



ST PETER'S CHURCH
Bayhall Road, Tunbridge Wells

Sunday 14th April

A warm welcome to you all.

**If you are new to St Peter's please make yourself known to
Mike Warren, the Minister, after the service.**

After the service

Refreshments will be served at the front of the church. Before leaving, please stack bibles and welcome cards on a chair at the end of the row, as the church will be cleared for use during the week. Thank you.

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LIFE EXPLORED – for anyone who wants to explore what Jesus Christ has to say about life, and what difference he might make...
Starts Monday 29th April 11.00am at the Vicarage.

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True Freedom Trust (TFT) has, for many years, helped churches and individuals uphold biblical teaching on sexual relationships and gender with understanding and compassion, so that Christians who struggle with same-sex attractions or gender identity gain increasing acceptance, wholeness and maturity in faith within their local church.

We'll be welcoming Rob Wood, Head of Teaching at TFT, to St Peter's on **Sunday 19th May**. He'll preach at our morning service, and after a church family lunch, lead a **seminar for adults**. In the evening he and another member of the team will speak at a **joint SPYCY event** (details of this will be sent to parents nearer the time).

Please do make this a priority – it's the big presenting issue for the church today.

These websites may be of interest: truefreedomtrust.co.uk and livingout.org

There will be a sign up list for lunch: the main course will be Cottage Pie (GF) unless you opt for the Roasted Vegetable Lasagne as an alternative.

Welcome

If you have started coming to St Peter's recently, please complete and hand in a **Welcome card** - you will find them on some of the chair racks.

There is a **crèche** available in the foyer for babies and toddlers during the service. After the service and during refreshments, **parents** are responsible for their children. Please note that on **family service Sundays, the crèche is for 0-5 year olds.**

This Week

Wednesday: ***Friends Together:*** 12.30pm. Bereavement support network, meeting in the lower hall.

Music & Singers' Rehearsal: 7pm in the church.

Please see below for further details of the following Easter events:

Thursday: ***Maundy Thursday Meal & Lord's Supper:*** 7.15pm.

Friday: ***Good Friday Service of Reflections & Testimonies:*** 10am.

Good Friday Town Witness: 11.30am.

Sunday: ***Church Family Service of Celebration:*** 10.30am.

Easter at St Peter's

Maundy Thursday (Thursday 18th April), **A Meal with Jesus** - please sign up on the list in the foyer if you would like to attend the fellowship meal and Lord's Supper, 7.15pm for 7.30pm, here at the church. The main dish will be lamb casserole – please indicate on the sign-up sheet if you require vegetarian, GF or have other dietary requirements or allergies. As usual, there is no charge, but there will be opportunity to make a donation towards the cost of the meal on the evening.

Good Friday (Friday 19th April) - 10am **'Why are you crying?'** A service of Reflections & Testimonies, with Easter activities for children. [Beware: Usual weekday parking restrictions apply]

Good Friday Witness – Tunbridge Wells churches are invited to gather at the Millennium Clock on Friday 19th April by 11.30am. There will be a couple of songs, a Bible Reading and prayers for the town, finishing by 11.45am.

Easter Sunday (Sunday 21st April) – 10.30am **'Death defying'** Our Church Family Celebration will be followed by coffee and hot cross buns.

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Introducing *The Word One To One*

Wednesday 1st May, 7.45 for desserts and coffee, 8pm start. This joint gathering of SPA groups and the whole church family is about equipping us to share the good news with our family and friends, using ***The Word One to One***.

Developed in London by people who were being asked, by their friends, questions about God and the Bible, ***The Word One to One*** is designed in such a way that anybody can use it anywhere, in a coffee shop, at home or in an office. It helps you walk through John's Gospel with your friends, so that they see what the Bible says about who Jesus is, and what He came to do – it includes the Bible passage, questions, answers and side notes. Almost everyone who shares the Bible in this way is asked '***Why has nobody ever shown me this before?***'

SPA groups will spend subsequent meetings looking further at the material. If you aren't currently in a SPA group and would like to be, this is an excellent time to join!

Please come along, whether or not you belong to a SPA group.

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Looking ahead:

- Sat 27th Apr** ***Charity 6-a-side Football Tournament:*** 8.30am-12pm followed by BBQ at Hawkenbury Rec, in aid of Empathy Action. See noticeboard for details.
- Sat 18th May** ***Men's Day – Friendship:*** 9.30am-3pm at St John's Church.
- Sun 19th May** ***True Freedom Trust*** here at St Peter's. See separate notice.
- Sat 8th June** ***Women's Convention – The heart of the matter: Facing emotions wisely:*** 9.45am-3.30pm at All Saints' Church Crowborough. See poster and flyers in the foyer re booking.

**Bishop Paul Hunt & the wardens of Emmanuel Anglican Church invite you to
A Service of Reception into the Free Church of England**



Followed by drinks reception and light refreshments
for Rev'd Dr Peter Sanlon

Thur 25th April, 7:30pm
Number One Centre
1 Rowan Tree Road
Tunbridge Wells
TN2 5PX

RSVP rector@emmanuelanglican.uk

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Missed a talk or want to hear it again? Go to **stpeterstw.com/talks**

Our notices are now uploaded each week as a pdf –
stpeterstw.com/calendar

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***If you would value pastoral one-to-one conversations with Mike or Michele,
please do be in touch.***

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