

WHAT'S ON

The Monthly Newsletter of
The Free Church (United
Reformed) St Ives and
Fenstanton URC Church

View from the Manse...



Although February is still officially mid-winter the days are getting longer, the weather is relatively mild and there is even a little warmth in the sunshine giving hope of spring to come.

Snowdrops and crocuses are popping up out of the ground, pink and white hellebores are blowing in the wind the first flowers of the year giving assurance more will follow. We all need hope to keep going as we continue to follow the Lord in our lives.

When the world seems a harsh place and times are uncertain, the promises that Jesus made to all his disciples can give us confidence that God is with us and promises brighter times ahead.

However, it is easy to remember the hard times and often harder to remember the 'normal' uneventful days of our lives. Perhaps it is something to do with our human nature. When I am playing tennis, I tend remember the shots I missed rather than the returns, whilst not necessarily spectacular, made it back over the net into the opposite court. It helps when the people I am playing with acknowledges when I have made a good volley. I should acknowledge their good shots too.

We grow in faith as we encourage each other, giving thanks and praise to others when we see them giving of themselves for others. We also need to remind ourselves of what God has done for us in the Lord Jesus.

This month we have Ash Wednesday on Valentine's Day in which we begin the six weeks of Lent leading up to Easter and celebrate God's love for us shown in Jesus bringing salvation for the world.

FEBRUARY

Services this month:

THE FREE CHURCH, ST IVES

4th Feb	Revd Dr Catherine Ball and Stephanie Atkins
11th Feb	Christine Macleod
14th Feb	Revd Dr Catherine Ball Ash Wednesday
18th Feb	Stephanie Atkins
25th Feb	Revd Dr Catherine Ball

FENSTANTON URC CHURCH

4th Feb	Revd Christine Davies
11th Feb	Revd Christine Davies
18th Feb	Stephanie Atkins
25th Feb	Revd Dr Catherine Ball

Do come along to our Lent course on Thursday afternoons starting on the 15th Feb from 2.30 - 4 pm. We are using the first Chosen film series which gives a vivid depiction of what it would have been like for Jesus and his disciples in first century Palestine and will remind us of his teachings, his actions and his ways which we are to follow.

May God bless and keep you,

Love in Christ,

Catherine



What's on in FEBRUARY



Mon - Sat	10:00 - 10:15	Chapel Prayers
Mon - Sat (not Thurs)	09:45 - 14:00	Tookeys Café
Mondays	09:30 - 13:45	Tookeys Snack Bar
	19:00 - 21:00	Indoor Bowls
Wed (term time only)	10:00 - 11:30	Tots & Carers group
Sundays	11:00	Worship
Thu 1st	09:15 - 13:30	Shirley's Coffee Shop in Tookeys
	09:45 - 10:45	Sunny Steps
	12:00 - 14:00	Keep Fit FaME (Falls Management Exercise)
	19:30 - 21:00	WI
Sat 3rd	09:30 - 15:30	Saints Crafters Craft Fair
Tue 5th	19:30 - 21:00	St Ives Photographic Club
Wed 7th	10:00 - 11:30	Hemingford Ladies Choir
	11:00 - 13:00	U3A Current Affairs
	14:00 - 16:00	Senior Citizens Club
	18:45 - 19:45	Walkeoke with Bobbi
Thu 8th	09:45 - 10:45	Sunny Steps
	11:45 - 12:45	Disco Baby with Bobbi
	12:00 - 14:00	Keep Fit FaME (Falls Management Exercise)
	19:30 - 22:00	WI
Sat 10th	10:00 - 13:15	Diabetes Prevention Awareness Group
Tue 13th	19:30 - 21:00	St Ives Photographic Club
Wed 14th	10:00 - 11:30	Hemingford Ladies Choir
	14:00 - 16:00	Senior Citizens Club
	18:45 - 19:45	Walkeoke

Thu 15th	09:45 - 10:45	Sunny Steps
	11:45 - 12:45	Disco Baby with Bobbi
	12:00 - 14:00	Keep Fit FaME (Falls Management Exercise)
	14:30 - 16:00	Lent Course
Fri 16th	10:00 - 12:00	U3A Local History
	19:00 - 21:00	Civic Society open meeting
Sat 17th	10:00 - 12:00	Climate Café: St Ives Eco Action
Sun 18th	15:00 - 16:00	Family Disco with Bobbi
Tue 20th	10:00 - 12:00	Dementia Cafe
	19:30 - 21:00	St Ives Photographic Club
Wed 21st	10:00 - 11:30	Hemingford Ladies Choir
	11:00 - 13:00	U3A Current Affairs
	14:00 - 16:00	Senior Citizens Club
	18:45 - 19:45	Walkeoke
	19:00 - 21:30	HRAA Gardening Club
Thu 22nd	09:45 - 10:45	Sunny Steps
	11:45 - 12:45	Disco Baby with Bobbi
	12:00 - 14:00	Keep Fit FaME (Falls Management Exercise)
	14:30 - 16:00	Lent Course
Fri 23rd	13:00 - 13:45	COSI Lunchtime Concert
Mon 26th	19:30 - 21:00	Zumba with Juliet
Tue 27th	19:30 - 21:00	St Ives Photographic Club
Wed 28th	10:00 - 11:30	Hemingford Ladies Choir
	11:00 - 13:00	U3A Current Affairs
	14:00 - 16:00	Senior Citizens Club
	18:45 - 19:45	Walkeoke
	19:00 - 21:00	RSPB
Thu 29th	09:45 - 10:45	Sunny Steps
	11:45 - 12:45	Disco Baby with Bobbi
	12:00 - 14:00	Keep Fit FaME (Falls Management Exercise)
	14:30 - 16:00	Lent Course
	14:30 - 15:30	St Ives Free Church Poetry Group

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CHURCH MEETING

Sunday

18th February

after worship

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