

# SMC-NEWS

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## MISSION STATEMENT

We seek to be a place and a people of prayer, Christian love, and friendship, through which we may serve God and the community.

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# WHAT'S GOING ON ... SUBJECT-TO-CHANGE!

Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Jun, 1:30pm 'til 2:30pm = delivering "Craft Pack for Worship"

Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Jun, 4pm = Messy Church, OUTDOORS! (at Keele Uni.)

## Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June = FATHER'S DAY

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Jun, "WORSHIPONZOOM", 11am >>

preacher = Rev. Christine Legge \*

Sun 20<sup>th</sup> Jun, 12:15pm (-ish!) = **GENERAL CHURCH MEETING** (via 'Zoom')



Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> Jun, 4pm 'til 5pm = litter-picking

Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> Jun, 7pm 'til 8pm = Bible Study [Rev. Christine; the Acts of the Apostles] (via 'Zoom')



Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Jun, 2:45pm 'til 3:45pm = Free Food give-away (main Car-Park)

Thu 24<sup>th</sup> Jun, 8pm = Young Adults HouseGroup (via 'Zoom')

Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Jun >>

2:45pm 'til 3:45pm = Free Food give-away (main Car-Park)

4pm 'til 5pm = Bible Study [Rev. Christine; the Acts of the Apostles] (via 'WhyPay?')

5pm 'til 6pm = delivering Food Parcels (wk B)



Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Jun = Leadership Team FASTING & PRAYER

Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Jun, 5:30pm 'til 6:30pm = delivering "Craft Pack for Worship"

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Jun, "WORSHIPONZOOM", 11am >>

preacher = Ryan Davies

Sun 27<sup>th</sup> Jun, 12:15pm = COFFEE & CHAT (via 'Zoom')

Sun 27<sup>th</sup> Jun, 5pm = Leadership Team private prayer-time



Tue 29<sup>th</sup> Jun, 4pm 'til 5pm = litter-picking

Tue 29<sup>th</sup> Jun, 7pm 'til 8pm = Bible Study [Rev. Christine; the Acts of the Apostles] (via 'Zoom')

Wed 30<sup>th</sup> Jun, 2:45pm 'til 3:45pm = Free Food give-away (main Car-Park)



**Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Jul >>**

**2:45pm 'til 3:45pm = Free Food give-away** (main Car-Park)

**4pm 'til 5pm = Bible Study** [Rev. Christine; the Acts of the Apostles] (via 'WhyPay?')

**5pm 'til 6pm = delivering Food Parcels** (wk A)

**Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> Jul, 5:30pm 'til 6:30pm = delivering "Craft Pack for Worship"**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Jul, "WORSHIPONZOOM", 11am >>**

**CAFÉ CHURCH**; informal & relaxed, all-age & interactive

**Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Jul, 12:15pm = COFFEE & CHAT** (via 'Zoom')

**Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Jul, 5pm = Leadership Team private prayer-time**

**Tue 6<sup>th</sup> Jul, 4pm 'til 5pm = litter-picking**

**Tue 6<sup>th</sup> Jul, 7pm 'til 8pm = Bible Study** [Rev. Christine; the Acts of the Apostles] (via 'Zoom')

**Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Jul, 2:45pm 'til 3:45pm = Free Food give-away** (main Car-Park)

**Thu 8<sup>th</sup> Jul, 8pm = Young Adults HouseGroup** (via 'Zoom')

**Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Jul >>**

**2:45pm 'til 3:45pm = Free Food give-away** (main Car-Park)

**4pm 'til 5pm = Bible Study** [Rev. Christine; the Acts of the Apostles] (via 'WhyPay?')

**5pm 'til 6pm = delivering Food Parcels** (wk B)

**Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Jul, 5:30pm 'til 6:30pm = delivering "Craft Pack for Worship"**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Jul, "WORSHIPONZOOM", 11am >>**

