



Look to the Lord and
his strength; seek his
face always

1 Chronicles 16:11 (NIV)

Sunday 1st March 2026

10am – Holy Communion

This week

Monday 2nd March

9:15am Morning prayer
7:30pm Lent course

Tuesday 3rd March

11am Addington School Cafe
1:30pm Lent course
5pm Rainbows
6pm Brownies
7:30pm Guides

Wednesday 4th March

10am Daytime Homegroup
10am Midweek Communion
1pm Toddlers
5:30pm Puppets
5:45pm Brownies
7:30pm Guides and Rangers

Thursday 5th March

11am—1:30pm Café
11am Hong Kong Support Group
4:30pm Rainbows
5:45pm Brownies
7pm Guides

Friday 6th March

10am Friday Friends
8pm Music Practice

Sunday 8th March

10am Morning Worship

Pre-School

Pre-School is open from 8:45am to 3:45pm Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and Wednesdays from 8:45am –12pm in term time

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Notices

Confirmation Service

St John's will be hosting a service of Confirmation with Bishop Mary on Sunday 24th May at 4pm. This is open to anyone from other churches, include St James', who is interested in getting Confirmed as a next step on their journey of faith. If you would like to know more about Confirmation, please get in touch with Laurence or Linda!

Eco Prayer and tip

Have your thoughts turned to spring cleaning yet? It's a great time to sort out and refresh our homes and prepare for the seasons ahead. Please think carefully about what you do with what you no longer need. Keep in mind the question - can this be recycled, repurposed, repaired, or donated? Can you use eco-friendly alternatives to conventional cleaning products? Come and join the Eco Team for a spring tidy up in the church garden on Saturday 28th February at 10am.

Creator God, as the world wakes from the quiet of winter, we see the beauty of your creation and the mess we have sometimes left behind. As we clean our homes, gardens, and communities this spring, guide our hands to mend and restore. Help us to recycle, repurpose, and reduce our waste. May our tidy spaces reflect our respect for the Earth, our common home. Let us tread gently, leaving room for all creatures to thrive. Amen.



Prayer for Woodley Schools

Give thanks for the 4 lessons this past half term. For discussions and questions raised by pupils.

Pray for all the prep for the lessons booked in for next half term.

Pray for enough volunteers to deliver all the lessons that have been booked

Pray that the passion for our faith will shine through all we do and say to both staff and pupils

Lessons Spring 2

Mon 23 Feb	Highwood Yr 4	Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?
Tues 24 Feb	Highwood Yr 2	How important is it to Christians that Jesus came back to life after his crucifixion?
Mon 2 March	Southlake Yr 1	What did Jesus teach his followers (The lost son + Easter)
Tues 3 March	Southlake Yr 4	Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?
9&10 March	Woodley CofE KSI	What do Christians believe God is like?
16&17 March	Woodley CofE UKS2	What difference does the resurrection make for Christians?
Mon 23 March	Southlake EYFS	Visit to Christ church linked with the story of Easter.
Mon 23 March	Woodley CofE EYFS	Easter story
Tues 24 March	Southlake Nursery	Easter Story



ECO TEAM SPRING TIDY UP



FEBRUARY

28

10 AM-12 NOON

Join the Eco Team to help tidy the church grounds and get the garden ready for the spring and summer flowers.

Bring your gloves and a few tools and help for an hour or two

Refreshments served.



JOIN US FOR

ECO TEAM SPRING LITTER PICK

Saturday 25th April

Meet in the church car park at **10 am**

Bags, pick and holders are provided.

Please bring your own gloves

Refreshments and biscuits served in the church from

11am -12 Noon.

Our 2026 FOCUS



THE HOLY SPIRIT

Continuing our journey
of discipleship together

Growing in confidence as we
explore new areas of faith

Discovering our own God-given
gifts, and how to use them

Homegroups

Please see below details of some of the homegroups that meet during the week and contact details for each:

Monday 7:45pm at 104 Wheble Drive, contact - Alison Mullens - 07904039363.

Tuesday 2pm Daytime homegroup at St James, contact David Bagwell - davidgbagwell@gmail.com

Wednesday 9:45am Daytime homegroup at St James, contact Judith Hansford.

Wednesday 7:30 pm various homes, contact Pete and Chris Clarke - 07742953071
peteandchris@talktalk.net

Wednesday 8pm on Zoom , contact - Jane Fulford - 0776 494 7495
jfulford49@gmail.com

Wednesday 8pm weekly at 97 Reading Road. Contact Laurence or Hannah - laurence.smith@stjameswoodley.org

Thursday 8pm at 17 Harris Close, Woodley. Kelly Robinson and Jeremy Galpin are joint leaders and would love some new members.

Sunday 12:30pm Cantonese group meeting fortnightly.
Contact Eric or Phylis - 07394 139548