



### Coffee Cup Collection

Our coffee cup collection until the end of February is for the Chilterns Neuro Centre. This is a local charity based in Wendover.

It has provided support to people with MS, as well as their family and carers, for almost four decades. More recently it opened up its services to people affected by Parkinsons and strokes. There is a display about the Centre at the back of the church.

### APCM and Electoral Roll 2025

This year we are required to prepare a new electoral roll. Everyone must sign up to it if they wish to be included, even if they are currently on it.

**The roll is open until 16<sup>th</sup> February.** Do please sign up to it and also consider standing for the PCC if you would like a say in the running of the church.



To join the PCC you must be on the electoral roll. There are paper forms at the back of both Churches, or you can fill the form in online.

If you have any questions, please speak to one of the Church Wardens, or Dee James, our Electoral Roll Officer. [www.stonedintonhartwell.com/apcm](http://www.stonedintonhartwell.com/apcm)

### London Marathon 2025

Two young people who grew up in our church will be running in the London Marathon this year to raise funds for a good cause that is very close to their hearts. When Elizabeth Rysdale was just one year old she was diagnosed with cancer, but thanks to the amazing support and dedication from doctors, nurses, and a charity known as 'Children with Cancer' she is still alive and healthy today. Elizabeth will be running the marathon with her brother Joshua because there are many more children today who are fighting this disease. Please support them by signing up on the form in church.

*Thankyou*

	Network Name: <b>SJB Congregation</b>	
	Password: StJohnBaptist	
We now accept online donations. You can donate at:		<a href="http://www.stonedintonhartwell.com/donate">www.stonedintonhartwell.com/donate</a>

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# Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2025



## Notices for the week

*Our church is a member of the Wychert Vale family of churches*

10:30am

### FAMILY COMMUNION

*led by Revd Nigel Featherston*

*(some of the heaters at the back of the church are NOT WORKING so please sit nearer the front)*



EXPLORERS *will meet during the service*



*Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
you promised through your Son Jesus Christ  
to hear us when we pray in faith.  
Father, your Son called men and women  
to leave the past behind them  
and to follow him as his disciples  
in the way of the cross.*

*Look with mercy upon those whom he calls today  
and makes his disciples.  
Amen*

6:00pm

### CANDELIT EVENSONG at SPP DINTON

*led by David Pickup*

*a special choral service for Candlemas including  
the blessing of the candles*

### This week

Mon	14:00 <b>Fabric committee</b> meeting in church
Tues	11:00 - 13:00 <b>Café in the Park</b> – in the Jubilee Pavilion
Thurs	09:00 -10:30 <b>Little Wrigglers</b> – in the Jubilee Pavilion

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## Luke 5:1-11

### Jesus calls his first disciples

*5 One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding round him and listening to the word of God. <sup>2</sup> He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup> He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.*

*<sup>4</sup> When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.'*

*<sup>5</sup> Simon answered, 'Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets.'*

*<sup>6</sup> When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. <sup>7</sup> So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.*



(artwork by Rebecca Brogan [www.itbarts.com](http://www.itbarts.com))

*<sup>8</sup> When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, 'Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!' <sup>9</sup> For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, <sup>10</sup> and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.' <sup>11</sup> So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.*

### Praying together

On Thursday evening we gathered together on Zoom to give thanks for all the good things God is doing and to seek His guidance and wisdom in our future plans. Please join us next time if you can, using the link below, even if you just want to listen in quietly. The session will last for 30 minutes.

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 8pm**

Some of you have had difficulty accessing Zoom so Stephan has created an easier link for us to use (thankyou Stephan) [www.stonedintonhartwell.com/zoom-prayers](http://www.stonedintonhartwell.com/zoom-prayers)

One of the activities we have been giving thanks for in our prayers is Explorers. See the note below for an update from Naomi on this.

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## Urgent Plea for Explorer Helpers

God is blessing Explorer sessions with increased numbers of children. We'd love to invite the older Little Wrigglers and their older siblings but can't due to the ratios of adults to children we have to follow. We need a bank of people to be on a rota who can be called on when the ratio of adults to children requires it.

You don't have to be a professional teacher, a natural leader or a creative genius - we just need bodies!!

You'll need to complete an application form, undertake a Benefice DBS check, have 2 referees and complete the Diocese Basic and Foundation Level Safeguarding Training - but I'll help you with all of that. The process takes about a month to complete.

Please speak to me if you'd like to find out more. Thanks

*Naomi*

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### Socially Crafty

Socially Crafty will be meeting again on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February at 10:30am in the church. They will be preparing headdresses and necklaces for the World Day of Prayer which this year has been prepared by the women from the Cook Islands.

Examples are beautifully modelled here by our very own Sue of many talents!

Everyone is welcome to come and try their hand at the crafts, have a natter, and to enjoy tea/coffee and cake.



### World Day of Prayer



This is a global, ecumenical movement led by women and is celebrated in over 210 countries. The service in Stone will be at the chapel in Eythrope Road on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 2:00pm.**

The service this year has been prepared by the women of the Cook Islands. These are a group of 15 islands in the South Pacific Ocean with a rich and colourful Maori heritage and a deep connection to nature. Join with us in the chapel as we pray together and reflect on the theme 'I MADE YOU WONDERFUL'.

### Services next week

9:00am

**MATINS** led by David Pickup

10:30am

**FAMILY WORSHIP** with EXPLORERS

led by Raymond Medhurst  
with David Pickup preaching

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