

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." Galatians 6:9-10

## WELCOME to St Richard's News & Resources 13 July 2025

# Sunday 13 July

# Lord's supper - 10.45am

(With Sunday Club! Lasers in main service & self-service creche in lounge if needed)

### Colossians 3:16 & Ephesians 5:18-20

(Pete Winstone bringing an interactive session on why we sing & The Lord's supper, & Mark Rapley leading)

while St Richards doesn't have an evening gathering we are welcome to join All Saints from 6.30pm

# Notices

#### Lighthouse – Book the date and your tickets!

This is our summer event for children on Adam Field Recreation Ground run in partnership with Forest Fold Baptist Church.

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August. Crafts, Games, football, short bible talk & BBQ on the Wednesday.

Registration is now open! Please use this <u>link</u> or contact the church office to register – strichardsoffice@gmail.com Tel: 01892 611318.

### **HELPERS NEEDED!**

Please sign up if you have a current DBS and can serve at this event! Sign-up sheet in the entrance hall or let Trish know!

### Find a Church whilst on Holiday

While away over the summer may we encourage us to be an encouragement to the churches where you go. There are some great resources that help us 'find a church'. Click the relevant link for <u>CofE</u> and <u>Evangelical</u>





### What's on in the week

### MONDAYS

• Southern Crowborough Café - First Monday of the month – 10am-12pm. Come for your morning coffee and meet folk from our local community.

#### • Men's Sausage Roll Club - most Monday mornings

If you're free on Monday mornings and would benefit from good company and conversation, then why not join this group. They meet in various places so for more information and the latest rendezvous have a chat with John Wayte.

#### • Southern Crowborough Craft Group - 2-4pm every Monday.

A craft group for anyone who likes to chat over coffee and crafting - meets in the lounge at St Richard's. For more info chat to Rosemary Longley.

#### • Friendship Hour - second Monday of each month from 2.30pm.

This is our companionship group for senior men and women. We have a great team of helpers, and where possible also try to provide transport for anyone who may need it. Please contact Dorothy 01892 655480 d.hards80@btinternet.com (or Frances 01892 661959) for more details. This Monday – Summer Lunch – 12.30 for 1pm. If you haven't signed up but would like to go then please contact Dorothy or Frances ASAP.

 CONNECT Youth Group – 6.45-8pm – Our monthly outreach to young families in the community. Crafts, games & a short bible talk. Next gathering 22<sup>nd</sup> September

## TUESDAYS

#### • Little Seeds Toddler Group 10am till 12pm

Meeting during term time, this provides a welcome meeting place for local parents and carers to socialise and bring their little one to enjoy playing and organised activities. First timers are welcome to come for a taster session just give Sarah a buzz to let us know you're coming.

#### • Heroes (R-Y2) and Adventurers (Y3-Y6) at All Saints

During term time we partner with All Saints in their youth groups. Meeting from 4:30pm to 5:30pm. Hero's meets in the Parish Halls Adventurers in the downstairs hall accessed from the back of All Saints church. For more info email Sarah Thrift sarah@allsaintscrowborough.org

### WEDNESDAYS

#### • Midday prayer at St Richard's – every week 12noon till 1pm

Join with us as we think through what we heard on Sunday and to pray for our church, the community of southern Crowborough, the churches in Crowborough, the CofE and the world.

#### • The Barnabas Support Group - 10.30am – 12noon (usually every third Wednesday)

Meeting in the Downstairs Rooms at All Saints Church to bring together those with dementia or memory loss problems and their carers for encouragement, sharing together, and information. All are welcome to come and join in these Coffee Mornings. For more information, please speak to Frances Sadd.

## THURSDAYS

Monthly Church Family Prayer meeting – Evenings 7.15 for 7.30pm
Come and join us to pray for our world, our nation, our community, our church, and ourselves!
Come when you can go when you must. We finish by 9pm.

## FRIDAYS

#### • Ladies bible study – during term time at St Richard's 10:15 -11.30am

An hour together to enrich our bible knowledge and grow in faith. *This term we are studying Hebrews!* Speak to Trish if you think you'd like to join us!

Table Tennis – 7.30-9.30pm at St Richard's every week
For beginners onwards – Just turn up! £2.50 per person. Bats, balls & a drink included.
For more info contact Andrew Gibson: 01892 663358

## **Opportunities to Grow in our Faith**

# 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. For more info. click <u>here</u> to sign-up click <u>here</u>

#### 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 Hove (near Brighton) from September 2025 to Summer 2027; for 2nd year students the course continues from September 2025 to summer 2026 in Crawley. 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. To sign-up click <u>here</u>. For more information <u>visit here</u>:

## **Opportunities to serve others**

### **Crowborough Foodbank**

St Richard's is a Foodbank collection point, for a list of acceptable items check out their website

### **Crowborough Pantry**

This is open to anyone, regardless of circumstances, and aims to help both the planet and the community, by sharing donated food which would otherwise likely be wasted. You'll find them around the corner in Beechview Parade, Open:

Mondays: 10am until 11am Tuesdays: 2.30pm until 4pm

Thursdays: 6pm until 7pm Saturdays: 10am until 11am



# Next Sunday Sunday 20 July

# Morning service- 10.45am

(With children in the service & Self-service Creche in the lounge if required.)

Exodus 16 Living for God – Trusting in God? Manna, quail & wail!

(David Buck preaching & Dorothy Hards leading)