



Christ Church - Easter Sunday
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Messy Church



Christ Church
Fulwood
June 2017

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Services at Christ Church

Sunday Worship 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Holy Communion (1st, 3rd & 4th Sundays in the month)
Family Service (2nd Sunday)
Morning Worship (when there's a 5th Sunday)
6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)
Holy Communion (BCP) (4th Sunday in the month)

Weekday Services: Prayers in the Vestry/Church (during term time):

Tuesday - 9.00pm; **Friday** - 9.00am

Also: Thursday - 10:30am Holy Communion and 7.00pm Evening Prayers

Baptism, Confirmation, Marriages & Funerals

All by arrangement with Phil, the Curate (Tel: 383490)

Visiting The Curate is always ready to visit the sick at home or in hospital, or anyone else who needs his help. Please inform him if there is anyone you know who would appreciate a visit - a written note is especially helpful.

What's on at Christ Church - activities are mainly in the Church Hall.

Parochial Church Council Normally meets in the Upper Room at 7.00pm on the 3rd Monday in Jan, March, May, July, Sept & Nov.

Choir Practice 9.45am each Sunday in Church (except 2nd Sundays)

Junior Church 10.30am Sundays in Church (term time) then in the Hall

Pathfinders 10.30am Sundays in Church (term time) then in the Hall

Rainbows 5.30pm Tuesdays in term time in the Hall

Brownies 6.00pm Tuesdays in term time in the Hall

Guides 7.00pm Tuesdays in term time in the Hall

Parent & Toddlers 10.00am Mondays in term time (to 11.30am) in the Hall

Crafters 2.00pm Thursdays in the Vestry

HOPE Group 7.15 for 7.30pm 1st & 3rd Wednesdays each month, in the Vestry

Crossway 7.30pm 3rd Thursday each month (not July & August) in Hall

Magazine

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Church Events in June 2017

Thur	1 June	10.30am	Holy Communion Service in Church (each Thurs)
		7.00pm	NO Evening Prayers in Vestry (half-term)
Fri	2 June	9.00am	NO Prayers in Church this week (half-term)
Sun	4 June	10.30am	NO Junior Church or Pathfinders (half-term)
		6.30pm	'Thy Kingdom Come' Prayer & Praise Service - see Pg 7
Tues	6 June	9.00pm	Prayers in Church/Vestry (rota inside back cover)
Wed	7 June	7.30pm	HOPE Group meets in the Vestry - see Pg 6
			Final Confirmation preparation session - see Pg 1
Thur	8 June	11.30am	C.T.F.B. mtg at Christ Church
		7.00pm	Evening Prayers in Vestry each Thurs (to 7.30pm)
Sun	11 June	10.30am	Family Service - Church Parade
Mon	12 June	7.00pm	Parish Development Group meets in the Upper Room
Tues	13 June	10.00am	Buildings' Group meet in Upper Room
Thur	15 June	7.30pm	Crossway meets in the Hall - see Pg 6
Fri	16 June	10.00am	Cake and Company in Hall to 12 noon - all welcome
Sun	18 June	10.30am	Young people in Church before JunChurch/Pathfinders
Wed	21 June	7.30pm	HOPE Group meets in the Vestry - see Pg 6
Sun	25 June	10.30am	Young people in Church before JunChurch/Pathfinders
			Commissioning of Sidespeople (Welcome Team) (Pg 3)

Save the date - Commissioning of Sidespeople

Sidespeople (Welcome Team) are asked to be in Church on Sunday morning 25th June for the annual Commissioning Service. Please make every effort to be there.

~ **SAVE THE DATE!** ~



Messy Sports!

Next Messy Church will be **Messy Sports** on Sunday 9th July from 12noon starting in the Hall after Café Church.

Contact Chris Hedley on 01772 652475,
the_hedleys@btinternet.com

£6.00

And finally - Magazine Subscription - remains at £6 for the year or 60p per copy. If your magazine is delivered to your home you will be asked for your subscription this month. If you collect your own Magazine from church please put

your £6 in one of the brown envelopes (near the 'plate' on the table), write your name on the front and leave it on that 'plate'. Thank you. (Sue Cameron)

Standing up for what we believe in

This month we will celebrate with several candidates their decision to take on some responsibility for their own faith, a time when they will publicly declare that they want Jesus to be a part of their lives through the Confirmation Service on Sunday 18th June.



Confirmation for many continues what was started at baptism and celebrates the presence and work of the Holy Spirit within us. At Confirmation we reaffirm the promises that were made by others at baptism on our behalf. We take on the responsibility to represent Christ, to be an ambassador for Jesus in the world. It is always worth taking a moment to consider these promises we have made, and how well we are faring.



In Galatians 5: 16-25, we find Paul describing a battle going on inside a person. It seems an appropriate time for us all to revisit the promises we have made as followers of Christ, and to question whether there are any behaviours we need to avoid in order to further grow as ambassadors for Christ. We might also look at the qualities that are produced by the Holy Spirit living within us - are these qualities we could use more within our church and our wider community?

