



Christ Church Fulwood

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Giving Thanks

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Although largely an American tradition, Thanksgiving, celebrated this year on 22nd November, has its origins in an English Reformation tradition carried on by the pilgrims who arrived at Plymouth in 1620. Puritans celebrated days of fasting and days of feasting in gratitude for God's provision.



In an age where food consumption is far removed from food production and growth, a growing number of Christians use the holiday as a time not only to thank God for what we have, but to examine where it comes from and the ethics of food, hunger and environment. As we see the increasing work and need for local food banks, and consider the times when they have nearly run out of stock here in Preston, this feels more appropriate than ever. As followers of Jesus, we are called to a life of gratitude, not just a single day.



Colossians 3:17 says: *(The Message)*

"Let every detail in your lives—words, actions, whatever—be done in the name of the Master, Jesus, thanking God the Father every step of the way."

Everything we do and say should try and hold on to two basic characteristics:

First, it should be done "in the name of Jesus." For me this suggests that we are to seek his agenda and to be committed to his purposes, surrounding all we do with prayer.

Second, we are to do and say everything thanking God the Father. We are to act and speak thankfully. We are to live each moment with an awareness of God's grace at work in our lives and in the world around us. Sometimes we will express our gratitude to God or to others. But even when we're silent, we are to receive all of life and do all with an awareness that we are living by grace. This isn't always easy to do or remember but is something we should aspire to.

So, it only seems appropriate, as I prepare for the next chapter in my ministry in Manchester, to give thanks to God for the last three and a half years at Christ Church, and for my time of curacy. It is also right for me to thank all those who have supported me in any way during this time; to name individuals risks missing someone out, and so I thank everyone as a whole. Please do continue to pray for us as we prepare for this next adventure!!

"Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

(Philippians 4: 6-7)

Blessings and prayers

Phil



Sunday Worship in December

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2nd December Advent Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am Holy Communion - Phil's Farewell Service



Welcome: Margaret & Norman Harrison
 Prayers: Phil
 Bread & Wine: Si & Jess Miller
 Communion Assistants: Sue Walsh

Readings: Isaiah 9 v2-7 (**Hope**)
 Luke 21 v25-36

6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

Readings: Joel 3 v9-21
 John 3 v1-17

Psalm: 9

Welcome: Chris Hedley
 Graham Hickey
 Margaret Ghorri



Have you noticed there's the same Bible reading through Advent? Why?? Come and find out !!

9th December 2nd Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am All Age – Toy Service

Welcome: David & Jane Dunsmore
 Prayers: Chris

Readings: Isaiah 9 v2-7 (**Peace**)
 Luke 3 v1-6

6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

Readings: Isaiah 40 v1-11
 Luke 1 v1-25

Psalm: 75

Welcome: Chris Hedley
 Karen Sutton
 Brent Sutton

TOYS – can YOU help?
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16th December 3rd Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am Holy Communion



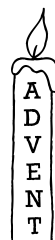
Welcome: Keith & Sue Cameron
 Prayers: Chris Hedley
 Bread & Wine: Sarah Flanagan & Bev Worgan
 Communion Assistants: Joan Curphey
 Jane Dunsmore
 David Dunsmore

Readings: Isaiah 9 v2-7 (**Joy**)
 Luke 3 v7-18

6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)

Readings: Isaiah 35
 Luke 1 v57-66

Welcome: Chris Hedley
 Michael Higgins
 Phil McClenaghan



23rd December 4th Sunday of Advent

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8.00am

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

Café Carols

Welcome: David Rhodes & Phyl Rhodes

Prayers: Graham

Readings:

Isaiah 9 v 2-7 (**Love**)

Viki Cuthbertson

Luke 1 v 39-55

Bob Cuthbertson

6.30pm

Traditional Carol Service

Readings:

to come

Chris Hedley



Monday 24th December - Christmas Eve

4.00pm

Crib Service

11.30pm

'Midnight' Communion

Tuesday 25th December - Christmas Day

8.00am

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

All Age Christmas Service



30th December 1st Sunday after Christmas

8.00am

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

Holy Communion



Welcome:

