

St Martin's Church

8th September 2024

8.30am

Holy Communion

Revd Sue Pendenque

10.30am

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Preaching:

Revd Sue Pendenque

Leading:

Lesley Cohen

Proverbs 22.1-2,

8-9, 22-23

James 2.1-10, 14-17

*Rooted in
Christ,
Reaching out
in Love*

Coming up

Café Church celebrates Harvest!

Come and celebrate God's goodness to us as we share breakfast together and bring our thank you gifts to God – Sept 15th 9.45 or 10.30am

Alpha '24

6 sessions exploring the fundamentals of the Christian faith. No question too small! Begins at St Martin's 26th Sept, 7pm.

Morning Prayer

Facebook; gam Mon- Fri

Prayer ministry

Each week in the Chancel after 10.30am Sunday services

Nourish Cafe -

3 – 4pm every Monday: come & join us for a chat over a cuppa.

A good name is more desirable than great riches;
to be esteemed is better than silver or gold.

Rich and poor have this in common:
The Lord is the Maker of them all.

Proverbs 22. 1-2

Notices

For your prayers during the coming week - Beryl Morgan's brother and family as they go through a difficult time with health, Sarah Conte, Gill James and family, The Higgins family, Judith Swift, Jodee Best, Frances & David Clayden and Karine Thornhill. The Hickman family would like to thank everyone for their faithful prayers for Gillian's recovery from breast cancer as she moves into after care

Café Church celebrates Harvest! - come and celebrate God's goodness to us as we share breakfast together and bring our thank you gifts to God – Sept 15th, 9.45am for a bring and share breakfast, followed by an interactive all age service. All welcome. Tins and non-perishables brought as Harvest thanksgiving gifts will go to our local Foodbank.

Wild Church – would you like to support a new and exciting initiative? We're exploring the idea of a monthly muddy / wild church and are beginning to put together a team. Please get in touch with Gill James children.stmsherwood@gmail.com if you're interested.

Swimathon - Jeannie Hickson is on her way to complete her 26 mile swim marathon for water aid. It started on the 1st August & has to be completed in 12 weeks; by late October. You can access the page here to support her and Water-aid - <https://wateraid.enthuse.com/pf/jeannie-hickson>

QMC Charity Bungee – Hope's 15yr old son Zech is doing a bungee jump in October half term, and is fundraising to provide special stoma teddy bears and young adult care packs, for other children and young people having stoma surgery at QMC, after receiving one after his own stoma surgery this year. If you'd like to support him and others like him you can do so via this link: <https://shorturl.at/vIG5A>

Alpha – St Martin's is offering a meal and an exploration of the fundamentals of the Christian faith for 6 weeks this autumn. No question too small to ask! Begins 26th Sept, 7pm, please sign up by 20th September.

Because we are providing a meal for each week of the Alpha course we're calling for volunteers. If you're able to help with cooking, setting out, or washing up, please note your name on the sheet in the lobby and help us make Alpha a real hit this year.

Quiet Day - Saturday 28th September at Mount St Bernard Abbey – come and join us for a day of quiet reflection together in the presence of God, and surrounded by beauty. If you're willing to offer a lift please make a note on the lobby sign-up sheet, the event starts at St Bernard at 10am, finishing 3.30, please bring along something to share for lunch.

Upcoming Cursillo Diary - Saturday 28th September 10am-3.30pm - *Day of Deeper Understanding* (day retreat) at St Martin's Sherwood.

Next Cursillo Weekend will be at Launde Abbey; Friday 1st August 2025 3pm - Sunday 3rd 4pm. Please chat to Helena Shipston for more info.

Freddie Kofi - Our youth minister Freddie has made the decision to finish his time with us. His employment with us comes to an end this week as August comes to a close. Freddie has brought life, challenges to our thinking and some new creativity to our youth group. We are grateful for his input to our life here and we are sad to see him moving on. Freddie's passion is predominantly music and he is a very gifted musician. He is moving on to pursue where he feels God is leading him, into more fully using his musical gifts. We pray for Freddie as he moves on. Our amazing team of youth volunteers will continue to lead the group, however, the team are all people who are busy in their home lives and very active in the life of the church – there is room for more! Please pray whether God might be asking you to join the youth team and help us grow this next generation of disciples. Please chat to Sue P or Sue E if you want to know more.

Christian Aid Family Fun Fund Raiser - Many thanks to the people who have signed the sheets so far to help with the proposed Family Fun Fund Raiser for Christian Aid on the 5th October. At this stage signing the sheet is just an indication of your support. Many thanks, Tony R.

Upcoming Readings

15th Sept

Joel 2.21-27 (8.30)

Matt 6.25-33 (10.30)

22nd Sept

Isaiah 6.1-5

Rev 4.2-11

Our church vision

To be a welcoming God centred church, where people are transformed by the love of Christ, to nurture God's love, hope and justice, for the flourishing of Sherwood, our City and our World

The Oakes Weekend – we still have 10 places for boys on this trip. The dates are 15th - 17th Nov 2024 for children who will be in school years 5-10. The price of £50 per child includes accommodation, lovely meals, activities from archery to crafts to muddy obstacle courses, and great Bible teaching from the Oakes staff team. If you know a child who'd like to take part please let Sue Estella know: sgfruitc@yahoo.co.uk www.oakes.org.uk

Arnold Foodbank -our collection box is under the table in the church foyer. Here's the list of foods they're looking for:

Tinned meat/meals eg corned beef, ham, hotdogs, meatballs, minced beef, chicken in white sauce etc, tinned veg - especially peas, carrots and sweetcorn, tinned soup, tinned tuna/fish, cooking oil, pasta sauce/tomatoes, jam, tinned fruit, rice pudding and custard, tea and coffee - particularly small 100g jars and 40 teabags, chocolate treats and snacks, razors and deodorant

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