
St Thomas . Penny Street . Lancaster

Worshipping God together and at home, we serve and proclaim Jesus wherever we are.

St.tees bulletin

Sunday 1st November 2009

TODAY

WELCOME

to the children who were part of Light Explosion 2009 - Shine
and their families.

A huge thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make the party a success!

Sermons for November

November 1st

9:15 am **Holy Communion** (said)

10:30 am **All-Age Service**

6:15 pm **Service of the Word** A Gracious Community (4) 1 Cor 14:v1-33.
A Spirit led worshipping community

November 8th Remembrance Sunday

10:30 am **Holy Communion** A Gracious Community (5) 1 Cor 11:v17-34.
A grace filled community at worship round the Lord's table

6:15 pm **Service of the Word** A Gracious Community (6) 1 Cor 7:v1-35 (Hebrews 13:v4)
A community that honours marriage and singleness

November 15th

10:30 am **Service of the Word** A Gracious Community (7) 1 Cor 10:v1-11:v1.
A Eucharistic (Giving Thanks) grace filled community

6:15 pm **Holy Communion** Destiny: Where am I going? Luke 10:v25-37

November 22nd We welcome to our morning and evening service today Guest speaker Keith Tondeur

10:30 am **Holy Communion**

At 2:00 pm Baby Loss Service in church (non-denominational)
All families bereaved of a baby are warmly invited to attend

6:15 pm **Service of the Word**

November 29th

10:30 am **Service of the Word** The Lord of heaven is to come redeem communities. Isaiah 2:v1-5,
Zechariah 9:v9-end

6:15 pm **Holy Communion** Come to the Table. This service will provide time and space to explore
some of the different aspects of Communion liturgy and think about what they really mean
to us today.

After Hours for 6th form age students and those in their 20s (also Year 11 students) meet in the
downstairs centre 8:15 pm Sundays. This term After Hours is based on a book called 'God's Big Picture'
by Vaughn Roberts. Tonight's subject is 'Partial kingdom'.

Following Rev Dr Ian Paul's visit from St John's College Nottingham last Sunday - there are still some
copies of 'Anticipating the Coming King' (daily readings for Advent and Christmas). If you would like a
copy please ask at the welcome desk. Price £4.99

THIS WEEK

OPEN MEETING for church members **Tuesday 3rd November** 7:30 pm in church. An opportunity to get together and to share and pray in the light of Peter and Shell's move in the New Year.

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EXTRA TIME Creationism ... Darwinism ... Evolution ... Intelligent Design - the debate continues. At Extra Time on **Tuesday 3rd November** (10:15 am for 10:30 am start in the church centre) we look forward to welcoming the Revd. Michael Roberts, Vicar of Cockerham, to lead our thoughts on the complex issues of man's origin, as he speaks on 'Can we believe in God and Darwin?'

PRAYER FOR ALPHA

Prayer will be happening at the time the course is being held. **Wednesday evenings** 7:30 pm in the upstairs centre prayer room.

COOKING FOR ALPHA - There's one slot to fill! If your house group can offer to cook on Wednesday 9th December please fill in the sheet on the welcome desk. Thank you.

WOMEN'S GROUP meets for coffee **Saturday 7th November** 11:00 am at The Sultan, Brock Street, Lancaster. All welcome.

NEXT SUNDAY - JOINERS' TEA Sunday 8th November for those relatively new to the church and others who would like to know more about what goes on at St T's. Pick up a flier from the welcome desk.

EVENTS COMING UP

WENDY'S CRAFT WORKSHOP Tuesday 10th November (evening) 7:00 - 11:00 pm. A NEW workshop where you can make Hearts and Flowers, Crosses and Stars. Hand-cut shapes (fabric-covered if you like) ready for you to decorate. Please order in advance. Cost £20.00. Further details from Wendy Moore (01524) 61586 or 07817 754 095.

PRAYER CONCERT The next Prayer Concert will be on **Friday 13th November** 7:30 pm in St Thomas's. The theme for the evening will be 'Praying for the Men'. Details from Pat Jarratt or pick up a flyer from the welcome desk.

CONTEMPORARY DANCE GROUP Tuesday 17th November 8:00 pm in the downstairs centre. Just turn up! A new group that is focused on dance for people from church and their friends. It will be a group in which you will be able to take part in contemporary dance (led by an experienced dancer) and encouraged to use your creative skills while having fun, keeping fit and making new friends. The group is for anyone age 12 and upwards (no maximum age limit!) and no previous dance experience is needed. The dates for December are: **8th December and 15th December**. If you are interested in joining this group or would like some more information please contact either Jess Walmsley, Diane Armstrong or Debbie Lemmon (01524) 34007; debbielem@hotmail.com.

LANCASTER UNIVERSITY BRASS BAND CONCERT in church on **Saturday 21st November** at 7:30 pm. Tickets are available from the Church Office during the week or Dave Cumming on Sundays, priced £5.00 for adults, £3.00 concessions.

STOP PRESS!!

27th November 2009 8:00 - 11:00 pm

Live local band - LAVA (<http://www.lavamusic.co.uk/index.html>)

Qualified salsa teacher.

Beer, wine and soft drinks on sale

£5.00 a ticket.