Bev & Dave Worgan

Prayers:

Chris

Bread & Wine:

John & Elizabeth Bailey

Communion Assistants:

Chris Hedley

Readings:

Colossians 3 v12-1

Elsie Lenton

Luke 2 v41-52

Michael Lenton

6.30pm

Evening Prayer (BCP)

Welcome: Chris Hedley

Readings:

Isaiah 61

Julia Laing

Luke 2 v15-21

Graham Hickey

Psalms:

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Refreshment Rota (see 'Shrinking the Footprint' Pg5)

Sun

2 Dec

Dorothy Bradley, Sue & Bex Walsh

Sun

9 Dec

Elsie Lenton, Liz Boland & Joyce Masterton

Sun

16 Dec

John Bailey, Joan Curphey & Steve Hedley

Sun

23 Dec

Sue Dewhurst, Sue Wright & Pam Young

Sun

30 Dec

Viki Cuthbertson, Marie Wylie & Bev Worgan



Flowers in December

Thur 6 Dec

Shirley Duggan & Judith Rawson

Thur 13 Dec

Shirley Duggan & Judith Rawson

Thur 20 Dec

All the team

Thur 27 Dec

Judith Rawson & Barbara Barber



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

23rd Oct **Diane TUCKER** Silverdale Drive died 13th Oct
Diane's service was conducted by Rev Rick Bundy from St Michael's, Kirkham at the request of the family. A very large number of people attended the service testifying that Diane was much loved and will be deeply missed by many. [Phil]

25th Oct **William (Bill) HEAD** Watling Str. Rd. died 13th Oct
Born and raised on Havelock Street, Bill was one of the first Honda motorcycle dealers in the UK and took on the Honda Franchise in 1959. This connection with bikes continued throughout his life both with a dealership, and through racing bikes in the Isle of Man TT Races. The escort of bikes throughout the day was something to behold.

Married to Norah in March 1958, they had 6 children over a period of 22 years - Susan, Jill, Lisa, Sarah, Nicholas and Victoria. Consequently, there is also a squad 10 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. He truly adored his family and is deeply missed by them all. [Phil]



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More from the Remembrance Service

(also see back cover)





Shrinking the Footprint

The Shrinking the Footprint Project

Following on from our article in October, we have been busy putting together some plans to help towards doing as much as we can to help look after our environment. One of the first things the PCC would like us to do is to replace the plastic cups with ceramic ones for our after service refreshments.

There are two options – you can either use the mugs provided or, as in many coffee shops these days, you can bring your own to be filled (and re-filled!) with either tea or coffee. **We will start this arrangement on the 2nd December** – Phil's Farewell and the first Sunday in Advent, and we'll see how it works. The Refreshment Teams would appreciate your understanding as we get used to this new, but more eco-friendly, way of working!

[Chris Hedley]



Messy Christmas

Everyone is invited to join us as we explore the story of Christmas with fun activities and games - including worship and sharing a meal together.

SUNDAY 2 DECEMBER 2.30-4.30pm starting in church.

Children must bring an adult!

More information from Chris Hedley, 07899 994975
the_hedleys@btinternet.com

Welcome to the Cake & Company Christmas Party!

Friday 21st December 10am – 12midday in the Church Hall.

We will have Christmas fayre, mulled wine, a seasonal sing-along, a quiz (with prizes...!) and a certain visitor bearing gifts.

We look forward to celebrating this special time of the year with you!

Contact Margaret Harrison 01772 712869 or Steve Hedley 01772 652475 for further information.

Crossway



In October a well-attended Crossway had a wonderful evening exploring Iceland's many assets from the grandeur of the mountains to the trolls and elves! Chris & Keith Burton gave us a real insight into the varied countryside which whet some people's appetite to go themselves.



