



# Youth & Children's Church Newsletter

## Welcome to our July edition!



# Children's Church this month:

**Sunday 2nd July: Ezekiel:**

**Ezekiel 37 V 1-14**

**Sunday 9th July:**

**Forgiven: Adam & Eve**

**Genesis 2 V15-17, 3 V1-7**

**Sunday 16th July:**

**Matthew 13 V1-9 & 18-23**

**Sunday 23rd July:**

**End of term praise party**

**Sunday 30th July: All age service,  
Messy Church style, lead by Nikki**

Check out our YACC webpage & keep up to date  
with all the Sunday Church materials to do at home  
<https://stfranciswgc.org.uk/youth-and-children/>

# Follow that trail!

Have you tried out our monthly trails?

Every month we will put up a new trail around the Church grounds, there are 10 frames to find!

This month's trail is:  
Bugs in the Bible



# Where will your faith lead you to share your talents?

We need adult and teenager volunteers to join the following established committees:

**Events**

Thursday lunches

Intercessions

Inclusive Church

House groups

Refreshments at WGC

Concert Club events

**Website & Sound desk**

**Eco Church**

**Garden team**

**Children's work**

**Youth Group**

**Wild Church**

**Wednesday coffee for all**



Speak to Carol & Rob, our Church wardens

# FAMILY ACTIVITIES TO TRY AT HOME:



## Christian rock painting:



Why not try your hand at decorating some rocks this Summer holidays with a Christian message, picture, symbol or even do a few to create a bible story



Write @stfranciswgc on the back and upload them and tag us on facebook: Welwyn Garden City 'Rocks' #WGCROcks @stfranciswgc



# YOUTH ACTIVITY TO TRY AT HOME:

## WOOL WORDS

Decide a Christian word that you want to spell.

Cut out the letters from thick cardboard or use gardening wire & bend out your word. Choose your coloured wool or yarn and pre-cut lots of pieces of wool & cello tape pieces.

Whilst you wrap the yarn around the letters talk about your journey with God. Where are you going? Where is God leading you? How has God shown you the way? What are nervous about? What are you excited about?

Click here for full details:

<https://get.tithe.ly/blog/youth-group-activities>



# Sunday 30th July: 9.15am service

As some of you may know that each year we have Choir week where our fantastic Choir have a week together in song/fellowship/fun and food during the school holidays. This year they will be singing in Westminster Abbey and St Paul's Cathedral. On Sunday 30th July they will be singing in St Paul's in London. The Church has organised for a coach to take members of the congregation to the service in Cathedral.

Please see sign up sheet in Church for more details./ costs

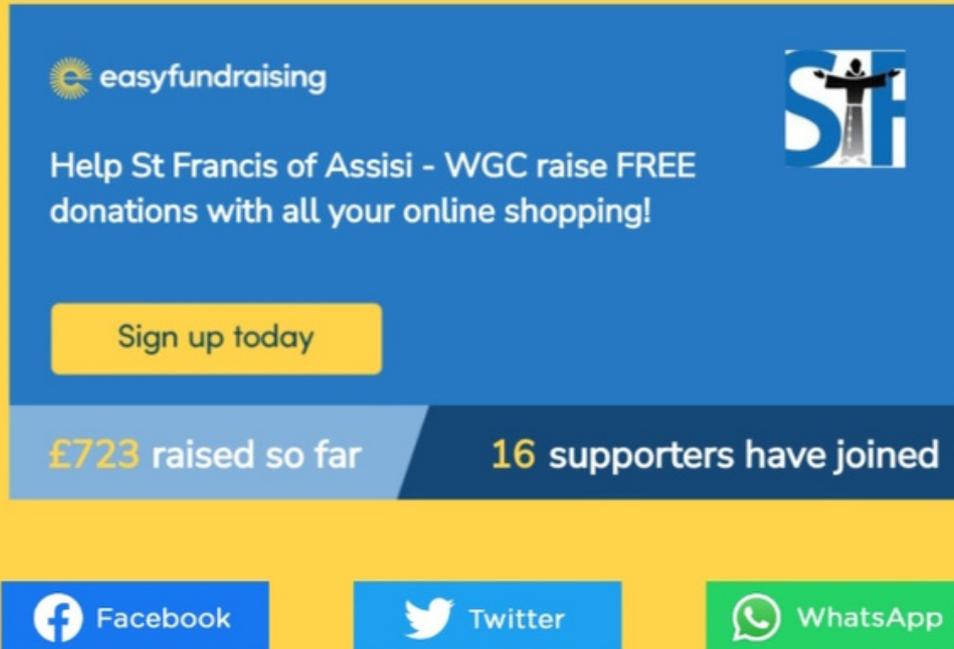
For those who don't/ can't attend Nikki will be leading a Service of the word /Messy Church style of worship in the hall. The session will be for all ages and will start at 9.15. There will be a mixture of worship, craft, prayer and songs. We will finish with drinks and biscuits/cake. There will be no communion during this session.

