

Welcome

Celebration Sunday

Good morning and a very warm welcome to our morning service here at St Swithins. This morning is a little different we hope you enjoy it as we're taking time to celebrate as a church. Now that might seem a little strange, I mean we're in the middle of a pandemic aren't we? but Christians have always celebrated even when times are hard and difficult and our circumstances may not be easy.

Why? Because we have a God who is good and unchanging, and who sent his own son Jesus so we could know the assurance of being ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven.

We always have good news to share

This weekend was intended to include a party and other celebrations, but we're going to celebrate and give thanks together, then we're asking you, if you're able, to meet up with someone else from church, at home, in the park either at 11 am or for afternoon tea. **[Tea]**

There may be many things we can't do, but we can simply enjoy being together and sharing fellowship. If you can't get out of your home, we suggest you pick up the phone instead.

So Why this weekend?

One of the key words in our vision is celebration, and it seems fitting to intentionally put aside time on a Sunday or weekend to celebrate. As a church we've been here for over 1000 years [St Swithin's Day is always 15 July] where we remind ourselves of our gratitude to God and celebrate

Video – As a family we're grateful and thankful to be part of St Swithin's church family and these are our messages?

See you soon (Hannah)

Thank you (Jo)

Holidays nearly there!! (Joshua)

Missing You (Tim)

Prayer

Thank you for the gift of St Swithin's and Walcot, thank you that they are yours, thank you for your great faithfulness to us, your hand upon us. Holy Spirit renew us for a new season of your fruitfulness. COME Lord Jesus. **Amen**