Further details and notices to follow - any questions speak to Dunx & Jess

GROWING LEADERS COURSE

Leadership is a proven factor in growing, healthy churches yet so many struggle to find leaders. We need to grow more leaders - more people to take on leadership roles and responsibilities within our own and local congregations. We need more growing leaders - leaders who are growing and developing themselves, will tend to grow others into leadership.

The "**Growing Leaders Course**" is a practical resource from CPAS (Church Pastoral Aid Society). Over a year, provisionally booked to start at St Thomas's in January 2010 and led by Rev Sam Corley, it has a unique mix of teaching, mentoring and practical application which focuses on leadership routed in Christ, deepening commitment to long term service and essential skills for the task.

Numbers will be limited therefore all who apply may not be accepted. Dates of the course are on the notice board in the church lounge. If you're interested please contact the Church Office.

Christmas Choir and Musicians

Christmas will be with us very soon. Would you be interested in being involved even if you're not normally part of the regular Sunday worship team? I would like volunteers for:

A Choir - sight reading music will help greatly, but is not essential
Musicians of brass or woodwind.

If you're interested in either and available Christmas Eve, see Martin Walmsley or contact the Church Office. Keep an eye out for rehearsal dates.

NOTICE BOARD

OASIS FOR WOMEN Since the Ball last October the Oasis Team has taken a break. We are now getting going again and praying about the future and where God is taking us next. We'd like to know your ideas and if God is giving you some thoughts about events for women. Come and join us for Pimms, Pudding and Putting our Heads Together on **Monday 16th November** 7:00 pm in church. Looking forward to seeing you there! (The Oasis Team is a group of seven women from St T's who, 10 years ago, felt God's calling to lead and plan events for women with the aim of building them up in their Christian lives).

RECENTLY ARRIVED AT UNIVERSITY? If you're new to St Thomas's we'd love to welcome you by introducing you to the **Student Hospitality Scheme**. It's very simple: you let us have your details by signing up and we pass them on to a member or family within the church who will then invite you (or you and a friend) for cups of tea and cake or meals, and are generally very hospitable towards you! Details and signing up forms are on the welcome desk, or contact Naomi Shrine naomi@st.tees.org.uk

BLANKET DRIVE The Night Shelter urgently need blankets or warm waterproof winter clothes (hats, scarves, gloves, socks or coats for men and women) If you could donate any of these items please see Jess Walmsley

NEWSLETTER for October / November 2009 If you didn't receive one last Sunday pick up a copy from the welcome desk.

STREET PASTORS Pick up a copy of the latest newsletter from the welcome desk.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY There will be a party for Peter and Shell on **Saturday 9th January** and a 'farewell' on **Sunday 10th January** prior to their departure from Lancaster. Further details soon. Peter's Licencing Service will be on Thursday 25th February at St Mark's Gillingham.

NEW WINE CONFERENCES 2010 Application forms for the Newark Conference and for places on the team from 31st July to 6th August are now available on the welcome desk. You can of course book via the internet.

CLEANING Would anyone like to do cleaning for two hours per week? If so please contact Doreen Bird on 01524 63948.

STORAGE SPACE URGENTLY NEEDED We urgently need dry storage space to store donations of equipment until February 2010 prior to sending the items to Thailand. If you can help please see Chris Rowbotham, David Dawson or Sally Anderson. 01524 388199. Info@www.1step2step.org www.1step2step.org

TO RENT Two-bedroomed town house for rent. Near train station and five minutes from City Centre. See notice board for details.

WEEKLY FOOTBALL Sundays 9:00 - 10:00 pm at the University of Cumbria Sports Centre on the astroturf. All welcome. For more information contact Phil on 07900 037 590.

URGENTLY WANTED Female personal assistant/carer to assist wheelchair bound lady in Lancaster. Duties to include both personal and domestic care. Part-time hours (permanent & maternity cover), weekday, evening and weekend shifts available. Competitive rates of pay. No experience necessary. For further information please contact Wendy Lidster (07967 706 077).

PRAYER MINISTRY is available following each service. Look out for those wearing a yellow badge - they will be happy to pray with you.

EVENTS / INFORMATION ELSEWHERE

About Theatre presents **GODSPELL** at Lancaster Grand Theatre **November 19th - 21st** at 7:30 pm. Tickets £10.00 (proceeds to the Rosemere Cancer Foundation). Further details on notice board.

REFRESHMENTS TEAM

Today	1 Nov	10:30am	Richard & Doreen Silman's house group
		6:15pm	Harry & Iona Price's house group
Sunday	8 Nov	10:30am	Ariel Hubbert/Jane Thwaites' house group
		6:15pm	Suzie Shearsby's house group

For general information & further details about St Thomas's activities, do visit our website www.st.tees.org.uk

Office hours: usually 9:00am to 3:00pm Mon - Fri

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WELCOME.

If you have recently come to St Thomas's, or even if you've been coming for a while, we would like to welcome you and get to know you better. Please fill in this tear-off slip and hand it in at the Welcome Desk or put it in the church letter box in the St Thomas Centre behind the church (The letterbox is at the top of the concrete external stairs).

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I would like more information about....			I am interested in house groups <input type="checkbox"/>		

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