

St Richard's Crowborough – News update 6 June 2021

Sunday 6 June 2021 – All Age service

Genesis 16:1-17:14 – Abraham makes his own plans!
(Ben Thorndike preaching & leading)

9.15am Morning service over Zoom

(Zoom meeting open from 9.00am)

10.45am All Age Service in the building – no Sunday Club

(doors open from 10.30am)

Final hymn to be sung outside together – print off the words on this news sheet and bring with you!

Sunday evening at All Saints, 6.30pm – *if you want two services, book a seat in the building via their website, or tune in to the All Saints Live Stream for the evening service: allsaintscrowborough.org/live*

SUNDAYS AT ST RICHARD'S

- We hope to return more fully to the building on 27 June – with a 'Bring Your Own' lunch after the service.

Sunday 27 June – Bring Your Own picnic lunch to eat together after the 10.45am service

- We plan to Zoom broadcast the 10.45am service from 27 June until the end of July.
- Children & Young People's groups plan to return to more normal patterns (no family bubbles) in July.

CHURCH NEWS AND COMING UP...

- **Weekly lunchtime prayers AT ST RICHARD'S – Wednesday 9 June, 12.00-12.45pm.** A time of fellowship around God's word and prayer. Join with us to pray for our church, our community and the world. Bring your own sandwiches to share time together over lunch too if you would like.
- **Joyce Newman's funeral.** Joyce's funeral is on Tuesday 22 June, 2.30pm. In order to accommodate as many people as possible, this will take place at All Saints church. Due to limited numbers, people will need to request a seat and give contact details. If you would like to attend, please contact St Richard's Church office in the first instance.

Men and women of the church family

Things are opening up! Social distancing is reducing! Vaccinations are happening! We are keen to help one another connect back together as a church family. Below are some simple ways to get men and women of the church meeting together over the coming months. *They will also tie into some evangelistic events later in the autumn term and into 2022 (to invite others to) as we prepare for 'St Richard's Passion for Life Mission.'* *More on that to follow!*

These sort of events will be increasingly important in our reconnections together outside Sunday mornings. **So if you are a man or woman of St Richard's, please be encouraged to come along and reconnect together.**

Tues 8 June, 7.30-9.00pm. WOMEN'S 'Cake and Conversation.' An opportunity to open the Bible briefly, pray together, chat more about life as we share Covid-secure cakes, coffee and tea.

Please let Trish Scobell strichardsoffice@gmail.com or Jane Thorndike jane_thorndike@yahoo.co.uk know by end Sunday 6 June if you intend to come – in order to plan food!

Friday 9 July, 7.30-9.00pm. MEN'S 'Take-out and talk-about.' An opportunity to open the Bible briefly, pray together, and chat more about life as we share a suitably prepared (brought in!) 'take away' together.

Saturday 18 September, 2.00-3.30pm. WOMEN'S 'Desserts and discussion.' An opportunity to open the Bible briefly, pray together, and chat more about life – as we share, hopefully by now, a selection of desserts prepared by one another.

Wednesday 6 October, 7.30-9.00pm. MEN'S 'Lager and laughter.' An opportunity to open the Bible briefly, pray together, and chat more about life – as we share a drink or two, and snacks together.

OTHER NEWS...

- **Sussex Gospel Partnership Training day** – did you miss the training day on Tue 25 May, looking at the books of 2 Peter & Jude with Angus MacLeay? Don't worry! The audio and handouts are on the SGP website if you want to catch up: <https://sussexgospelpartnership.org.uk/resources/>

'The church has always faced times of great challenge due to the presence of false teachers – wolves among sheep. But how should we respond? 2 Peter & Jude provide an opportunity to think about how we should contend for the faith in a way which keeps our focus on Christ and the Gospel.'

Next week

Sunday 13 June 2021 – Lord's Supper (in the building)

Morning Service 9.15am (over Zoom)

Lord's Supper 10.45am (in the building) – with Sunday Club

(request a seat by contacting the church office by end Wednesday)

Genesis 17:15-18:15 The Promise of Isaac

(Rob Dillingham preaching & Abi Lattimer leading)