

The st thomas' story

16 & 23 January 2022

We will worship at 10.30am for Sunday's Communion service, in church and online. To attend in person, please email the office to book for Track & Trace purposes.

Following the service there will be a Zoom meeting chat. Details to join Zoom meetings can be found in Pastoral letter. Click on the link in [blue writing](#).

Please see Pastoral letter for zoom meeting ID and passcodes.

Please see church calendar on the website for further information.

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Neither **Coffee Plus nor Toddler Group** will restart as planned next week. Instead the start of each will be postponed until the Scottish Government advice to limit mixing to a maximum of 3 households is eased.

Jane Ross writes: Grace (*her granddaughter*) had her assessment face-to-face this morning with a consultant. She has been given the all clear and discharged. The consultant visited the nursery for two hours and said that the speech and language delay should resolve itself. Covid has caused problems like this. She doesn't think she is on the autism spectrum. Thank you to all who have prayed for our family. Sending love to you all.

The Vive Advent Appeal 2021

The Vive Foundation in Colombia continues to transform the lives of children affected by poverty and violence through their network of Funky Frog Clubs. Our partnership with them is hugely appreciated by the team and the strength of the pound against the Colombian peso means your gifts will go even further this year. The pandemic has had a devastating impact on Colombia and the church's witness to the hope found in Christ is more relevant than ever. The total received is a magnificent **£5,371.25**. We are so thankful to the Lord for His goodness and prompting of His people to give so generously.

Sunday 16 January 2022

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Sunday 30 January 2022

Sunday worship and some other events are available online at:

<https://www.facebook.com/stthomasedin>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1r0Eq3PqBmxioDssYXCbGQ>

<https://www.twitter.com/StThomasEdin>

Sunday 16 January

@ 10.30am Service – David McCarthy is preaching.

Post Worship Chat - "Zoom" meeting details in Pastoral letter.

@ 6.30pm – 7pm "Zoom" Prayer Base

Monday 17 January

@ 4pm – ‘Rooted’ Bible Study “Zoom” meeting, details in Pastoral letter

Wednesday 19 January

@ 2pm – ‘Rooted’ Bible Study “Zoom” meeting, details in Pastoral letter

@ 8pm – Night Prayer on Facebook

Thursday 20 January

@ 7.30pm – Central Meeting “Zoom” meeting, details in Pastoral letter

Sunday 23 January

@ 10.30am Service, David McCarthy is preaching.

Post-Worship Chat - “Zoom” meeting details in Pastoral letter.

@ 6.30pm – 7pm “Zoom” Prayer Base

Monday 24 January

@ 4pm – ‘Rooted’ Bible Study “Zoom” meeting, details in Pastoral letter

Wednesday 26 January

@ 2pm – ‘Rooted’ Bible Study “Zoom” meeting, details in Pastoral letter

@ 2pm – ‘Grounded’ men’s Bible Study “Zoom” meeting, details in Pastoral letter

@ 8pm – Night Prayer on Facebook

Sunday 30 January

@ 10.30am Service, Thorsten Prill is preaching.

Post-Worship Chat - “Zoom” meeting details in Pastoral letter.

@ 6.30pm – 7pm “Zoom” Prayer Base

for our prayer

Pray for all those who are **struggling with their own mental health or that of others** — that they will know the kindness of God and receive the support and understanding they need. Pray that all of us will be caring and watching out for one another in these difficult days.

Give thanks for the life of **Bev Cooke** who passed away on Christmas Day. Pray continued comfort for her husband, **Ian**, their children, and also for her sister, **Alison Bogie**.

Give thanks for the life of **Ross Campbell** and **Gordon Bridge** their funerals took place on 14th January. Pray for their families at this time.

Pray for those considering **planting churches in Wales**, especially for **Josh** and **Rachel Maynard** as they begin Wellspring Church on the Angle peninsula in Pembrokeshire on 30 January.

Pray for **Megan & Chris** — **David McCarthy** is conducting their marriage ceremony on Saturday 15 January at Seamill Hydro. Pray that the love of God is shared with those who gather to support them.

Pray for the **group who will begin exploring how to develop our mission** which meets on the evening of Sunday 16 January — for creativity, love, passion for the lost, and a vision rooted in the Gospel.

Pray for the **F@ST Club** beginning on Friday 14 January — for good health for everyone and that there is growth.

Continue to pray for **David Harvey**, whose struggle with pain from his damaged shoulder is ongoing.

We heard about **Kazakhstan** in the autumn when **Alastair Brown** was part of a delegation to that country — pray for its people now in the midst of serious unrest. Pray too for the **Ukraine** and **Russia** as concerns grow about conflict between them. For peace and justice.