

WHAT'S ON

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mon 10 Aug	19.00	Monday Night House Group
Thur 13 Aug	09.30	Holy Communion/prayers
Fri 14 Aug	10.00	Church Shop St Matthew's Chelston
Sun 16 Aug	10.00	Morning worship
Sun 16 Aug	14.00	Treasure Hunt/Cream Tea St Matthew's
Thur 3 Sept	19.00	PCC MEETING

For your prayers and praise

Thank You for the precious gift of baby Lillia. As she is baptized today, surround her with Your love, guide her with Your light, and keep her safe in Your care. May she grow to know Your grace, walk in Your truth, and always feel the comfort of Your presence. Bless Joseph & Ursula with wisdom and love as they raise her in faith.



We pray for all our young people as they receive their exam results and consider what the future may hold. Calm those who are anxious, comfort those who are disappointed, and help each person remember that their worth is not measured by grades or results. Give them wisdom as they make important decisions, courage when the way ahead is uncertain, and hope when plans must change. May they know that, whatever their results, they are loved, valued, and never alone.

We thank You for the gift of this beautiful warm weather, the sunshine, the long days, and the wonder of Your creation. May we enjoy these blessings with grateful hearts and always remember Your goodness in all that You have made. [Amen.](#)

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WELCOME TO **ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, SHIPHAY**

*'A caring fellowship seeking to share the
life and love of God'*

Sunday 9 August 2026

Welcome to our congregation today.

A very special welcome to baby Lillia,
who has come to be baptised.

We give thanks for Lillia and for the gift of her life, and we are
delighted to share this special occasion with her family and
friends as we gather in worship and celebration.

Whether you are a regular member of our congregation or
visiting us today, you are warmly welcome.

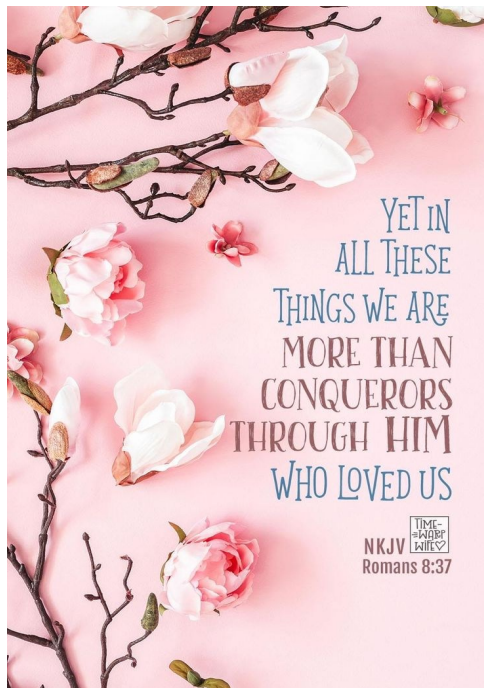
Please do join us for Fairtrade coffee and
refreshments after the service this morning.



Music

Offertory Communion

All things bright and beautiful	25
We know that all things	
Jesus, be the centre	
Lord of all hopefulness	413
Jesus, stand among us	361
All I once held dear	18
Such love, pure as the whitest snow	620
And did those feet in ancient time	
(Jerusalem)	33



*Summer reminds us that God is constantly at work in every season.
Just as gardens grow quietly day by day, God continues to shape our
hearts even when life feels slow.*

*May we use this season to rest in Him, encourage one another, and
look for opportunities to show Christ's love wherever we are.*

The Reading

Romans 8:28-39

²⁸ And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who^[a] have been called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. ³⁰ And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

More than conquerors

³¹ What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all – how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? ³³ Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died – more than that, who was raised to life – is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ³⁶ As it is written:

‘For your sake we face death all day long;

we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.’^[b]

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons,^[c] neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹ neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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