Within the confirmation service, everyone says the following prayer together, and I wonder if we, as brothers and sisters in Christ, could pray this for each other as we meet in prayer groups, or prayer triplets, or indeed at any time we spend, in prayer, connecting with God.



*Defend, O Lord, these your servants with your heavenly grace,
That they may continue yours for ever,
And daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more
Until they come to your everlasting kingdom
Amen.*

Blessings
Phil

Sunday Worship in June



4th June Day of Pentecost - Whit Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
 10.30am Holy Communion
 Welcome: Keith & Sue
 Cameron

Prayers: Mandy Stanton
 Bread & Wine: Chris Banik & Mary Fletcher
 Communion Assistants: Mandy Stanton & Elizabeth Bailey
 Readings: Acts 2. 1 - 21 Joan Curphey
 John 7. 37- 39 Ken Curphey

6.30pm Prayer & Praise Special Service with +Cyril Ashton

Welcome: Julia Laing
 Readings: Matthew 6. 9-13 Julia Laing

*Praise
the Lord*

11th June Trinity Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am Family Service with Church Parade

Welcome: Bev & Dave Worgan
 Prayers: Phil/Mandy et al (Mosamaria)

Readings: to come Rachel Pitches

6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP) Welcome: Julia Laing

Readings: Isa 40. 12 -17, 27 - end Brent Sutton
 John 16. 5 - 15 Karen Sutton

Psalm: 150

Flowers in June

Thur 1 June Joyce Masterton & Shirley Duggan
 Thur 8 June Joyce Masterton & Shirley Duggan
 Thur 15 June Alison Tait & Judith Rawson
 Thur 22 June Alison Tait & Judith Rawson
 Thur 29 June Hilary Catchpole & Barbara Barber



'Thy Kingdom Come' Prayer and Praise - 6.30pm Sun 4th June

As part of the Archbishop of Canterbury's 'Thy Kingdom Come' Prayer initiative, Christ Church is pleased to be hosting a "Prayer and Praise Evening". There will be an eclectic range of styles of prayer from more formal prayer, to extemporary prayer and songs will vary from traditional favourites to contemporary worship songs. Our evening will be led by the Christ Church music group and our guest preacher is the Rt. Rev'd Cyril Ashton (who helped lead Brian's farewell service). Bishop Cyril will be guiding us through the Lord's Prayer line by line and what it means to us today. Please do try to support a wonderful evening of prayer and praise. It would be great to see Christ Church full of people praising God and asking for His Kingdom to come on earth. [Chris Hartnett]

Announcement made in Church on Sunday 14th May

We're sorry to announce the resignation of our Director of Music, Chris Hartnett. Chris has decided to leave to discern his vocation elsewhere. Chris's last working day will be on Sunday 4th June in the evening when he will be joined by Bishop Cyril Ashton to lead the service of Prayer and Praise.

We thank him and wish him well, with every blessing for the future. [Phil]

NOTE: the Church Wardens are making arrangements for who will play the music for each service, until a replacement for Chris is appointed

Churches Together in Fulwood & Broughton - Pilgrimage, Saturday 9th Sept.

This year the annual CTFB Pilgrimage is to Liverpool. Leave Fulwood just after 9am and return about 8.30pm. Cost of £26 includes coach, a meal and a Cathedral Tour. Full details are on the table in Church, please take a sheet.



Christian Aid Lent Challenge 'Count Your Blessings'



Sue Walsh reports that she has sent off to Christian Aid the donations from those who took part in the 2017 Lent Challenge 'Count Your Blessings'.

Sue says, '£220 was donated to Christian Aid from Christ Church, although there were only a few of us we raised an impressive amount'.

[Thanks for pulling that together Sue]

Crossway - the visit of Julie (and David) with her guide dog Queenie proved to be very popular last April. David gave us the general story of guide dogs and their training and Julie was able to relate her experiences - a wonderful evening, enjoyed by everyone.



We hope that June's meeting will be as successful when Joyce Tindsley with her 'Find your voice singers' will be entertaining us with a concert - "Music for a Summer Evening". There will be chance for us all to join in some of the community singing so come along and have an enjoyable evening. Entry is (as usual) £2.50 on the door for non-members including a 'cream tea supper'!!

The committee will soon be planning 2018's programme, so if you have any ideas of good speakers please contact Joan (716833).

Hope Group in June

Wednesday 7th June - 'I Am the Alpha and the Omega' - we will explore together what Jesus means when He refers to Himself as the "Alpha and Omega" (Revelation 1:8 & 22:13)?

HOPE

Wednesday 21st June - this week we'll be discussing 'Prophetic art'; being stimulated by art to hear the word of God.

Hope group meets on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. Everyone is welcome. Don't worry if you haven't been before or can't make it to every meeting. We enjoy fun and fellowship as well as taking opportunities for spiritual growth.