Please do let Nikki know if your family would like to attend or if you can help volunteer during the session

Nikki: [children@stfranciswgc.org.uk](mailto:children@stfranciswgc.org.uk)

# Easy fundraising

Click the buttons to share your invite image!



The image shows a promotional banner for easyfundraising. It features the easyfundraising logo on the left and a St Francis of Assisi logo on the right. The text reads: "Help St Francis of Assisi - WGC raise FREE donations with all your online shopping!". Below this is a yellow button that says "Sign up today". At the bottom of the banner, it displays "£723 raised so far" and "16 supporters have joined". Below the banner are three social media sharing buttons: Facebook, Twitter, and WhatsApp.

Invite new supporters, they raise £5 and we'll double it\*!

Help us get July off to a great start for St Francis of Assisi - WGC by signing up to support us for FREE on #easyfundraising. You can raise donations whenever you shop online with over 7,000 brands including John Lewis & Partners, eBay, Argos, M&S and more. Plus, once you've raised your first £5, easyfundraising will double it! Sign up today - it will make a BIG difference to us this year: <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/stfrancisofassisiwgc/RD4TM6/c2s/0aQJMZev/CR033/facebook/>

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# Save THE date



Welwyn Garden City

What's on at St Francis Church?  
scan to find out



all are welcome



come and join us



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Please note that  
**Toddletime will be shut on  
 Wednesday 12th July**  
**We are open on Wednesday  
 19th July and then we are  
 closed for the rest  
 of the Summer**

\*Termtime only sessions



# Toddletime

**WEDNESDAYS 10-11.30\***  
**Come & Join in the fun!**

CRAFT TOYS STORY SONGTIME SNACKS PLAYTIME



Suggested donation: £2 for 1 adult & child 50p extra child.

Card payment only please

St Francis Church, Church Road WGC

Please bring a lidded travel mug & your Child's water beaker



St Francis Church, Church Road, AL8 6QJ

## Thursday Lunches

Everyone is welcome!

Join us every Thursday 12-1pm

For a homemade soup, bread & cheese,  
 with a hot cup of tea.

A great space to chat & meet new people



A spiritual hub for the community, making God's love known to all.

### Churches In Welwyn Garden City

## WARM HUBS IN WGC

Looking for warmth and company this winter?  
 Why not join us? It's free and you are welcome.

The Lounge - Tuesdays 1.30-3pm.

Christchurch Peartree, Tewin Road

Mary and Isabel's Compassionate Cafe, Tuesdays, 11-1pm, St Mary Magdalene's Parish Centre, Hall Grove

Teapot Tuesdays, 2-4pm, United Reformed Church Parkway

Coffee For All, Every Wednesday 10.30am- 12 noon  
 St Francis Church, Parkway

Body and Soul Cafe - Weds & Thurs anytime  
 11-2pm Christchurch Parkway, 110 Parkway

Thursday Lunches, 12 noon-1pm, St Francis Church Parkway

Coffee Pot at St John the Evangelist Digswell  
 every Friday morning 9:00am - 12 noon

The Hub Cafe at CtKHub, Haldens  
 every Saturday morning 9:00am - 12 noon





# Jesus is Here!

Children's Church  
this Summer holidays

Join Nikki on the following  
Sunday's @ 9.15:

- 23rd July: End of term party
- 30th July: All age worship
- 6th August: Pebbles & Praise
- 20th August: Playdough & Praise
- 3rd September: Prayer & Praise

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# 25th Christmas Tree Festival

## Including

Mulled Wine, Food, Santa's Grotto,  
Raffle, Tombola, Handicrafts and Cakes

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> and Sunday  
10<sup>th</sup> December 2023

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