

Songs of Praise !

Our friends at the Methodist Chapel in Eythrope Road are holding a



**Songs of Praise service
with the choir from SJB**

at 11:00am today

EVERYONE is welcome to attend.

THANKYOU !

To everyone who helped in **any way** with the Church tombola and Joyfull Junior game at the fete last Monday. It raised £454.80 for much needed church funds.

Canon Phil's 70k run for Christian Aid

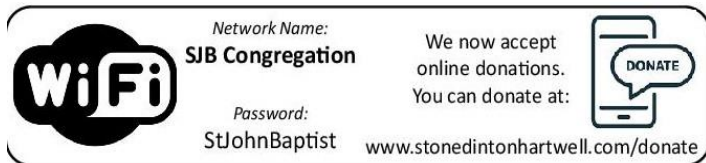


Phil has been running 70k again during May to raise funds for Christian Aid. It has been a huge challenge but it is nothing compared to the challenges faced by those who rely on support from Christian Aid. Despite his tremendous personal efforts Phil is encouraging us set up monthly donations to Christian Aid as an alternative to sponsoring his runs.

Phil Shurvell

Phil was a long term resident of Stone who contributed generously to community life. His funeral will take place at SJB on **FRIDAY 12th JUNE at 2pm.**

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Sunday 31st May 2026 Notices for the week



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

TRINITY SUNDAY

10:30am **FAMILY WORSHIP**
led by David Pickup



*Almighty and everlasting God,
you have given us your servants grace,
by the confession of a true faith,
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity
and in the power of the divine majesty
to worship the Unity:
keep us steadfast in this faith,
that we may evermore be defended from all
adversities;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen*

This week

- Tues 2nd** - 11:00am **Cafe in the Park** – in the Jubilee Pavilion
7:30pm **Choir practice** – 29(b) Eythrope Road
(the choir will be singing at the Patronal Festival)
- Thurs 4th** - 9:00am **Little Wrigglers** – in the Jubilee Pavilion
8:00pm **Praying Together online for 30 minutes**
<http://www.stonedintonhartwell.com/zoom-prayers>
- Sat 6th** - 10:00am **Cafe in the Park** – in the Jubilee Pavilion
- Sun 7th** - 9:00am **MATINS**
10:30am **FAMILY COMMUNION**
4:00pm **LEGO CHURCH** – in the Jubilee Pavilion

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Matthew 28:16-20

The Great Commission

16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17 When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. 18 Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'

“Go and make disciples” is the final instruction that Jesus gave to his disciples before he ascended to heaven. So if these are his parting words, they must have been especially important. Jesus didn't say, “Go and find a comfortable church and arrange a lot of social events”. Nor did he say, “Try and do nice things for other people when you aren't too busy”.

He said, “Go and make disciples”. This is known as the Great Commission, not the Great Suggestion.

The first disciples weren't particularly sophisticated people, nor were they learned theologians. They were just average people who gave themselves over to God and allowed Him to work through them to build his church. They were prepared to take risks for Him and they were prepared to step out in faith because they trusted Him to do the work through them.

When we develop a deep and real passion for God, that passion and energy and enthusiasm will spill over into the local community and people will increasingly be led to God themselves through the witness of the church.

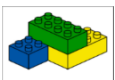
Lego Church update

Lego Church has now moved from the second Sunday of the month to the first.

So please note the next three dates:

7th June 5th July 2nd August

All sessions are in the Jubilee Pavilion at 4:00pm



This means that Lego Church is on the first Sunday of each month and Joyfull Juniors is on the second and fourth Sundays.

Joyfull Juniors is our Children's Church in the church during the main morning service. The children have fun in the vestry exploring the same Bible passage as the adults in the main service. The children also receive a blessing at the communion rail when the main congregation receives communion.

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What is Trinity Sunday?

The concept of the Trinity can feel difficult to understand. Many people find themselves confused when trying to grasp how God can be three distinct persons while remaining one singular entity. At its most basic level, the Trinity is simply described as one God in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. This idea forms the bedrock of Christian faith and worship across the globe.



Trinity Sunday exists specifically to give believers a dedicated time to reflect on this. It is a day to pause, look closely at the nature of God, and celebrate the relationship between the Creator, the Saviour, and the Spirit. Theologians often refer to the Trinity as a “mystery,” which means it is a truth so vast and deep that the human mind cannot fully comprehend it. It is a reality to be experienced and revered.

This special day always falls exactly one week after Pentecost Sunday. In the liturgical calendar, Pentecost marks the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church. Following that milestone, Trinity Sunday serves as a moment to honour the complete revelation of God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It is the first Sunday in the long church season known as Ordinary Time.

You will not find the specific word “Trinity” in the Bible. However, the concept is revealed clearly across Scripture. A key passage is in Matthew 28:19 and we will be looking at that today. Jesus instructs his followers to baptise people **“in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”** Notice that “name” is singular, yet it applies to all three persons.

Another verse is 2 Corinthians 13:14. The Apostle Paul writes, **“May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.”** This verse perfectly captures the distinct presence of all three persons working together in harmony.

Café news



Café in the Park is run by volunteers who have a habit of going on holiday in May, June and July before the school holidays start. In previous years they have kindly spread their holidays out and Café has not been affected. This time when putting together the summer rota Naomi found the majority of volunteers and some of the bakers are all on their separate holidays the same week.

So it has been decided to **cancel Tuesday 16th June**. Please don't turn up that day as they won't be there!

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