This month our meeting will be the Christmas lunch at Barton Grange Hotel. This is on

Thursday 13th Dec, a week earlier than our



normal monthly meetings. There has been a wonderful response again this year BUT if you haven't already signed up to come and would like to join us please phone either Margaret (717008) or Joan (716833) asap. Just a reminder to all that we meet from **12noon for a 12.30pm meal at Barton Grange Hotel** – please note it is at the **HOTEL** not the Garden Centre!

Advent Course

Advent (like Lent) is a time of preparation. Whereas Lent looks to the cross and invites us to examine our lives in the light of God's commands, Advent is a time to prepare for the celebration of God coming into the world in Jesus. As such our HOPE Group (see below) and Bible Study Meetings will be themed around this and invite us to prepare ourselves for Christmas.

New and regular members are invited to come to both HOPE and the Bible Study on the 5th, 13th & 19th December. [Chris]



HOPE Group - Advent

Wednesday 5th December: Advent 1 - led by Chris (see above)

Wednesday 19th December: Advent 3 - The Twelve Days of Christmas – we will have fun learning and singing some different words to this traditional song as we look forward to celebrating the birth of Jesus. Please join us!

HOPE group meets on the first and third Wednesdays of the month except for August. 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 eabailey@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)

HOPE

Christmas Cards

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As in recent years, please DON'T send Christmas Cards to friends at Church!!

Instead you are asked to pin up one of your cards on the board in church AND make a wonderful donation in the collecting box.

This year we are helping the **Foxton Centre Christmas Lunches**. The money donated will go directly to them. Please put in whatever you can to support this work.

The board will be available **at the back of church from Saturday 1st Dec**. In recent years we have generally raised well over £200 each time and we've alternated the giving between The Salvation Army Foodbank and The Foxton Centre, please help all you can. [Ken Curphey]



Toy Service: 10.30am Sunday 9th December

This is the time when we ask you to bring **NEW TOYS for gifts for those in need** (NOT wrapped please). Each year, recently, over 400 families in Preston have needed help to bring Christmas joy to their children. This is co-ordinated through the Salvation Army, following referrals from Social Services.

**TOYS – can YOU help?
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We (and other churches) take the toys which you donate at this Service to the Salvation Army. Nearer Christmas they take packs of toys (along with the wrapping paper) and Christmas goodies to the families in need.



PLEASE HELP by donating as many NEW TOYS as you can. **Please DON'T wrap them** but if you can send some wrapping paper too, that also helps.



A special challenge is finding new 'items' suitable for teenagers, if you can help with this, please do (e.g. nail varnish, etc.).

Anything for teenage boys?



Request for Mince pies

After our Traditional Carol Service at 6.30pm on Sunday 23rd December mince pies (**home-made if possible**) will be served with tea/coffee. If you'd be willing to provide ½ a dozen (or even a dozen) please sign up in church. [Joan]