Meet in the Vestry at church at 7.15 for a 7.30 start finishing at 9pm. We look forward to seeing you. For further information see the website or email Elizabeth on ebailey@blueyonder.co.uk

'May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.' (Romans 15:13)



THANK YOU - the Guides, Brownies and Rainbows have donated the proceeds of their 'Easter Bingo 2017' to the Church. Many thanks to those who organised this and all who helped towards it. [Linda Koziarska]

Bishop

18th June

8.00am

1st Sunday after Trinity

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am **CONFIRMATION with Bishop Geoff**

Holy Communion

Welcome: Alan Powell & Jean Preston

Prayers: Phil

Bread & Wine: Jim & Linda Clare

Communion Assistants: George Appasamy & Chris Hedley

Readings: (to come)

6.30pm

Evening Prayer (BCP)

Welcome: Margaret Ghori

Readings: 1 Sam 21. 1-15 Michael Higgins

Luke 11. 14 -28 Margaret Ghori

Psalm: 43



25th June

8.00am

2nd Sunday after Trinity

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

Commissioning of Sidespeople (Welcome Team) (see Pg8)

Holy Communion

Welcome: Rachel Pitches & Adrienne Clarkson

Prayers: Adam and Cathy

Bread & Wine: Steve & Chris Hedley

Communion Assistants: Adam Thomas & Shirley Duggan

Readings: Gen 21. 8 -21 Elsie Lenton

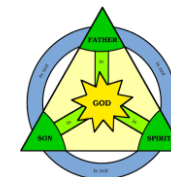
Matt.10. 24 -39 Michael Lenton

6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP) Welcome: Margaret Ghori

Readings: Gen 12. 1-4 Michael Higgins

1 John 3. 13 -end Margaret Ghori

Luke 14. 16 -24 Phil McClenaghan



Refreshment Rota

Sun 4 June Mary James, Joan & Ken Curphey

Sun 11 June Adrienne Clarkson, Joyce Masterton & Dorothy Bradley

Sun 18 June Steve & Chris Hedley and Marie Wylie

Sun 25 June Sue Dewhurst, Sue & Bex Walsh



Christian Funeral 'In Christ all will be brought to life'

24th April Betty **POWELL** The Chines died 11th April
Betty was a well-loved and long standing member of our church family from before Canon Eddie Burns was our incumbent. Betty worked alongside him in many ways, so it was only fitting that Eddie took part in the funeral and celebration of her life. Despite failing health and eyesight, Betty continued to attend Christ Church through the Thursday morning communion services. She is missed by many, and our thoughts and prayers are especially with Alan, Jane and Mark. [see Alan's thank you at bottom of page 5]

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## The Annual Church Meetings 2017

**Electoral Roll:** At the end of 2016 there were 208 people on the Electoral Roll. It was noted this figure included 121 people dwelling inside the parish plus 87 living outside the parish.

Sadly, during the year, we lost Irene Hurst our Electoral Roll Officer who served diligently in the church in different roles for many years.

### **Elections:**

Wardens: Julia Laing and Graham Hickey

Deputy Warden: Margaret Ghorl

Deanery Synod: Ken Curphey, Chris Hedley, Steve Hedley & Adam Thomas.  
(those on Deanery Synod serve for 3 years, their term is 2017-2020).



**Those elected to PCC** serve for 3 years before coming up for review.

Nominations and seconders were received for (and they were agreed):

to 2020 Margaret Brown, Jeanette Clark, Margaret Ghorl and Paul Jordan.

The term of office of the others on PCC were noted and agreed as:

to 2019 Chris Hartnett, John Haworth and Ann Porter (1 vacancy)

to 2018 Keith Cameron, Linda Koziarska and John Bailey (1 vacancy).

**At the May PCC** Chris Hartnett (see Pg 7) and John Haworth separately tendered their resignations from PCC. Sue Cameron was agreed as the new Electoral Roll Officer. [Margaret Brown, PCC Secretary]



## Vacancy update

The PCC have continued to follow the process of finding our new Vicar. Thanks to all of you who have prayed and thought about the gifts and skills you would like in the person who will become our next incumbent. Junior Church and Pathfinders have given us their ideas too.

All of this has been used to write the Parish Profile which is now well on the way to completion. This very important document is sent to anyone who expresses an interest in applying for the position. It describes where we are, who we are, what we can offer, where we think we are going and, as I say, the type of person we would like to come and join us.

Timescales are still difficult to predict but our plan is to have the final draft of the Parish Profile ready to send to the Diocese by the end of May. The document will then need some final 'tuning' based on their comments. Then as soon as possible after that we will be going out to advert. We hope and pray that someone who is looking for a Parish like ours feel encouraged to look further and consider Christ Church for their ministry.

In the meantime we will try to continue to keep you as informed as possible. If you have any questions do please talk to any member of the PCC, the Ministry Team, the Wardens or Julia and I as your Parish Representatives.

**Chris Hedley**  
**PCC Vice Chair**



**Our next Cake & Company** café drop in for adults will be on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June 10 am to 12 in the Hall. Contact Margaret Harrison (01772 712869) or Steve Hedley (01772 652475) for further information.

## **THANK YOU [from Alan Powell]**

Alan Powell and his family thank everyone for their farewell to Betty, we received 84 glowing sympathy cards and donations to 'Galloway's Society for the Blind' achieved a grand total of £556. It has brought home to me how fortunate I have been over the past 57 years.

