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# Notices and News Sunday 31st August

10:30 am Holy Communion with Sunday Club

Contemplative Prayer, 6pm

# A year of John's Gospel

The PCC and Ministry team are delighted to announce that from Advent 2025 we will be launching a Year of John's Gospel. Professor David Ford will be with us on the evening of Advent Sunday (30th November) launching his new short guide to the Gospel. We will also hear from Rev'd Karin about how the Year of John impacted St Andrew's Cherry Hinton.

Our Sunday readings will be following a new lectionary for the year focusing on John's account of the life and death of Jesus.

Midweek groups will be provided with resources to read John with all our different communities.

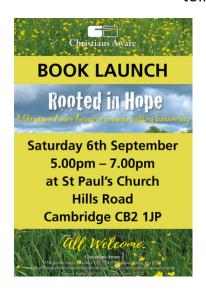
We will also be encouraging creative responses to John's Gospel. As part of that Tom Boniface will be performing his Eight Last Words - a jazz suite based on the eight sayings of Jesus in the Passion according to St John- Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March in the evening.

We will have many small books of John's Gospel to take away, and a reading guide to read it every day over 3 months

# The Season of Creation begins on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sept until the 4<sup>th</sup> October. The theme is Peace with Creation.

Eco Church Zoom Session, Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept 6-7pm Link to follow

For this session, we are delighted to be joined by Diana Cook (Churchyard Conservation Award), Chris Warner (from Coveney: St Peter-ad-Vincula - Silver Award for Churchyard Conservation), and the Revd Imogen Nay, Bishop's Advisor on Climate (from Cambridge: St Paul's). We will hear about the opportunities for improving churchyards for biodiversity and how they can be used for Forest Church. Also the opportunities available to churches to switch to more eco products and sanitary collections, plus twinning toilets and more...



#### **Book Launch**

All welcome to this free launch,
Imogen will be speaking and there will
be poetry readings and a chance to
meet contributors to the book. The
book looks at the vital issue of
biodiversity from a Christian
perspective.

Any instrumentalists who would like to get involved in music on Sunday mornings are warmly invited to gather with Helen after the service on **Sunday 14th Sept 12-1.30pm** for an informal discussion and playing session. Bring a packed lunch and your instrument! All ages welcome.

## **Cambridge Artists for Palestine**

On behalf of Cambridge Artists for Palestine, we would like to offer our deepest thanks to you and to St. Paul's Church for generously hosting our recent fundraiser.

By welcoming us into your beautiful church, you made it possible for the community to come together in a spirit of compassion and solidarity. The space of St. Paul's gave the evening a sense of dignity and depth, and helped us to raise £2,420 for two urgent causes — the Gaza Soup Kitchen

https://www.instagram.com/gazasoupkitchen/ and Lujane's Legal Fund. https://www.instagram.com/luj.abd/

Many who attended expressed how uplifting it was to be able to gather in such a setting.

Please extend our gratitude to your team and congregation for their generosity and support. Your willingness to offer the church as a place of welcome enabled not only a successful fundraiser, but also a powerful expression of community and shared humanity.

With sincere thanks and respect,

Cambridge Artists for Palestine https://www.instagram.com/reels/DNso\_9jWBI9/

Emma is travelling to the Holy Land from 1st-10th September. They would really appreciate our prayers. They are travelling with Sabeel-Kairos- a campaigning Christian charity that works for human rights, justice and equality for Palestinians in partnership/solidarity with the Christian community in the Holy Land. You can follow Emma's journey on Instagram by following Sabeel-Kairos UK.

#### **COMMUNITY PROGRAMME: SEPT**

**FOODBANK** Monday 4-5.30pm and Friday 3-5pm. Emergency food parcels for those with a voucher.

SIMPLE SUPPER Back on 1st September, 6pm.

Thursday **Botanic Walk** 11am 4<sup>th</sup> Sept

THURSDAY LUNCH CLUB Back on 4th Sept, 12.30.

FRIDAY LUNCH CLUB Back on 5th Sept, 12.30



#### MIDWEEK GROUPS and PRAYER

All the details of our midweek prayers are on the website with links in the weekly email.

**TUESDAY CUPPA** - meets at the Costa nearest to St Paul's at 11am on 2nd September for a general catch-up: everyone is welcome.

Wednesday 7.30am prayers online only this week.

### **Apprentice Group**

Every two weeks the Apprentice Group meets to support each other in the life of our faith. We do this by working through a book together that has an emphasis on spiritual exercises which we aim to practice and discuss. We meet in the Chapel on Sunday mornings at 8.45 for an hour, followed by coffee across the road. Every time we are about to start a new book we open up the group for new people to join us. We'll start working through Richard Rohr's "Just this" on September 14th – if you're interested please talk to Jo Wroe or Pete Bone <a href="mailto:petebone@mac.com">petebone@mac.com</a>.

## Giving to St Pauls:

Regular, weekly or monthly donations are so essential to our church's finances. From £5 per week to £100 a month. We really need your donation. Join our Parish Giving scheme with this link or scan the QR code.

