



Dear Church Family,

What's the best meal you've ever eaten? If I was to think carefully and objectively about it, I'd probably land on something like the prawn linguine I had at a hotel once, or perhaps a lamb shank in redcurrant sauce from a pub in North Wales. But I've just spent literally five minutes thinking carefully to remember those meals. If you asked me about my favourite meals and I answered instinctively, I'd talk about who I'd eaten the food with. The food needs to be good – of course it does – but the company makes it memorable. Fried fish on a beach with friends from Devon, a kebab with my brother, eggs royale for breakfast in a café with Rachel.

For our Sunday services this August we're remembering the meals Jesus shared with people. We do hear about some of what they ate but the food, honestly, doesn't sound that incredible. Unleavened bread and a glass of wine anyone? How about a couple of loaves of bread and a few fish to share between thousands of you? These stories haven't endured because they were Michelin-starred glories, recipes passed down through generations as the height of civilised dining. These meals endure because of what Jesus did at them, what He said, who He is.

The 9.15 and 11am services will follow the same theme and we'll share food together after both services. The church will be set out a little differently, with tables in the side aisles for food. The only difference between the services is that the 9.15 gets to share two meals – we're still taking communion every week – while the 11am will have craft activities. Here are the services including details on 11am craft:

- **2nd August (9.15 only) – The Lord's Table**
No food after this service because the meal at the communion table is the only one we need!
- **9th August – Breakfast on the Beach**
Campfires with Jesus, fishy craft & sausage butties!

- **16th August – Desert Picnic**
Deserts, stone painting & rock cakes!
- **23rd August – The Wedding Breakfast**
Feasts, a God that provides & wedding cake!
- **30th August – The Biggest Picnic Ever!**
Miracles, suncatchers & bagels!

Please note the **2nd August is 9.15 only** as many of us are away at New Wine.

Looking forward to eating and sharing together this summer!
God bless,
Dave

Prayer Event

Weds 1st July - 1.30pm in the church lounge
Tues 7th July - 7.30pm at the LifeCentre



Join us at the Life Centre for our second Prayer Event this month as we seek God's presence, listen to Him, and pray as one church family.

Worship Night

Fri 10th July 7.30pm in church

Come & worship with us as we set aside time to centre our hearts on Jesus and dwell in His presence without hurry.

Gather & Share

SUNDAY 12TH JULY



Gather & Share returns on Sunday 12th July. Some will host, some will be guests, and everyone is welcome!

We're also holding a separate **Welcome Lunch**, on the same day at the LieCentre, for those new to Chads.




To sign up as a host or guest, use the link below or contact Alys in the church office on 430 4652 (Mon–Wed). Sign-up closes this Fri (3rd July).

<https://stchadsromiley.churchsuite.com/-/forms/yvd8r7ph>





 **BLAST Summer Party – Book Your Tickets Now!** 

We're excited to invite all children in **Reception to Year 5** to our **BLAST Summer Party!** Join us for an afternoon packed with fun, friends and summer activities, including:

-  Bouncy castle
-  Hot dogs
-  Lots of summer fun!

 **Date:** Wednesday 15th July

 **Time:** 4:30pm – 6:00pm

 **Venue:** Guywood Centre, Romiley

Scan the QR code at the back of church to get your tickets.

We can't wait to celebrate the end of the school year with you all!

MUMS NIGHT

18TH JULY
7:30- 9:00PM

Bingo

Join us on **Saturday 18 July** for a fun evening of bingo, fizz, and friendship!

Arrive from **7.30pm** for a complimentary glass of fizz before eyes down at **7.45pm**. Bring your own drinks, enjoy fantastic prizes donated by local businesses, and whether you come with friends or on your own, you're guaranteed a great night.

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LIFECENTRE WORKING PARTIES



Join us at the LifeCentre

LifeCentre Working Party – Volunteers Needed

Help us care for and improve our building this August! There are jobs for all abilities, including gardening, painting, cleaning, and sorting.

Dates:

- Monday 4 August
- Tuesday 5 August
- Monday 18 August
- Tuesday 19 August

Time: 9.00am–4.30pm

Whether you can help for a few hours or a full day, we'd love to have you. To sign up call 430 1130.