



MARCH 2022



All Saints' Church
Preston on Tees

What is God Doing?

As God leads us forwards this year, I wanted to share with you some of the ways God is working at the moment:

He is leading new people to faith. We have seen this through the Exploring Faith course which will run again during the year as well as the baptism course.



He is leading many to commit in greater ways to God. 10 people are to be baptised next month, all of whom have been sharing the way God has drawn them to him and how they have grown to love him in response. We will celebrate with them on the 3rd April.

New Life Groups have started including a great group for those in their twenties, and we are seeking to connect more to one another and to encourage each other in faith. He has been leading many of us to see the whole of our lives as an opportunity for God to work. This month we will be making a mural of all the places we find ourselves during the week. Greater celebration of how God uses us when not in the building will build our confidence in all He can do if we will trust Him.



He has been growing gifts and abilities in people both young and old. We have seen this through the Youth Apprenticeships which over the first 5 months of the year saw many people discover passions and gifts God has for them. We have also stated to see this through the Shapes Course where we have reflected on our gifts and talents and how God may be prompting us in service.



Pioneer Think Tank



God has started to lead us to begin new things in our communities. Through the Pioneer Think Tank which has just begun, we have started to hear the new ideas God has been giving you; ministries which will lead us to be a blessing to those in the community.

Prayer and worship is at the heart of who we are as a church, and God has prompted many of us to pray for our communities and ourselves. This has led to the growth of the Monthly Prayer meeting, and the start of the monthly evening service Encounter, where we will be practicing listening to God.



So can I encourage you to bring this question more and more into your life groups, and ministries and friendships within the church; 'What Has God Been Doing This Week?'. You will be encouraged in the sharing and encouraged in what you hear from others.

Bless you.

Matt Levinsohn



Life Group

Our Life group is a safe place where we can share life's events and know there is support/prayer/care. We enjoy fellowship together, pray together, laugh together and share life together resulting in a bond of friendship and growth in our faith. During lockdown we continued our meetings on zoom and used our WhatsApp group to share what we were going through, some 'funnies', prayer requests etc.

Comments from members:

"I can recharge my batteries in a loving environment"

"There are no silly or awkward questions"

"Before joining the LG I didn't feel part of All Saints', now I couldn't imagine not belonging to a LG.

"I've met new people and made Christian friends"

"We share our faith with one another by leading and receiving God's Word"

"I can be myself"

"You get different perspectives from God's word when you share with others"

"The topics we've discussed have been very informative and engaging"

We meet every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month in the home of Kay & Sola on the Kingsmead Estate.

We have a cuppa and a chat followed by a study (using a book or video) decided by the members and led by one of us and sing our praises to the Lord.

Recently we have been blessed by looking at Old Testament Kings. After sharing any concerns, we pray for each other. Each term we begin with a sharing/praying evening and end with a social.

Also, we prayerfully support Mark & Gill Newham who seek to encourage and guide Mongolians in their missionary exploits. We've enjoyed zoom calls with them, asking each other questions. We have 9 regular members with Craig leaving us to move up to Scotland. However, he was able to continue to meet with us (on zoom) until he got settled in his new church.

Pamela Rushton



PCC Update

Since the last time I wrote, the PCC and Wardens have been very active.

We have started to organise our five yearly inspection of the buildings, have organised for the trees at the front of church to be cut, and have had the roof repaired.

John as our treasurer has continued to ensure we step out in faith whilst balancing our books.

The Discipleship Working Group has led the Shapes course which will repeat in April.

The Social Working Group is currently working on a monthly social to help people join the church and feel connected.

The PCC have seen the Staff Management team conduct appraisals for all staff and continue to be grateful for the excellent team we have at All Saints.

This month we will be starting to advertise using banners approved by the PCC and are mid-way through updating the website.

As we look towards the annual meeting of the church, some members of the PCC will be standing again for election, and others are stepping down which opens up the opportunity for others to join. If you feel that could be you, please do talk to one of the wardens or to Matt.

Matt Levinsohn

Mexico

We are excited to say that after two postponements due to COVID, our Mexico mission trip is finally taking place this year!

The trip (originally scheduled for 2020) will go ahead from 8th-19th April. There are 13 of us in the team, some of whom were young people when they signed up and are now at university or have jobs! Two of our team are under 18. The trip now has added complications associated with COVID, but we are ready to step out in faith and trust God to be with us throughout. We would value your prayers as we go!

I have asked the amazing Grace Wheeldon to share her thoughts on the trip below:

I just wanted to say a few words about what we will be doing in Mexico.

Being one of the youngest members of the Mexico team, I sometimes felt like I would be less able to be used by God to help people.

