

News from the Upper Thames Churches



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1. **Worship for this Sunday 11th June - Trinity 1**

- 10am Worship Together - St Sampson's
- **Readings:**
 - [Hosea 5:15-6:6 OR Romans 4:13-end](#)
 - [Matthew 9:9-13,18-26](#)

2. **Event Reminders:**

- ****Next Thursday* 15th June - Filling Station***

A huge 'thank you' to everyone who has offered donations for the Filling Station session, next Thursday.

I have already received some of these donations and look forward to receiving the rest, during the day, next Thursday at 5 Abingdon Court Farm.

I will be at home between 9am and 3.30pm and hope some of you can pop in for a cup of tea or coffee and a chat!

Looking forward to seeing you then.
Best wishes
Ruth

- ***Gilbert & Sullivan Galore - Friday 16th June***

Tickets £10 (£5 for under 18s)

- ***Growing in God***

Growing in God is a programme of events to help us grow in our life of faith and prayer. We hope there will be something for everyone, and something available most months. There will be a variety of people leading and at different times of day – so lots to choose from! Do come along and join in so that we can grow in God together. Here is a link to the flier: [Growing in God](#)

- ***Malmesbury & District Foodbank Shopping List***

More and more people are relying on foodbanks and donations go out as fast as they come in. Please help if you can. The latest shopping list is here: [Foodbank shopping list](#)

- ***Deanery Confirmation Service, October 16th***

People of any age and stage can be confirmed, and it is usual for there to be a period of preparation, mostly involving a group to think together about what faith means and what confirmation actually is. I hope that we will run two confirmation groups one for people over 21 and one for people under 21.

If you are interested please talk to Debbie or Shirley and we will see what we might do together to make everything possible for a whole group of people from Upper Thames to be confirmed together at this special service at St Sampson's on 16th October.

3. St Sampson's church refurbishment design concepts

The open morning on Saturday 3rd June was well attended and the St Sampson's Refurbishment Team were encouraged and excited to share the vision and design concepts with both members of the congregation and townsfolk. If you haven't managed to see the displays in church yet, pop into St Sampson's Church if you're in Cricklade or visit <https://stsampsonschurchappeal.co.uk>. If you'd like to talk to someone from the team about the plans or making a gift, please let Sarah Smith or Adina Grace know or reply to this email.

4. NWMA Youth Events

For more information on all NWMA youth events contact Jessy Smith, NWMA Youth Mission Enabler - jessica.price@nwma.org.uk

- **JUNE 24th-25th**

Spree (Spree is a whole weekend's worth of social!) – there are currently still places on Spree. To book just contact Jessy - jessica.price@nwma.org.uk. The cost of £85

covers all the weekend's events and there are still **sponsored places available**.

• JULY

- **Weekend in the Wild** on Saturday 8th July. Weekend in the Wild is an annual Christian camping holiday for families in NWMA and the Hazelnut Network. There will be a pizza party, talks, singing and a special service for everyone on the Sunday. Young people and children will be treated to crafts, sports, and games (maybe even a water fight!). Families can either book to camp for the weekend, or come along for the Saturday for slightly cheaper. The link to book is here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/weekend-in-the-wild-tickets-581448757887>
- **Glow** will be on 23rd July at St Mary Magdalene, Hullavington. We are continuing our series about Light with John 1: "Light of the World"

5. Cricklade Open Gardens

This year the popular open gardens event is taking place this year on the afternoons of Saturday 1st - Sunday 2nd July. Programmes cost £5 (under 16s free) and will give you access to all 21 gardens which are open. They are available from the Town Council offices or in any of the gardens on the day. Click here for more details: [Cricklade Open Gardens](#)

6. Morning Prayers

• Monday Morning Zoom Prayers, 9am

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75014918163?pwd=CJk0QERFADkey7Gp8H1KbN4slZYpnD.1>

Meeting ID: 750 1491 8163

Passcode: YzFYu9

• Thursday Morning Prayers at St Sampson's - 8.30am for 8.45am start

There are about 7 - 10 of us in number; we meet at 8.30am to enjoy coffee and the Iona Community's 'Wee Worship Book', and finish by 9.30am. Everyone is most welcome so do join us.

7. Worship for the remainder of June

• 11th June - Trinity 1

- 10am Worship Together - St Sampson's

• 18th June - Trinity 2

- St Sampson's:
 - 8am Holy Communion followed by breakfast
 - 10am Morning Worship
 - 6.30pm Evensong
- Holy Cross:

- 10am Morning Worship
- 6pm Evensong
- Latton St John:
 - 10am Holy Communion

• **25th June - Trinity 3**

- St Sampson's:
 - 10am Holy Communion
- Holy Cross:
 - 8.30am Holy Communion
- Latton St John:
 - 10am Morning Worship

8. Church opening times

- **St Sampson's:** every day, 9.30am – 3.30pm
- **Holy Cross:** Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday, 10am - 4pm