

## Lawn Community Church

www.lawncc.org.uk

### LCC Leadership

Susan Saunders ☎ 346179 **Day off:** Saturday

To find out more about us have a look at the notice board table, our website or our face book page: 'Lawn Community Church'. Feel free to ask any questions you have. We'd love you to begin to feel part of our Church Community on Sundays and during the week.

There are several opportunities to talk and pray with people if you would like. There are people around after the service willing to talk and pray with you.

### Ideas for prayers in the week:

- On your own, consider using our Prayer Diary
- People pray in the week in 2's or 3's.
- In Home groups
- At Prayer meetings on the second and fourth Thursday of the month in Room 1
- We regularly pray for our local schools & staff on Friday mornings during school terms. Contact Janet Roe for dates.
- If anyone has any pastoral concerns or needs to speak or pray with someone please contact an Elder: Susan

### Lawn Community Church Prayer Diary

is produced monthly. If you would like a prayer request included please contact Derek Owen.

### Deadline: Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February

for contributions for the Prayer Diary & Monthly News Sheet. If you have something for the News Sheet please send it to the Editor. [editor4lccns@gmail.com](mailto:editor4lccns@gmail.com)

Feb	Worship	Preach	PA	Lap Top	Set-Up	Refreshments	Welcome	Under 5's	Duty Person
5	Christine	Stephen	Matthew	Ruth	Howard /	Howard, Lillieth, Dorothy	Amy		Howard
12	Keith	Susan	Keith T	Kirit	Keith T / Matthew	Rachel, Frank, Ruth	Roly		Keith T
19	Susan	Derek	Keith T	kirit	Jenny / David W	David W, Gill, Kirit	Liz		Jenny
26	Susan	<b>Alisdair Longwill</b>	Matthew	Howard	Keith S / Simon	Jenny, Crispian, Amy	Dorothy		Keith S
Mar	Rachel	Susan	Keith T	Jenny	Keith T / Stephen	Howard, Lillieth, Dorothy	Amy		Kieth T

### Happy Birthday

3<sup>rd</sup> Dorothy Hudgson 16<sup>th</sup> Howard Patterson  
4<sup>th</sup> Gill Patel 26<sup>th</sup> Aaron Patterson  
12<sup>th</sup> John Roe & 27<sup>th</sup> Katheryn Patterson  
Crispian Garth

### Happy Anniversary

25<sup>th</sup> Any & Gary

### Congratulations!

To Derek & Shirley Owen on the arrival of their first Great Grand Child on Monday 16th January to Rosie Mae!!

### Home groups

Home Groups are starting again. Currently LCC has four groups that meet. We are moving on to another course of study for lent called Lentwise written by Paula Gooder. This series contains five sessions which we will cover in a fortnightly pattern, finishing before Easter. See diary for dates this month. If you like to join a group please talk to Susan Saunders.

February  
2017



Welcome to Lawn  
Community Church



Making Jesus known in Lawn & ... beyond

### New Sermon Series

Doing everything by the book

- Led by Christine Brooke EZRA 3
- Preaching Stephen Brooke

Prayer Meeting  
9<sup>th</sup> February

### The Book of Ezra

Here Comes Trouble

- Led by Keith Saunders EZRA 4
- Preaching Susan Saunders

5<sup>th</sup>

12<sup>th</sup>

10.30 am

Sunday Services  
at Lawn Community Centre



"He said "Love...as I have loved you." We cannot love too much."  
— Amy Carmichael

"This is our God in whom we trust"  
Isaiah 9: 6

19<sup>th</sup>

26<sup>th</sup>

The 'Prosperity Gospel'

- Led by Susan Saunders EZRA 5-6
- Preaching Derek Owen

Prayer



Seeking God

- Led by Susan Saunders
- Preaching Alisdair Longwill

Visiting Preacher

Like to do some back ground reading about Ezra? Some web links with info:

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ezra>  
<https://www.gotquestions.org/Book-of-Ezra.html>

### First Sunday Service in Lent

10.30am 5<sup>th</sup> March

Led by EZRA 7 Preaching Susan Saunders  
Rachel Hudd

### Next Members' Meeting

Room 1 8pm 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2017

Change The World:  
Study the Word

## What's on in February?

2 Thurs	8.00pm	Home Group at Stephen & Christine's
5 Sun	10.30am	Communion Service
6 Mon	2.30pm	Home Group at Derek's
7 Tues	8.00pm	Home Group at Keith's
9 Thurs	1.30pm	Ashbury Lodge & Downs View House
	6.30pm	Thursday Fellowship
	8.00pm	Prayer Meeting
12 Sun	10.30am	Worship Service
16 Thurs	6.45pm	Thursday Fellowship
	8.00pm	Home Group at Stephen & Christine's
19 Sun	10.30am	Worship Service
20 Mon	2.30pm	Home Group at Derek's
21 Tues	8.00pm	Home Group at Keith's
23 Thurs	6.30pm	Thursday Fellowship
	8.00pm	Church Member's Meeting
26 Sun	10.30am	Worship Service

### Monday night Home Group

Please talk to each other/Susan to find out meeting dates.

