

ELDERSHIP TEAM

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Collect

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Information

Fellowship News is now being sent out by email to everyone who has given consent under GDPR. If you do not wish to receive Fellowship News by email then please let Lois know. Thank you.

Fellowship News

Welcome to everyone

If this is your first time with us, or you are visiting today, then a very special welcome to you: we hope you have a great time with us. Please do make yourself known to one of the welcoming or leadership team, who will be able to tell you more about life at St Helens and St Barnabas. Refreshments are served after both services; in church at St Barnabas, and in the church hall at St Helens. Please do join us!

At St Helens, children start their worship with us in church, and then go to the church hall for their various groups.

Keep in Touch

For more information on the life of our church and the various activities to get involved with:



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Today

9.00am at St Barnabas
10.30am at St Helens

Today in our service of Morning Worship our theme is "Founded on Christ" and our reading is 1 Corinthians 3: 5—23 (Page 1146)

13th October

9.00am at St Barnabas
10.30am at St Helens

Next week in our service of Holy Communion our theme is "Servants of Christ" and our reading will be 1 Corinthians 4 (Page 1146).

Kids Church

Little Saints (Reception to Year 4) meets in the hall. RS1 (Year 5 upwards) meets in the upstairs room in Church House Crèche (0—3) meets in the hall. At present this is an unsupervised crèche so children need to be accompanied.

Our Mission Statement

Our vision is to be a healing community, loving like Jesus; growing His Kingdom in our families, church life, town, nation and world.

Weekly Diary

Today	2.30pm	Combe Valley	1st Sunday Walk (see below)
Monday 7th	9.15am	Church House	Elder's meeting
	12.45pm	St Barnabas	Monday Prayer
Tuesday 8th	10.00am	St Barnabas	Art Group
Wednesday 9th	9.30am	St Helen's Hall	Happy Hands
	9.30am—12.30pm	Church House	Prayer Room Open
	11.00am	St Barnabas	Holy Communion
	12.30pm	St Helen's Hall	Alpha Course
	1.45pm	St Barnabas	CAMEO (see below)
Thursday 10th	7.30pm	St Helen	Worship Team
Friday 11th	7.15pm	St Barnabas	Film Night
	7.30pm	St Helen's Hall	Youth Group

Notices

FELLOWSHIP NEWS ITEMS DEADLINE: 6PM WEDNESDAY

PRAYER MINISTRY is offered at the end of the service at St Helen's Church each Sunday. To arrange prayer during the week please contact:

Leader: Lynn White

Organiser: June Potter

PRAYER IN CHURCH HOUSE Prayer for the service at St Helens takes place in Church House from 10am each Sunday. All welcome!

PRAYER ROOM OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY ! The former creche room in Church House is open as a prayer room between 9.30am and 12.30pm each Wednesday. Colossians 4:2 'Devote yourselves to prayer...'

HAPPY HANDS BABY & TODDLER GROUP on Wednesday mornings during term time in St Helen's Hall. Tea/Coffee served from 9.30am. All welcome!

HASTINGS FOODBANK URGENTLY NEED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS: Tinned Meat, Tinned Fish, Tinned potatoes, Rice Pudding, Tinned vegetables, Custard, pasta, pasta sauce, long-life juice, teabags and coffee. They also like to give sweet and savoury snacks when possible and are out of stock of these too!

SALVATION ARMY FOODBANK: The donations of food received today will go to the Salvation Army foodbank.

ST HELEN'S CHURCH BOILER: The installation of the new boiler will be starting on Monday 14th October. As a result St Helen's will be out of action for 2 or 3 weeks. **The 10.30am Sunday service on Sunday 20th October and Sunday 27th October (and potentially Sunday 3rd November) will take place in St Helen's Hall.** Donations towards the cost of the new Boiler are still being taken, and if you wish to donate anonymously, please place cash in an envelope marked 'Boiler Appeal', and place in the plate in either church.

Notices

STORAGE NEEDED FOR CAR - One of our fellowship is looking for off road storage to keep her much loved 1969 Morris Minor which is SORned and awaiting her being able to afford repairs. Due to financial constraints she cannot afford to pay any rent at present. Contact the church office if you can help.

HASTINGS DAY OF PRAYER—12th October from 9am until 4pm at Wellington Square Baptist Church. You are invited to join this day of prayer—come for as long as you want and spend time in God's presence. Every hour of prayer starts with 10 –15 minutes of guided prayer, the rest of the time is open. There will be prayer stations to explore, people to pray with and room for you to pray in freedom, Spirit and truth. We invite you to come especially to the last hour, which we will spend together in worship and prayer as the church united in Hastings & St Leonards. We will end this day with a cream tea.

LOAF FIRST SUNDAY WALK OCTOBER - TODAY: We will meet at 2:30 pm at the car park for the Combe Valley Country Park adjacent to the Garden Centre (was Wyevale but now owned by Blackbrooks) off the Bexhill Road. We will explore the Combe Valley, in the course of which we will be able to survey the 'Tip' from a full circle of viewpoints. The walk will be between 3 and 4 miles in length.

At **CAMEO** this Wednesday (9th), Stuart Robathan invites members to 'NAME A WARD' - to exercise our minds (?). Another mystery to solve, beginning at 1.45pm at St Barnabas. All welcome!

YOUR MIND MATTERS! Mental health is not only a hot topic in the news but an on-going challenge for many people. Christians have a vital role to play in pastoral care. Church Together in Hastings and St Leonards are holding a morning for lay pastors and teams involved in caring for those with mental health conditions. Speakers include Professor Tom Craig and Dr Shakil Malik. **Saturday 9th November at St Barnabas Church from 11am to 1pm.** To book, please contact Canon Penny Avann (by 27th October)

During the first week of November Karen Walker will be completing a **300KM CHARITY CYCLE RIDE IN KENYA** from Nairobi down and across the Great Rift Valley and beyond. The money raised will go to Sevenoak Kenya Education Trust (www.sket.org.uk) a local charity which helps to improve the education of children in poor rural villages. If anyone would like to know more or to sponsor her please speak to her or go to her Virgin page at <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/team/ShelleyandKaren>. She would also value your prayers during this trip.

HASTINGS FOODBANK would like to thank the congregations of St Helen and St Barnabas for the support received throughout the year and in particularly the Harvest Festival donation. We are humbled and grateful for the tremendous support we receive from the numerous Christian communities across the town. Thank you!