We will be going to the north of Mexico, to Tijuana which is a very deprived area. Whilst there we will be working as a group for five days to build a house for a family in need. Housing is a basic necessity that I have never had to live without, and no one should have to. I believe that going to Mexico will not only allow me to build relationships with the whole team but strengthen my relationship with God as I help live out his will on earth.

For me and everyone else going, Mexico will be a life changing trip - but our work will also be life changing for the family in Mexico too, as they will have a safe home to raise their children in. As a Christian, this is important to me as I feel like God calls us to help others in need and through our Mexico trip, we will be able to do this!!

I wanted to end by saying a huge thank you to everyone who has supported us to get to Mexico, it honestly means the world to me and the entire team!!!

Kathryn Belmont and Grace Wheeldon

Social Working Party

The Social Group is made up of Simon Honeywell, Gilly Davison, Anna Levin, Hannah Daniels, Tim Wye-Williams, and Lucy Falcus. We have been given the brief to think about how we can encourage those in the church to feel connected to each other, and to make it easy for people to join the church even before they believe – to put it simply, how do we build our relationships with each other and really become a welcoming family?

So far, the social group has organised one event – the Christmas party which ended up as a zoom event because of high covid rates at the time but was still a fun way to celebrate together.

The social group has not been formed to plan and run every social event from now on; rather we want to have an overview of what is going on to ensure we are catering for all – especially the groups who previously may have felt left out or struggled to engage. We will work with the communications group and Shiromi in the office to make sure we publicise what is going on and make it clear to church members which events might be good to bring friends along to.

Coming up in the next few months we are going to organise some social events aimed at adults in our church family – think takeaway nights, board games evenings, watching films etc and we would love to see people come along and get to know friends better, or connect with people they don't know already.

If you have an idea for a social event, want to plan something for the church, or are a leader in one of the church ministries and have an event coming up please talk to Simon Honeywell or Lucy Falcus so we can add it to our calendar and support you if needed. If you think there is a 'gap in the market' for a particular type of activity do speak to us also. Above all please turn up, connect, laugh and enjoy each other's company.

Lucy Falcus





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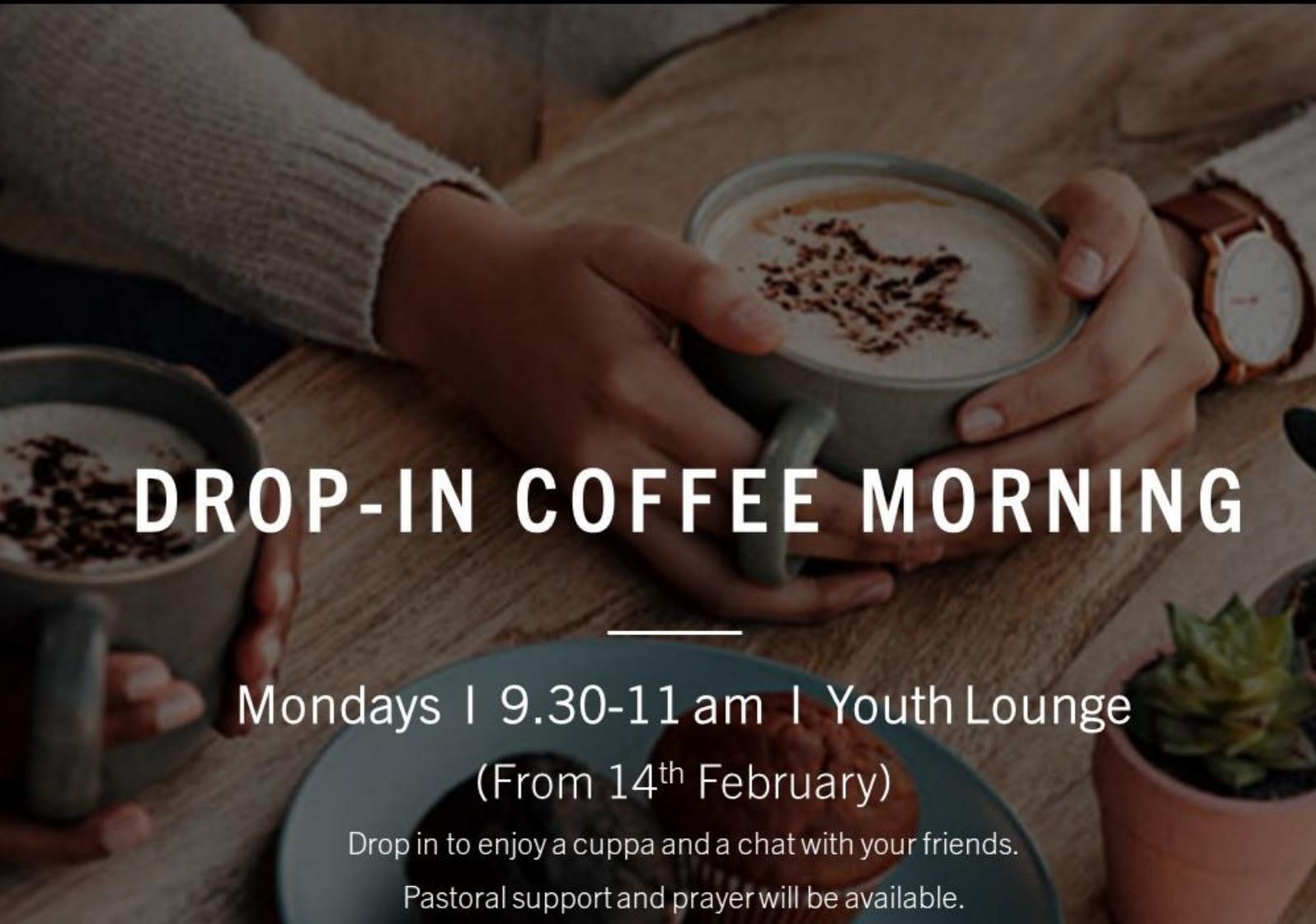
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28 JULY
2022

