

Church Notices

Week beginning Sunday 23 July 2023

A Prayer for this Week:

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Notes:

Please note that The Singing Kettle is taking a break over the summer – no meeting in July or August. We'll see you on 28 September!

Please note next Sunday 30th July is a United Service for both Churches at St Matthews @ **10:45am** – there is no service at St Cross.

Calendar

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| Sunday 23 July Trinity 7 (Green) | 8:00 AM | Holy Communion | St Matthew's |
| | 9:30 AM | Holy Communion | St Cross |
| | 10:45 AM | Morning Worship | St Matthew's |
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| Monday 24 | | | |
| Tuesday 25 | 10-12PM | Coffee Morning | St Cross |
| Wednesday 26 | 9-11AM | Coffee Morning | St Matthew's |
| Thursday 27 | 10.30 AM | Holy Communion | St Matthew's |
| Friday 28 | | No Praise & Play | |
| Saturday 29 | | | |
| Sunday 30 July Trinity 8 (Green) | | No Service at St Cross | |
| | | United Service at St Matthew's | |
| | 10:45 AM | United Service | St Matthew's |

For further information on St Matthew's Church activities and if you are unable to join us in Church, the St Matthew's Sunday Service can be viewed online at <https://www.stmatthewschurchstretton.org.uk>

For Your Prayers

Baptisms

Robin ROGERSON, being baptised at St Cross next Sunday (30 July)

Weddings

Verity ROSENBURGH & Martin CATTERALL who were married at St Matthew's yesterday (22nd July)

Funerals

We pray for the family and friends of Marjorie Richards

Creamfields & Jammy Dodgers

Linda is collecting donations of Jammy Dodgers (any flavours) for The Church at Creamfields which is two tents on the festival site over the August Bank Holiday. Festival attenders are free to go and have a chat, a drink of water and a jammy dodger (as they have a heart in the middle). If you would like to donate a packet or two, please leave them at either Church, and Linda will keep them until the festival starts.

Sunday Morning Activities with Children at St Matthew's

We are hoping to re-introduce activities for children as part of our Sunday morning worship at St Matthew's. We are looking for a team of volunteers who could be available initially on the first Sunday of each month to run children's activities at the back of Church. If you are interested and want to know more, please talk to Alan. A meeting has been arranged for anyone interested on Wednesday 26th July at 7:30pm in Church.

Thank You

To everyone involved in getting St Matthew's back to full use. It has been a lot of hard work and effort by a small number of people, which is truly appreciated.

Confirmation

Do you know anyone who is interested in being confirmed? The Bishop of Birkenhead is visiting St Matthew's in September and will undertake a Confirmation Service if there are candidates wishing to be confirmed. Please contact Alan if you/ someone you know would like to know more.