

SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2024

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## Page Park Praise

Once again, we will (hopefully) venture out into our local community this afternoon for another 'Page Park Praise'. It has become a regular feature of the summer, and is something that we, as a church, look forward to and enjoy – despite the hard work involved. And our efforts are always loved and appreciated by members of the public! I know that today will, once again, be wonderful.

Page Park Praise is an expression of our joy in following the Lord, and it is through us that others in the park will come to experience a measure of that joy for themselves. Joy is infectious. Our joy will spread to those who join us around the bandstand. In turn, they will take some of that joy away to spread to others that they meet – until the whole park is overflowing with joy. What a wonderful outreach this is!

*You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace;  
the mountains and hills will burst into song before you,  
and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.  
[Isaiah 55 v 12](#)*

*Paul Heath*

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## People

We continue to remember Barbara Kingston's family, as they prepare for Barbara's funeral on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30pm at Worcester Crematorium. For those unable to travel to Worcester, the service can be followed on-line. The details to do this are:

- <https://watch.obitus.com>
- User name : Leto6250
- Password: 323572

We were sad to learn that Lynette's mum, Eileen, was promoted to glory on Monday. The funeral has been arranged for Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> July at 2.45 at Westerleigh Crematorium. Our thoughts are with Lynette, her sister, Barbara, and their respective families.

As of writing, Mike Dickens is in hospital for a knee operation, and Margaret Boxell has been given the date of Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> for surgery on her shoulder. Please remember Mike and Margaret in your prayers along with those members of our congregation who are poorly and/or living with long-term health issues.

## Flowers

Thank you, Jenny Andrew, for providing the flowers today at the front of the hall – in memory of your brother, Paul.

## Coffee Morning:

Mary and Nick are coordinating our coffee morning next Saturday. If you are able to support that would be brilliant. If you are able to bake a cake that would be really appreciated. Please let Mary know.

# Altar Service Today for the Big Connection

The Big Connection (previously known as The Big Collection) is a fundraising initiative for The Salvation Army's Social Work Trust.

Now more than ever people are struggling financially and rely on the work of The Salvation Army. This includes supporting people who are experiencing homelessness, providing specialist support for adult survivors of modern slavery, caring for older people in our residential care homes, and offering tailored support to help people become job-ready through Employment Plus.

The appeal runs throughout the year and we are launching the start of the Corps fundraising efforts today. In previous years we have raised between £6,000 to £7,000 (with the exception of the COVID years and during our refurbishment) and would very much like to set this target again for 2024.

During the year we will hold coffee mornings and events where the funds raised will go towards our target. To kick start the appeal, there will be the opportunity to contribute to the appeal by giving during the today's service with the envelopes provided. You may still give during the year by using these envelopes or the other various options available.

- Donate by cash/cheques by using The Big Connection Collection envelopes
- By Card via the card reader
- By using the QR code
- By BACS using the details below
  - Account Name: The Salvation Army
  - Sort Code: 60-01-73
  - Account Number: 00130997



# Carpark

I spent an interesting morning in the loft on Tuesday and found the deeds and the plans for the redevelopment of Staple Hill in the 1960's. These have been sent to our property team at THQ, who have subsequently forwarded them onto our TSA's legal team. Hopefully, they will find some reference to carparking.



As we wait, several people have contacted me to advise that following the redevelopment in 1966, there were allocated carparking spaces. These spaces were identified with signs saying that they were for SA use. I was wondering whether some of you might have photo's taken in the carpark at this time, which would evidence this, and help with our case. If you could have a look, that would be really good.

We were hoping that there would be a public meeting to talk about the effect that changing the use of the carpark will have on the local community, but unfortunately, this hasn't been possible.

# Extended Holiday

As many of you are aware, due to our length of service, Nicola and I have been given two weeks extra holiday (just for this year)! On Tuesday (25<sup>th</sup>), we are taking an extended holiday for 4 weeks - a camping holiday in Scotland. We are grateful to the leadership team for their support in this and their willingness to oversee things while we are away, along with those who have agreed to lead worship. We know you are in safe hands. We're back at the end of July.



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Love God...Love Others

# Page Park Praise

**INCLUDING LIVE MUSIC AND  
CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES FROM  
STAPLE HILL SALVATION ARMY**

**3pm on the following Sundays  
19th May | 23rd June  
14th July | 18th August  
15th September**

The Salvation Army is a Christian Church & Registered Charity in England (No. 214779)

## Coffee Morning

At The Salvation Army, Staple Hill



**This Saturday – 29<sup>th</sup> June  
10 am – 12 noon**

# 2024 dates Including Christmas

An updated list of dates for the rest of 2024 is attached to this bulletin – this includes Christmas dates, so please take note and add them to your calendar, thank you.

## Dates for the Diary

Here are some dates that are coming up soon:

Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Messy Church
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	<i>No Divisional Youth Section</i> Page Park Praise
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> to Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> July	Territorial Music School
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> July	Coffee Morning
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> July	Mission Council Meeting CAMEO Craft Group
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> August	Divisional Junior Camp

## The Week Ahead

### TODAY 23<sup>rd</sup> June:

10am

All Age Worship

'Transformed by Pentecost 5: Philip & the Ethiopian'

[Acts 8: 26-40](#)

*Includes an Altar service for the Big Connection*

11.30am-12:15pm

Children's & Youth Activities

3pm

Page Park Praise

# The Week Ahead [Continued]

## Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June:

8pm CAMEO Craft Group

## Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June:

All day Employment Plus with Tyrone  
10am Keep Fit Class  
11am-12noon Extra Slice Group (leader: Kelvin)  
12pm-2:30pm Open Doors  
From 6:30pm YP Band Practice & Singing Company Practice  
8pm Songster Practice

## Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June:

9:30am-11am Tots on the Hill  
3:30pm-4:30pm Extra Slice Group online (leader: Gerry)  
7:45pm-9pm Extra Slice Group at Kelvin & Linda's house  
8:15pm-9:15pm Extra Slice Group online (leader: Beth)

## Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June:

12.30pm Lunch Club  
7:45pm-9pm Extra Slice Group - *check WhatsApp group for details*  
8:15pm-9:15pm Extra Slice Group online (leaders: Ian & Rachel)

## Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June:

10am-12:30pm Open Doors  
4pm Cleaning Hall

## Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June:

10am-12noon Coffee Morning - *coordinated by Mary and Nick*

## Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June:

10am All Age Worship – *Led by Paul Heath*  
'A heart for God'  
[1 Samuel 16: 1-13](#)  
11.30am-12:15pm Children's & Youth Activities  
12noon Church2U - *in Yate*