Church Events in December 2018

Sun	2 Dec	10.30am	Phil's Farewell Service at Christ Church NO Junior Church today as 2.30pm Messy Christmas, starting in Church – see Pg4	
Wed	5 Dec	7.30pm	Advent 1 - HOPE Group meets in the Vestry – see Pg 6	
Thur	6 Dec	10.30am	Holy Communion Service in Church (each Thursday)	
		2.00pm	Crafters meet in Vestry, all welcome (each Thursday)	
		7.00pm	Evening Prayers, Vestry (to 7.30pm) – see inside back cover	
Fri	7 Dec	9.00am	Prayers in Church each Friday (see inside back cover & Pg7)	
Sat	8 Dec	10.00am	Marthoma Church in Church and Hall	
Sun	9 Dec	10.30am	TOY Service – all age – see page 7	
Thur	13 Dec	12 noon	for 12.30pm - Christmas Meal at Barton Grange Hotel – Pg6	
		7.00pm	Advent 2 - Bible Study, Vestry (to 8.30pm) – see Pg6	
Sun	16 Dec	10.30am	Young people in Church before JunChurch/Pathfinders	
Wed	19 Dec	7.30pm	Advent 3 - HOPE Group meets in the Vestry – see Pg 6	
		10.00am	Christmas at Cake & Company in Hall to 12 noon (Pg5)	
Thur	20 Dec	7.00pm	Lancashire Sings Christmas on Radio Lancs (see below)	
Sun	23 Dec	10.30am	All Age Café Carols Service in the Hall	
		6.30pm	Traditional Carol Service in Church	
Mon	24 Dec	4.00pm	Christmas Eve Crib Service	
		11.30pm	'Midnight' Holy Communion Service	
Tues	25 Dec	8.00am	Christmas Day - Traditional Holy Communion Service	
		10.30am	Christmas Day - All Age Christmas Morning Service	
Thur	27 Dec	7.00pm	NO Evening Prayers (holidays)	
Fri	28 Dec	9.00am	NO Prayers in Church (holidays)	
Sun	30 Dec	10.30am	NO Junior Church or Pathfinders (school holidays)	

Forward Notice for January

Tues	7 Jan	10.00am	Building Development group
Sun	13 Jan	10.30am	Christingle All Age Service



Lancashire Sings Christmas - 7pm Thursday 20th December

Each year BBC Radio Lancashire broadcasts "Lancashire Sings Christmas". This countywide initiative is to get the Christmas message across through carols and speakers. Tune in at 7pm (for an hour) on Thursday 20th December or find online links at:

<https://lancshiresingschristmas.co.uk/venues-2018/> to see local venues.



Services at Christ Church

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



Weekday Service: Thursdays - 10:30am Holy Communion

Prayers: Fridays at 9.00am in the Vestry (during term time):

Also: at 7.00pm 1st, 3rd & 5th Thursdays - Evening Prayers, in Vestry;
at 7.00pm on 2nd and 4th Thursdays - Bible Study, in the Vestry.

Baptism, Confirmation, Marriages & Funerals

All by arrangement with Chris, the Vicar (Tel: 715202)

Visiting Chris (the Vicar) 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 Vestry at 7.00pm on the 3rd Monday in Jan, March, May, July, Sept & Nov.

Choir Practice	9.45am	each Sunday in Church (except 2 nd 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
Messy Church	2.30pm	as arranged (approx. bi-monthly), usually in Hall to 4.30pm
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
HOPE Group	7.20 for 7.30pm	1 st & 3 rd Wednesdays each month, in the Vestry
Crafters	2.00pm	Thursdays in the Vestry
Crossway	7.30pm	3 rd Thursday each month (not July & August) in Hall
Cake & Company	10.00am	3 rd Friday each month in the Hall (to 12noon)



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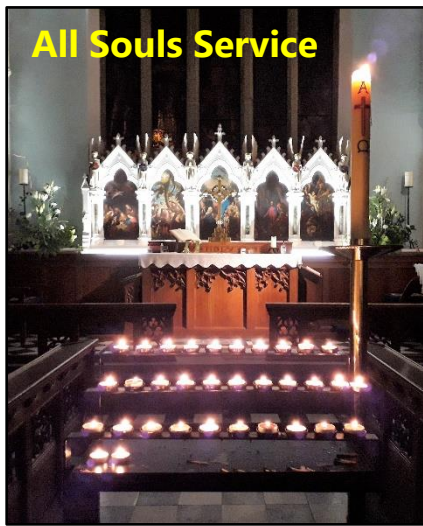
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All Souls Service



Remembrance Service



(Left to Right)

Corporal Salter,
Private Twomey
and
Staff Sergeant
Jamie Green
(who laid the
wreath)
with Chris
(and see Pg4)