Minister's leadership crisis. We pray for a higher profile, for the sake of so many Christians and others in our world.

## Wine at Holy Communion

Wine has been re-introduced at Communion services, with individual cups at the front, acknowledging health misgivings about the common cup.

## Community Choir Open Evening 13<sup>th</sup> Jul

St Luke's Community Choir Open Evening on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July from 7.30pm to 8.45pm in the Church Hall. Entry is free. Includes entertainment by the choir, wine and nibbles.

## Allcomers Church Choir on 17<sup>th</sup> July

Once a month, at both Sunday morning services, we have a choir which is open to allcomers. The practice is at 7pm on Thurs 14<sup>th</sup>, for Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>.

## Knutsford Rd Churchyard Tidy 23<sup>rd</sup> July

All welcome on Saturday 23rd July, any time between 9.30am & 11am. We will tidy the area around the ashes' plots. No gardening experience is needed. Please bring hand shears, weeding tools and something to kneel on.

## Church hall closed 25<sup>th</sup> Jul to 4<sup>th</sup> Sept

The whole church hall is scheduled for painting and decorating over the Summer Holidays. At the same time we are fitting a new boiler, new windows and fire door. Thank you for your help and patience. And many thanks to the Church Hall committee members for their good work.

## Save the date: 10<sup>th</sup> Sept birthday party

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September from 6pm. No presents, but a chance for all the church family to celebrate big birthdays with Jean & Rob!

## Re-establishing rotas

Thanks for helping as Jayne and Rob form rotas again for Bible Readers, Intercession Prayers and Sidesmen during our Sunday Services.

## Growth Groups' Summer Break

Our Growth Groups have had a good year, but are ready for a break. Because we meet weekly in term time, we do well to have a long break in Summer holiday periods, in order to come back fresh in September.