



## ***TERM DATES***

***MAY - JULY 2025***

Hampstead Parish Church is an inclusive church in the Anglican tradition. We welcome all children, parents, and carers to our services. As well as Junior Church and All Age Services, there is a play area in the south chapel, with children's materials that all are welcome to use during any of our services and when visiting during church opening hours. For more up to date information on church services, events and activities do sign up to the church newsletter. Looking forward to seeing you soon.

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## May

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| 4  | JUNIOR CHURCH                            | Churchyard Watch with Esther |
| 11 | ALL AGE EUCHARIST                        | All Age Eucharist            |
| 18 | JUNIOR CHURCH                            | Easter 5                     |
| 25 | HALF TERM HOLIDAY<br>(SERVICE IN CHURCH) | Easter 6                     |

## June

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| 1  | HALF TERM HOLIDAY<br>(SERVICE IN CHURCH) | Freeing captives      |
| 8  | JUNIOR CHURCH                            | Unity in diversity    |
| 15 | JUNIOR CHURCH                            | God invites us in     |
| 22 | JUNIOR CHURCH                            | Change for the better |
| 29 | ALL AGE EUCHARIST                        | All Age Eucharist     |

## July

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| 6  | JUNIOR CHURCH                       | Trinity 3 |
| 13 | JUNIOR CHURCH<br>(LAST DAY OF TERM) | Trinity 4 |

## **We warmly invite new volunteers to join our growing and enthusiastic team**

Our goal is to help our young people explore their own faith together with their families in a safe, nurturing, and above all, fun environment. We welcome offers of help from all generations and you certainly don't need to be a parent.

Experience is not a pre-requisite! Resources are provided and we will ease you in gently by pairing with other leaders initially. All that's required is enthusiasm and a desire to share what your own Christian faith means to you with the next generation. All of our leaders and volunteers are DBS checked.

## **What's on Offer for Children and Young People at Hampstead Parish Church**

We have an energetic and exciting Junior Church lead by a team of enthusiastic volunteers. We make full use of our beautiful outside space in the graveyard whenever we can, and special events have included a pilgrimage to Westminster Abbey, bell ringing, a roving passion play, seasonal parties and much more. All are welcome to come and join us!

### **All Age Eucharists**

Approximately 6 times a year we hold a service which is somewhat adapted so that all ages can enjoy a full service. The children's groups will not take place on these weeks - see term card for dates.

### **Sunday mornings:**

Families are encouraged to start off in the morning service together with the rest of the congregation. After the first hymn, children are invited to make their way down to the crypt for the children's groups.

There is also a more relaxed area at the front of the church where children can colour, read or play during the service if they prefer.



### **Holy Hamsters (Crypt Room) - Under 5's**

A relaxed group for young children and carers. The session usually includes music, crafts and story time plus snacks for little ones and coffee for tired mums and dads!

### **St Matthew's Group - Years 1-3 & St Luke's Group - Years 4-6 (Gregory & Allatson Rooms)**

Aimed at primary school-aged children, these groups offer more in the way of exploring what the bible is telling us and starting to think about the children's own journey with faith. We understand that children want to have fun as well as learn, and we always include lots of crafts and games in the sessions.

### **St John's Group (Choir vestry) - Year 7 & Above**

Children and young people aged 11+ are invited to join this discussion group when the choir leaves for their break during the service.

### **Junior Choir**

Since 1945, our junior choir has been at the heart of HPC's musical life, and several of our children who started as little 8 year olds have gone on to study music at university, or even become professional musicians.

The children rehearse on Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings and sing alongside the professional adult singers during services.

As well as receiving an incredible, free musical education, and being part of a lovely inclusive group of children, they also receive weekly choir pay!

If you have a musical child age 8 or over who you think would enjoy being part of this really special opportunity, email [courtney@hampsteadparishchurch.org.uk](mailto:courtney@hampsteadparishchurch.org.uk) who will connect you with our choir master.