## March 2017

5 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Communion Service <b>First Sunday in Lent</b>
9 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Prayer Meeting
23 <sup>rd</sup>	8.00pm	Church Members' Meeting

## Enjoy a curry?

### Join Willows for a curry

to raise funds for their work,  
licensed bar & raffle

7.15pm – 9.15pm 21<sup>st</sup> February  
At the Mela an Indian Restaurant  
122 Victoria Road, Swindon SN1 3BH

Tickets: £15  
available from Willows, email  
[receptionmgr@willowscounselling.org.uk](mailto:receptionmgr@willowscounselling.org.uk)  
k to reserve yours.

## From our Finance Director

The Treasurer would like to thank you for your gifts towards the work of the church during the month of December 2016. **Total gifts received** came to £2,764.03 this includes:

£183.50 Christmas Care Project  
£10 BMS Birhtday

### Monthly Mission Giving:

£127 Baptist Missionary Society  
£140 Baptist Home Mission Fund  
£122.50 Willows Trust  
£122.50 Swindon Youth for Christ  
£56.50 Educacion Plus  
£25 Swindon X:site Project

If anyone would like to make a financial gift towards the work of the church, there is an offertory box on the table to the left of the main door or speak to our Treasurer Howard Patterson. For information about Gift Aid, please speak to Jenny Garth.

## Memory Verse for 2017:

Mark 12:30 - 31

Love the Lord God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength."

The second is this: "Love your neighbour as yourself." There is no commandment greater than these.

Prayer is an important part of our relating together.

Prayer meeting on 8pm 9<sup>th</sup> February on in Room 1

## Prayer Ideas

### Prayers from Care's prayer diary

Paper copies ☎020 7233 0455 [www.care.org.uk](http://www.care.org.uk)  
[www.twitter.com/careprayerdiary](http://www.twitter.com/careprayerdiary)

Whom have I in heaven but thee? And there is nothing upon earth that I desire besides thee. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion for ever.' PSALMS 73: 25, 26 (RSV)

1st Dear Lord, please comfort parents of children who have serious disabilities and other life-limiting conditions, especially those who have recently been diagnosed. Grant them the capacity to love deeply and to receive Your strength as they prepare for all the future holds. Amen.

2nd Pray for every effort being made across the world to bring relief to those with impaired vision and hearing loss through relatively simple interventions and aids. Give thanks too for projects that provide wheelchairs for people, giving them new opportunities and hope.

3rd THANKSGIVING: for Livability, a charity with a strong Christian ethos that provides a wide range of disability and community services to support the physical, emotional, spiritual and social needs of all who live with a disability. ([livability.org.uk](http://livability.org.uk))

### Four regular prayer themes

in every LCC monthly news sheet:

- **Area of our Community:** For all who work in Lawn: Medical Centre, Shops & Lawn Primary School to be able to cope with the pressure and be able to enjoy their jobs
- **Organisation or ministry area we support:** Youth for Christ as they seek to support young people in our town through schools and outreach work. Prayer for team to sense God's leading and protection.
- **An aspect of LCC life:** Pray for people to consider God's direction and be inspired to use their gifts in new or creative ways.
- **People within LCC:**
  - Continue to pray for Titch and Mary who are living in residential Care.
  - Pray for Dorothy, Liz and Derek that they may know God's strength.

## Is God calling you to be a Deacon?

Have you considered how you could you your gifts to serve as a Deacon?

Being a Deacon in Lawn Community Church involves being part of a small team and doing various tasks including:

- Working together with Elders
- Discerning and organising what we do with our money/finances.
- Encouraging and giving opportunities for all members to use their gifts
- Making sure we have practical policies in place that help us to meet and behave safely and appropriately.

If you are interested and would like to find out more please speak to a deacon: Jenny, Howard or Keith; or our Elder Susan.

**Restore** – re-homes second hand furniture, if you have any unwanted furniture consider donating it to them. ☎978045 Open 9am – 4pm, St. Johns church hall. Whitbourne Avenue

## The power of prayer

Prayer is powerful. We know how important it is to continually seek God's guidance as we do our work here at BMS World Mission. And we know prayer makes a difference in the work we do.

Your prayers also make a difference to BMS as a whole. We hope you'll join us on our

### Annual Day of Prayer On 5th February 2017

Churches, small groups and believers around the world will be praying – and we hope you will too! Check out this year's Day of Prayer – including a new prayer video and the 2017 prayer booklet.

Your prayers always make a difference, thank you!