When?

Below are the times that our small groups currently meet. Please contact the named person if you would like to attend. We hope to start a new group too, so do let us know if you wish to join a small group but cannot make these times. Email: office@stjohntheevangelistcambridge.org

Mondays, 7.30 - 8.45pm

Fortnightly at: The Vicarage, 9 Luard Road, CB2 8PJ Contact: Revd James Shakespeare, 01223 241815 vicar@stjohntheevangelistcambridge.org

Tuesdays, 10.30 - 11.30am

Weekly in term time in the Gray Room upstairs at church Contact: Revd Nell Whiscombe, 07990 601129 revnellwhiscombe@gmail.com

Wednesdays, 7.30 - 8.45pm

This online group meets fortnightly during term time. The Zoom link is sent in advance via email. Contact: Revd Peter Heslam peter.heslam@gmail.com

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GROWING TOGETHER

A small group is a great place to ask questions, learn from one another and deepen our faith



who, what, why and when of small groups at St John's

St John the Evangelist, Hills Road, Cambridge CB2 8RN

Who?

- Our small groups are open to everyone, whatever their church background or faith
- No previous Bible knowledge is needed
- You can attend as and when your schedule allows

Come along and see. You will be very welcome!

What?

What is a typical meeting like? These are some of the things a group might look at:

- Bible passages: perhaps a theme or a biblical character, or a specific book of the Bible
- Music: for example the scriptures in Handel's *Messiah*, or in songs related to the Christmas story
- Art: for example Stanley Spencer's paintings of 'Christ in the wilderness'
- Film/video: for example excerpts from *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* (C S Lewis)
- Sharing ideas from our faith journeys
- We also talk, pray, share, ask questions, study, discuss, laugh, cry...
- We drink tea/coffee/water... and occasionally eat cake!



- To grow friendships
- To increase knowledge and understanding of the Bible
- To grow in faith
- To receive support in a non-judgemental way
- To find a safe place to share (see the Agreement below)
- To grow more like Jesus

Small Groups Agreement

- Acknowledge that as we come together we are in 'sacred space'
- Confidentiality: we may share what we have learned about God and ourselves, but we will not refer to other people's stories or experience outside the group time*
- We will share with each other for our mutual benefit, but only as much as seems comfortable for us
- We will listen attentively to honour one another
- We will ensure everyone can hear what we say (some of us may be hard of hearing)
- We will acknowledge our comments as our own and not assume others feel the same ['*l think...*' rather than 'we all believe...']
- We will try to notify our absence in advance to the group leader
- Occasional resources not obligatory can be ordered at your request
- * While we aim to maintain confidentiality within the group, we have a responsibility as a church to report any serious safeguarding concerns or disclosures. Please be aware that in such cases it may not be possible to maintain confidentiality. The Ministry Team will be happy to discuss any concerns or questions you may have about this.



