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**THIS SUNDAY | 29th AUG**

**MORNING SERVICE | 10.30am**  
In Church & Online

**FRIENDSHIP | David and Jonathan:  
Sacrificial Love**  
Speaker: Elizabeth Kuperus  
[1 Samuel 20:16-3]

**CHILDREN & YOUTH GROUPS**

**GEMS & PEBBLES** will be pausing over summer and returning in September.

**SUMMIT | 6pm | In Person**



**GOSPEL NIGHT**  
Sun 29th Aug | 6.30pm | Church

A night of unhindered praise and worship led by a gospel band with guest artiste Mins. Segun Praise.

**COMING WEEK**



## Standing in the Gap (Prayer meeting) Saturdays | 7-8am | Online

On Zoom, join us online:  
[Meeting ID: 223 851 1807 | Passcode: inthegap]



## Little Eden Project Sundays | 2pm | St Augustine's Wednesdays | 11am | St Mark's

Come and get stuck in with the garden project that gives. Run by Karen Turnbull.



## Open Church Tuesdays | 10am-12pm | Church

Open Church is back! Come along for a chat, fellowship or private prayer. Refreshments will be served outside. Please be aware masks must be worn inside.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact Dammy via [admin@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:admin@stmarksgillingham.org).



## CRAFT CLUB Tuesdays | 10am-12pm | Open Church

Bring your own craft or join in with craft of the week. For more information email [karenturnbull@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:karenturnbull@stmarksgillingham.org).



## Daily Reflections & Prayers Mondays - Saturdays | 9am & 8pm | Facebook

As of May the new schedule will be:  
**Morning Reflections** | 9am | Mon, Wed, Fri  
**Evening Prayers** | 8pm | Tues, Thurs, Sat

## NEWS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- We are looking for a pick up truck for Mayowa to use for Street Carols this December. If anyone has access to a truck, or knows someone who does please let her know: [mayowa@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:mayowa@stmarksgillingham.org).



- Vicki Watson is on annual leave, so with the bank holiday the office will be closed until next Wednesday. The phone messages and emails will be answered on Wednesday. Please contact Saju if there is an emergency: [vicar@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:vicar@stmarksgillingham.org)



- Joining a **home group** is a brilliant chance to meet and pray with others, build relationships, support one another, exchange views and explore God's word together. Sign up on the website or contact the office.



- Medway Foodbank are running a fundraiser to help fund their new larger warehouse unit. They are needing the larger space to enable them to keep up with the ongoing increased demand for Foodbank support in Medway.



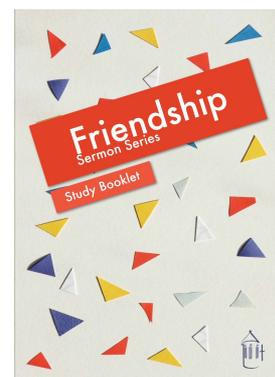
You can donate online:

<https://www.goldengiving.com/fundraising/Warehouse>

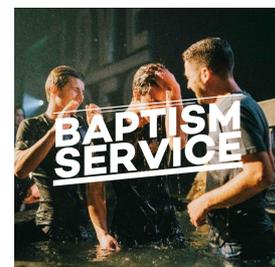
Or donations by cheque can be made out to 'Warehouse Fundraiser' and send to **Medway Foodbank, Unit 26, Riverside 1, Sir Thomas Longley Road, Medway City Estate, Rochester, ME2 4DP**

Many thanks as always for the ongoing support from so many across Medway with food and financial donations. It is all much appreciated as we seek to serve those in need in our community.

- We have produced a **booklet** to accompany the new **Friendship sermon series**, which contains bible readings and questions. You can use the material in your small groups, trios or on your own. Contact the office for a copy.



- On **Sun 19th Sept at 6.30pm** there is going to be a **Baptism Service**, conducted in a covid-safe way. **Baptism** marks the beginning of a journey with God which continues for the rest of our lives, the first step in response to God's love. For all involved it is a joyful moment when we rejoice in what God has done for us in Christ, making serious promises and declaring the faith.



There will be a baptism preparation session on Sun 12th Sept 4 - 6pm. If you are interested in being baptised or in the renewal of baptism please **contact Vicki**, [vicarspa@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:vicarspa@stmarksgillingham.org).

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## PLEASE PRAY FOR

### OUR WORLD:

- **The people of Afghanistan**, that all those seeking safe departure are able to get a seat on one of the relief planes; that there is safe travel and welcome for those seeking refuge in lands bordering their own; that men & boys will be kept safe and women & girls protected; for UNICEF that the Taliban leaders (who have agreed they stay) are able to get this agreement through to their numbers; for the many charities and projects which have been put on hold in compliance with the new leadership; for medical assistance for those in need; and for God's mercy in a tragic and heartrending situation.

### THE UK:

- **Students** as they process their exam results and prepare to go to Sixth Forms, Colleges, Universities and Training Establishments. May they know peace in difficult times. Pray for all those who will be continuing their ongoing studies; and for teachers, tutors, trainers and Chaplains, remembering Lynne Martin.

### GILLINGHAM & MEDWAY:

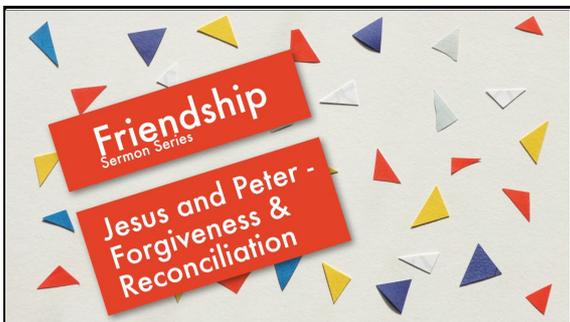
- For God's covering over our **communities** and for opportunities for the love of God to reach each person. For the **name of Jesus** to reach the ears, minds, hearts and souls of those who don't yet know Him, and to be an encouragement to those who do. For **holiday clubs** and organised activities for our children & young people, that they are well run; for fun, laughter & fulfilment, and that they can grow and thrive. Also, for families in the holidays, particularly where life is challenging - may the Lord enable each of us to minister and provide where we are able.

*If you would like to be added to the **Prayer & Praise** email list to receive weekly praise reports and prayer requests from our church family please contact Kath Burtrand: [kathyb.nana@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:kathyb.nana@yahoo.co.uk)*



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## UPCOMING EVENTS



### NEXT SUNDAY

5th Sept | 10.30am  
In Church & Online

### FRIENDSHIP | Jesus & Peter - Forgiveness & Reconciliation

All Age Service  
[John 13: 33-38]

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## HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK



*[Gillingham Park]*

Taken a nice photo of Gillingham? Send it to [digitallead@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:digitallead@stmarksgillingham.org) to be featured in the newsletter.

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