

14th to 21st April 2024

ST JAMES, BREAM



Love that never fades: Jesus, our first love

Steve Harrison

We start a new series this Sunday using the prophecies in Revelation to the Seven Churches in Asia Minor. We welcome Rev Dr Tudor Griffiths to our service as he shares with us some truths about the church in Ephesus. The Ephesian church had much to commend them. They worked hard, they had great endurance for the Gospel, they were firmly standing against evil and false prophets and yet the very thing which brings life and hope they had lost, their love for Jesus. How sad that we would love being right, love working dutifully for the church, love identifying error more than we love Jesus.

The whole body of writing to the Seven Churches is a salient warning to us at St James, and to the church at large, to never get comfortable, to never think we have arrived, to never settle back on our laurels. They say that the difference between a rut and a grave is the depth. My hope is that we as a church would always strive to ensure that we aren't so comfortable in our ruts that we find we are in a grave without even knowing it. There is so much that is amazing about St James, especially a lot of truly kind and faithful people. But church, let us never cease striving to be the church God wants us to be. Take note over the next seven weeks, let this be a time of prophetic reflection as we allow God's Holy Spirit to challenge us to be what He wants us to be.

God bless as He uses you to build His Kingdom in this place at this time.

Coming up:

Sunday 14th April
10:30 Communion - Church

Monday 15th April
9:30 Under 5's - Centre

Tuesday 16th April
13:00 Crafty Afternoon - Centre
18:15 Puppet practice - Centre

Wednesday 17th April
8:00 Prayers - Centre
12:00 Under 5's - Centre
16:00 Messy Church - Church
and Centre
18:30 Soaking - Sofa Room

Thursday 18th April
19:30 Healing - Prayer Room

Friday 19th April
12:30 Lunch Club - Centre

Sunday 21st April
10:30 Worship - Church

Tuesday 23rd April
19:00 Music practice - Church

Sunday 28th April
18:00 Worship night

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WORSHIP NIGHT

Join us for an intimate time of worship on the 28th April at 18:00. In Psalm 105:4 we are exhorted to 'Seek the Lord and His strength; seek His presence continually'. Worship Night helps us do exactly that.

LINKING LIVES

Linking Lives is a wonderful ministry and is, at the heart of it, a befriending service for people who are feeling alone. Join us on Saturday 27th April between 10:30 and 12:30 at the Church Centre, enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and cake to find out a bit more about this ministry. You are assured of a warm welcome

Cafe Church

Our next Cafe Church is on the 28th April. We are planning on changing the format of this service - including our young people in the planning and presenting of the service, we will keep Open the Book and the cafe part will be at the end of the service. The 9:00 communion will still take place on that Sunday.

APCM - 19th May

We will be holding our APCM (a CofE term for AGM) on Sunday the 19th May after the 10:30 service. We will have the reports available the week before the APCM on email and hard-copies in the church so that they don't need to be presented verbally.



We would love you to join us at New Wine United in Shepton Mallett this year. There is one week only, 25-30 July, and it promises to be a wonderful time of refreshing and challenge. If you are camping make sure to enter St James, Bream, GL15 6ES so that we get to camp together.

Let's make this a definite YES and build some memories. Here's the link:

<https://www.new-wine.org/events/newwine24/>

LOVE THAT NEVER FADES The Seven Churches

21st April - Pergamum (Error)

28th April - Smyrna (Faithful)

5th May - Thyatira (Tolerance)

12th May - Sardis (Dead)

Safeguarding

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