

LOVING WHITNASH

HOLY COMMUNION

Thursday 10.30am

WORSHIP SERVICE @ CHURCH

Sunday 10am

CONNECT @ 4PM

Sunday 4pm

JOY

Christmas
dates
on the back!



Joy to the world!

Hello Whitnash! My name is Ben Cook and I am the Rector of St Margaret's Church. We are a growing and lively evangelical Anglican Church.

I wonder what you think of when you see the word Joy? Perhaps memories of childhood, or the now distant memory of your summer holiday? We are living through a time of great upheaval, stress and anxiety and if you watch the news like I do - Joy isn't the first word I would use to describe our current times. But, there is hope to be found in the story of Christmas. The birth of Jesus is good news for all of us. Jesus promises to bring us life to the full, and through his death and resurrection we can experience true joy, even in these times.

Come and join us at St Margaret's to discover the joy that can be found in a relationship with Jesus and in a growing church community!



Alpha Course

We are running the Alpha course at St Margaret's church in 2026 and we would love you to join us. Visit our website for more information.

Holiday Club 2025!



In August we hosted a holiday club at St Margaret's Church Centre with 40 children and an amazing team of volunteers from St Margaret's Church. We had a brilliant time, exploring science, creation, robots, creatures and God's amazing creation! Each day we started with some energetic songs and created some chants for our three groups:

Mini Molecules, Curious Chemists and Brainy Boffins! We spent time in three zones, crafting, painting, creating, playing sports and games as well as studying the Bible and finding out just how much God loves everyone through his son Jesus. We ate delicious food at lunchtime and then ended the day with worship and more energetic dancing!

We had such an incredible 4 days - a HUGE thank you to the team of cooks and volunteers who worked so hard but also had great fun.

We're doing it all again next year so put these dates in your diary, 4-7 August 2026. Head over to our website to sign up!



The Bereavement Journey course is a 7-week course exploring the impact and process of loss through films and discussion. People often feel pressured to 'move on' from grief, whereas the course helps one understand that we do not do that, but we can 'move forward with' our grief, enabling people to connect

with others and gives people permission to express their loss in a safe and understanding space. We will be running the course next year. Please check out our church website for more details.

Find out more on the ataloss.org website or thebereavementjourney.org

"The Bereavement Journey Course has helped me understand myself and changed my life. It has also helped me forgive myself."

"This course has lifted me out of a deep pit. I came reluctantly as counselling had not helped me. Hearing other people's experiences and listening to the videos as the process of grief was explored, has rescued me."



Selina's story

Hello, my name is Selina. I was born in Leamington and have lived here all my life. I'm married to Tim, and between us, we have a big family. I've worked in the NHS for over 30 years. When I was at primary school, a girl invited me and my brothers to her Sunday school.

Soon the whole family was going! From there I went to Tuesday Club for teenagers — we heard about Jesus, but we also had lots of fun, playing games, going swimming, and even weekends away. I made some great friends and happy memories. When I was 16, we went on a church camp to the Isle of Wight. I loved the holiday and the people, but I still didn't want to be a Christian. Back home I felt unsettled. I told one of the leaders that I couldn't believe God really cared about me personally. They asked me a few questions: "If you ask for bread, would you be given a

stone?" I said, "No."

"If you ask for an egg, would you be given a scorpion?" I said, "No."

"If you ask God for the Holy Spirit, would He not give Him to you?" My answer was "Yes." In that moment I felt warmth, peace, and a real sense of God's love filling me. I knew without doubt that the Holy Spirit had come into my life. St Margaret's isn't the closest church to where I live, but it's where I feel at home. I've made a commitment to be part of it. I know I have many faults, yet Jesus still loves and cares for me — and I believe He cares for you too.



It's been a busy and joy-filled few months at Connect@4pm! Together we've been exploring Creation, Baptism, and Bread in the Bible, as well as our way through Philippians — a letter written to the early church around 60AD. We also had the privilege of baptising two of our young

people, celebrating their public step of faith with the whole church family. As we look ahead, we're excited to begin journeying through Luke's Gospel, diving into the stories Jesus told to his friends — stories that still speak into our lives today. Come and join us — we'd love to see you!

Connect@4pm meets every Sunday at the Church Centre, down the road from the church. We are a non-traditional, informal, relaxed church setting for all ages. There's Bible teaching, worship, learning, friendship, and we share a hot meal (provided) at the end of the service.

JOY



Christmas at St Margaret's Church

Come and discover the JOY and GOOD NEWS of JESUS CHRIST this Christmas!

Sunday 23 Nov - Tree of Light switch on

6:30pm - Raising money for Myton Hospice at St Margaret's Church

Saturday 13 Dec - Carols @ The Bulldog

4:00pm - Carols for all ages

Sunday 14 Dec - Christingle service

4:00pm at St Margaret's Church

Monday 15 Dec - Carols @ The Plough and Harrow

7:30pm - Carols and festive vibes!

Tuesday 16 Dec - Carols @ The Hodcarrier

7:30pm - More carols and festive vibes!



Wednesday 17 Dec - A Quiet Christmas service

7:30pm at St Margaret's Church. A service for anyone who will find Christmas difficult

Sunday 21 Dec - Carols by Candlelight

6:30pm at St Margaret's Church.
A traditional carol service

Wednesday 24 Dec - All Age Crib Service

4:00pm at St Margaret's Church. Family friendly - come dressed up as your favourite nativity character!

Wednesday 24 Dec - Midnight communion

11:30pm at St Margaret's Church

Thursday 25 Dec - Christmas Day service

Family friendly - 10:00am at St Margaret's Church



Friday 31 October
St Margaret's Church
6:00-8:00pm

Silent disco
Thrive Puppet Team
Crafts and games!
£10 per child
Book at smcw.org



Remembrance Sunday

09.11.25

10am - Church open for refreshments
10:30am - Service at the war memorial
Soup and bread in church afterwards

