

News for 11 September 2022



During the official period of mourning for the death of Queen Elizabeth II we will be running our regular events and services but we will keep our condolences area available for anyone that would like to pray or light a candle to commemorate Her late Majesty. There is also a

condolence book that will remain open until after the funeral on Mon 19 September which we intend to screen in church. This will also be a Bank Holiday.

Sun 11 Sept The services this Sunday will include commemorative elements and prayers for the royal family.

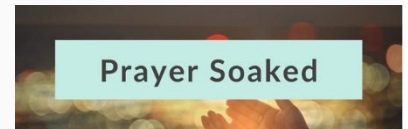
Prayer Soaked 2 - Praying without ceasing

Psalm 139:1-12 and John 6:35-40

10.30am Holy Communion - with groups for children and youth, all welcome, streamed live via [YouTube](#), available shortly thereafter.

To listen live instead, call 020 8191 0680.

6.30pm Evening Worship

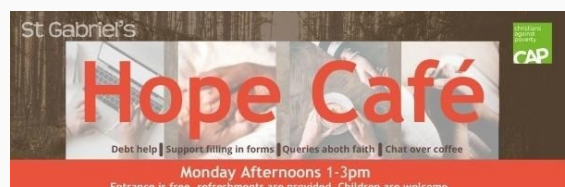


As you know preparations are well under way for our **125 years celebrations on 24 and 25 Sept**. We would like to take the opportunity for anyone that would like to make a one off gift to the life and work of the church in **celebration of 125 years of Christian ministry to invest**

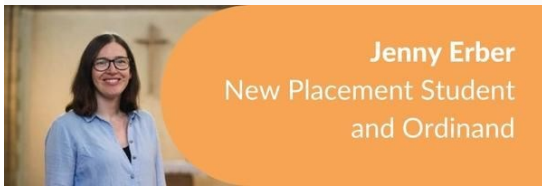
in the next 125 years. We want to use this money to rebuild our "Investing in the Future Fund". This is a fund that builds up over time and consists of other one off gifts, legacies and special payments, that allows the church to focus on mission and growth, rather than day to day running costs. Previously we have used this fund to kickstart the Family and Community ministry funding, rebrand the website and contribute to streaming cameras and visuals equipment. Sadly in light of Covid-19 we have also needed to deplete this fund to cover some of the shortfall from those years. In the future one of our long time goals is to start church planting but as well as this there are a number of things that will need to be done around our building to keep it functioning at its best. There are a number of ways we will encourage you to give but wanted to let you know that there will be a special opportunity to do that on Sun 25 September at our celebration service. Please prayerfully start to consider what your response might be. We have also received a generous offer to match fund any donations made in this way up to the value of £20,000. This will potentially double the donations that are made so please take advantage of this limited time opportunity.

What's on this week?

- Mon 12 Sept 1.00pm [Hope Café](#)
- Mon 12 Sept 8.00pm [English Class](#)
- Tue 13 Sept 7.15am [Prayer Breakfast](#)
- Wed 14 Sept 9.15am [Boogie Angels](#)
- Wed 14 Sept 1.00pm [Wednesday Fellowship](#)
- Fri 16 Sept 7.30pm [Friday Night Youth](#)
- Sat 17 Sept 10.00am [Prayer Ministry Training](#)



Next Sunday 18 Sept Prayer Soaked 3: Praying out loud. 10.30am Morning Worship, 6.30pm Communion



We are delighted to be welcoming Jenny Erber to our staff team as she commences her studies to become a minister in the Church of England. Jenny is married to Lee and they have four children, Reese, Tyler, Matthew and Bethany-Rose. Jenny was formerly the Children's Pastor at St Mark's Kensal Rise.

They will all be in church on Sunday 18 September so please make them feel welcome. Due to the nature of her studies, Jenny will not be with us every week but it won't be long before you see her up the front of church, leading services and preaching so do pray for her and give her lots of encouragement.

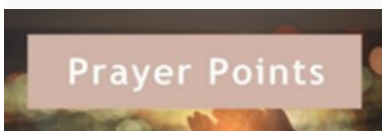
"Fun-fest!" new after-school Children's event Join us at our exciting after-school children's event featuring our Bouncy Ark on **Thu 29 September, 3.30-5pm**. [Click here to book and find out more](#). Please also share the link with a friend - we look forward to seeing you there!

Following our weekend of celebrations for our 125 years, we will be once again **focusing in on some green issues** as we build towards our harvest festival service at the end of the week. You can read all about the plans by visiting st-gabriels.org/green





A number of courses are happening soon at St Gabriel's.
Prayer Ministry Training For all those who would like to know more about praying for others in-person and especially those who would like to help praying at the end of our services. 1 morning. Sat 17 Sept

CAP Money Course To help set your budget and manage your finances. 3 evenings. Starts: Tue 20 Sept
Alpha Looking at the basics of Christian faith - come with your big questions. 7 weeks. Starts: Tue 4 Oct
 More details and how to sign up, coming soon



Do pray during the week for all our events at St Gabriel's, sharing the love in Cricklewood.

Here are some additional topics for prayer:

- Thank God for the life of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. For her grace, her stability and her example of faith and service.
 - Pray for King Charles III as he embarks on his new role and for all the royal family as they also mourn the loss of a much loved matriarch. 
 - Pray for this country, with government changes. Pray for Parliament, facing a variety of complex situations, to make choices based on good values and care for all.
 - Thank God for our regular activities running again after the summer. Pray for new people to join and find faith through their connection with St Gabriel's. Thank God for those helping run the activities.
 - Pray for Hope Café and for those we can help to find their way there.
 - Pray for anyone you know who is bereaved, whether recently or stretching back through covid times. Pray for Peggy's family and friends. Ask for God's presence with them by his comforting Spirit. 
 - Thank God for 125 years of St Gabriel's! If you've been in St Gabriel's for a while now, think back and thank God for people you know who have passed through St Gabriel's and been part of our community. Pray for our 125th Anniversary weekend later in the month, for God to be glorified through all we do together.
 - Pray for those considering confirmation, for confidence to step forward in faith.
- Thank God for one thing every day!