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There is a big group going from All Saints and it will be a great chance to get to know each other better and have fun while we worship God and listen to great speakers. It may be possible to come along as a day guest if you can't make the full week. Please speak to Matt or contact the office for more details.



DROP-IN COFFEE MORNING

Mondays | 9.30-11 am | Youth Lounge
(From 14th February)

Drop in to enjoy a cuppa and a chat with your friends.
Pastoral support and prayer will be available.

DATES – MARCH 2022

LEADERSHIP

Standing Committee

Mon 7 Mar 7.30pm - Centre

PCC

Mon 21 Mar 7.30pm – Church

PRAYER

Morning Prayer

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri, 9.10am, by
Zoom: 835 4592 5539,

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83545925539>

Prayer & Worship Meeting

Sat 12 Mar 10am-11am
Meeting Room

Encounter

Sun 27 Mar 6.30pm-8.30pm
Church

MIDWEEK

Informal Holy Communion

Wed 9.30am - Centre

Life Groups – various days/times

see noticeboard in Centre

Connect Lunch Club

Tues 8 Mar 12pm

Connect Seated Exercise

Tues 1pm (2pm on Lunch Club
days) - Centre

Joyful Craft

Thurs 1.30pm-3pm, Centre

Drop-In Coffee Mornings

Mondays
9.30am-11am Youth Room

OTHER

Pioneer Think Tank

Next on Weds 6 April 8-9pm
Vicarage

Baptism Preparation Course

Sun 6 Mar & Sun 20 Mar 3pm-5pm
Meeting Room

YOUTH

Youth Life Groups

Wed, 6-8pm – everyone to start
in the Youth Rooms

Youth Club

Fri, 7-9pm – Centre

Youth Church – during our Sunday

10.30am service, – Youth Rooms

Boys' Club

Mon, 4-5.30pm - Centre

Doulos Youth Leadership Training

Mon 14 Mar 7pm-9pm – Youth &
Meeting Rooms

Café Church

Tues 8 Mar 6pm-7.30pm Costa Yarm

Refresh

Next on Sun 24 April 6pm-8pm Centre

Youth Apprenticeships

Sun 20 Mar
during the 10.30am service

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Toddlers

Thurs (term-time),
9.45am -11.30am - Centre

Play and Praise

Fri (term-time),
10.15am-11.45am – Centre

Gems (babies - reception) and
Trailblazers (Y1-Y6), during our
Sunday 10.30am service
– Centre & Meeting Room

Puppet Practice

Tues 7pm-9pm – Centre

Messy Church

Sun 13 Mar 3.30pm-5.15pm

Life Exhibition

Sat 19 March – Fri 25 March, Hall

SERVICES – MARCH 2022

SUNDAY 6 MARCH

Jesus Teaches on Spiritual Opposition

Luke 11:14-26, John 10:1-10

9am Communion

10.30am Communion

Preacher Andrew Killick

SUNDAY 13 MARCH

The Kingdom Advances

Luke 13:18-20, Revelation 1:4-8

9am Morning Worship

10.30am Morning Worship

Preacher Rachael Phillips

SUNDAY 20 MARCH

The Cost of Discipleship

Luke 14:25-35, Hebrews 11:24-40

9am Morning Worship

10.30am Morning Worship

Preacher David Emerton

SUNDAY 27 MARCH

Mothers' Day

Faithful With What's in Our Hands

Luke 16:1-13, Genesis 41:39-52

9am Morning Worship

10.30am Morning Worship

Preacher Rachel Levinsohn

You can also watch our live-streamed 10.30am services on our YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/AllSaintsVideo>

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