preacher = Christine Chadwick

**Sun 11<sup>th</sup> Jul, 12:15pm = COFFEE & CHAT** (via 'Zoom')

**Sun 11<sup>th</sup> Jul, 5pm = Leadership Team private prayer-time**

**Tue 13<sup>th</sup> Jul, 4pm 'til 5pm = litter-picking**

**Tue 13<sup>th</sup> Jul, 7pm 'til 8pm = Bible Study** [Rev. Christine; the Acts of the Apostles] (via 'Zoom')

**Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Jul, 2:45pm 'til 3:45pm = Free Food give-away** (main Car-Park)

**Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Jul, 7:30pm = Leadership Team mtg.** (via 'Zoom')





On Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup> of June, straight after Morning Worship, we have a General Church Meeting. The Leadership Team wishes to remind everyone that this particular format of Meeting is open to anyone, and so would urge you all to consider attending. One of the main reasons is because our “Building for the Future” document, as devised by the Leadership Team, detailing the plans for our immediate future, will be delivered during the meeting. It will be held digitally using ‘Zoom’ – but don’t worry if you don’t have the internet, or a mobile phone, or a tablet, or a computer – as is always the case with ‘Zoom’, you can do it with a good old-fashioned landline telephone too. All those who receive our e-mails will automatically get the “invite”; if you don’t get our e-mails, then you will need to ask to be added to the list, or ask someone how you can “join” using a telephone. So please, consider joining with us, as we continue to re-imagine Church for such a time as this, and become the Church without walls that God is calling us to be, so that we can offer a Hybrid Church to all. **The “Building for the Future” document will be issued to all, in various ways, as soon as is practical after the Meeting.**

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To help raise funds, Lynn & Tina are doing a Sponsored Walk! On Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July 2021, beginning at 10am, they plan to walk for 3 miles, by doing 4 laps around Westport Lake. Obviously though, it will all be pointless if they don't have any sponsors! So, if anyone wishes to sponsor them, either a one-off amount or a per-mile amount, then they would be very grateful. If you do wish to, then let them (or a member of the Leadership Team) know - you will need to supply your name, the first line of your address, your postcode, the amount, and if you wish to Gift Aid your donation. Please consider supporting them if you can!

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At the end of August, our Circuit Superintendent, Rev. John Palmer, will be moving on, to the Salford Circuit, and Rev. John Taylor will be retiring (for the second time!). As is the custom, gifts will be presented to both Ministers at their Leaving Service on Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> of July at Wolstanton Methodist Church. If anyone wishes to make a donation towards the gifts, please pass them to John Glover, in a sealed envelope and indicating the amount allocated to each Minister – cheques should be made payable to “North Staffordshire Circuit”. All donations need to have been received by the 20<sup>th</sup> of June at the latest.



The Leadership Team's prayer meeting, that they have held every Sunday Afternoon for some considerable time, has recently evolved further – they are now devoting the hour, from 5pm to 6pm every Sunday, to a personal prayer-time, where they will still be praying for the Church, and various other matters, but instead of joining together to do it, they will be doing it alone and in their own way. They will then take what God has been saying to them during these personal times to a face-to-face Prayer Meeting that they will have on the last Sunday of every month, beginning in July. As a result of this evolution, they would like to encourage everyone to commit to praying with them – hopefully during the 1-hour from 5pm to 6pm every Sunday, or at some other time during the week if you can't make it on a Sunday. Either way, we need to continue to commit to praying as a Church, so that God can continue to guide us into the future, and show us the plans that He has for us, in-order to continue to build His kingdom in the place where He has called us to serve.

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We will be running another 'Alpha Course', beginning some time in September – but we need to saturate it in prayer (there's that need for prayer again!), so that God sends the right people to it, and so that they are open to hearing Him whilst they engage in the Course. So we are holding two 12hr Days of Prayer, specifically for 'The Alpha Course' – one on the 1st of August, and one on the 31st of August, both from 11am 'til 11pm. So we need people to commit to praying, by signing-up for certain time-slots over the two days – be it half-an-hour, 1-hour, or more, we need you to commit to praying during a certain time.

For further details, send an e-mail to Jayne at "[northstaffschildrensworker@gmail.com](mailto:northstaffschildrensworker@gmail.com)", or call Lee on 07403 534575. Alternatively, simply let us know what times you will be praying, again via one of the two methods – or some other way if none of those are available to you! – and we will allocate the time-slots to you. A full timetable of names will then be distributed closer to the time – until then, let us know what times you want to commit to, so that you can be included on the timetable. Finally, remember that God's command is to pray without ceasing... .



1 CHRONICLES 16:11

"Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always."

JEREMIAH 33:3

"Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know."

PHILIPPIANS 4:6

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

1 JOHN 5:14

"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us."

LUKE 18:1

"Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up."