

## St Richard's Crowborough – News update 10 July 2022

**Sunday 10 July 2022**

**Morning service at 10.45am (with Crèche, Sunday Club & Lasers)**

**1 Peter 4: 1-6 Confidence in Christ's example**

(David Buck preaching & Andrew Nicholls leading)

**Sunday evening service at All Saints, 6.30pm** – *Acts 28: 11-31 Bold and Unhindered! Welcome Pete Winstone Goodbye to Kate Dillingham* Come along to All Saints Church or tune in to their Live Stream for the evening service:

[allsaintscrowborough.org/live](http://allsaintscrowborough.org/live)

### CHURCH NEWS AND COMING UP...



#### **Christianity Explored Course –**

Have you missed the latest course? Why not sign up for the next one starting in September  
**at St Richard's church**

If you know somebody who wants to investigate the Christian faith, why not invite them to Christianity Explored. Or it might be you yourself – why not come?

A seven-week course with more chance to dig into questions like “Why believe in Jesus – and what does it mean to be a Christian?” Feel free to come once just to see what it's like.

We make no assumptions and any and all questions are good. You can sit quietly and absorb what you want, or you can raise issues and ask questions that have been bugging you for ages. No pressure. No spin. Just a chance to make up your own mind. Whether you have previous experience of Church, Christians and the Bible, or none at all, everyone is welcome.

**To book a place contact Trish: 01892 611318**

- **Pastoral Surgery** – A key aspect of church life is our spiritual health and wellbeing. As part of this Mark has set up our “Pastoral Surgery” where we can book a slot via Trish. Initially on Tuesday evenings from 7:45pm (Mark’s home or yours) and Thursday afternoons 1:30pm and 4pm at St Richards lounge. A time to share, for prayer and fellowship.
- **Weekly lunchtime prayers at St Richard’s – Wednesday 13 July 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.
- **CONNECT** – (our outreach to children and families) Monday 18 July at 6.45pm. Crafts, games, short bible talk and refreshments - Please spread the word!
- **NEW staff for our Parish.** This time last year Steve Rees had received three notices of staff moving on. One year later we give thanks to God for his provision. Mark who started in January, and now we welcome Nick Ashton (Associate Vicar All Saints) and Pete Winstone (Curate of All Saints). Both Nick and Pete will be dropping into St Richards to preach and lead our Lord’s Supper services. May we pray for them and their families as they settle into Crowborough and our churches.



## OTHER NEWS...

Foodbank - Requests		
Drop in box in entrance hall. Please do not leave frozen/chilled foods or out-of-date items.		
Tinned Meat	Tea and Coffee	Long Life Milk
Tinned Rice Pudding & Custard	Pasta Sauce	Tinned Ravioli/Macaroni Cheese
Long Life Fruit Juice	Long Life Fruit Juice	Squash

## Next Sunday – 17 July 2022

**Lord’s supper (with crèche, Sunday Club & Lasers)**

**1 Peter 4: 7-11 Living as god’s people in light of the end**

(Mark Rapley preaching, Andrew Gibson leading & Steve Rees Lord’s supper)



# SUSSEX GOSPEL PARTNERSHIP

**St Richards church is part of a network of churches in Sussex called the Sussex Gospel Partnership. One aspect of church life that the network does is to offer training opportunities.**

The training courses are for Christians of all ages from different Churches across Sussex and beyond who come together for Biblical instruction and training, and warm fellowship. Through lectures, group work, class discussions and teaching workshops, students on the course gain the following:

- A firm understanding of the Bible & its teaching
- Confidence and ability to share the Bible with others
- A practical understanding of biblical ministry

The result is that you are equipped to be more effective in living for Christ and serving him in the church and the world.

There are two versions to fit most life stages and circumstances

## **The Sussex Ministry Training Course (SMTC)**

This course is run over three 11-week terms on a Tuesday, in Cuckfield, near Haywards Heath, starting in September every year. The course day runs from 10am to 4:15pm at Cuckfield Baptist Church. Students who complete the first year have an option of continuing for a second year that builds on the foundation laid in year one.

## **The Saturday Morning Bible Training Course (SMBTC)**

This course is a cut-down version of year one of the Tuesday course aimed at those who are not free to undertake a week-day course. Students are required to attend once each month (excluding August) from 9:30am to 1:00pm and it takes two years to complete the course. To widen accessibility, the SMBTC is run in various locations across Sussex (East/Mid/West). The next course for 1st year enrolment is due to run from Eastbourne from September 2022 to Summer 2024; for 2nd year students the course continues from September 2022 to summer 2023 in Hove. Students who complete the Saturday course have the option of taking year two of the Tuesday course. The lectures on all our courses are recorded so that students who miss a session are able to catch up on-line.

For more information visit:

<https://sussexgospelpartnership.org.uk/ministries/training-courses/>