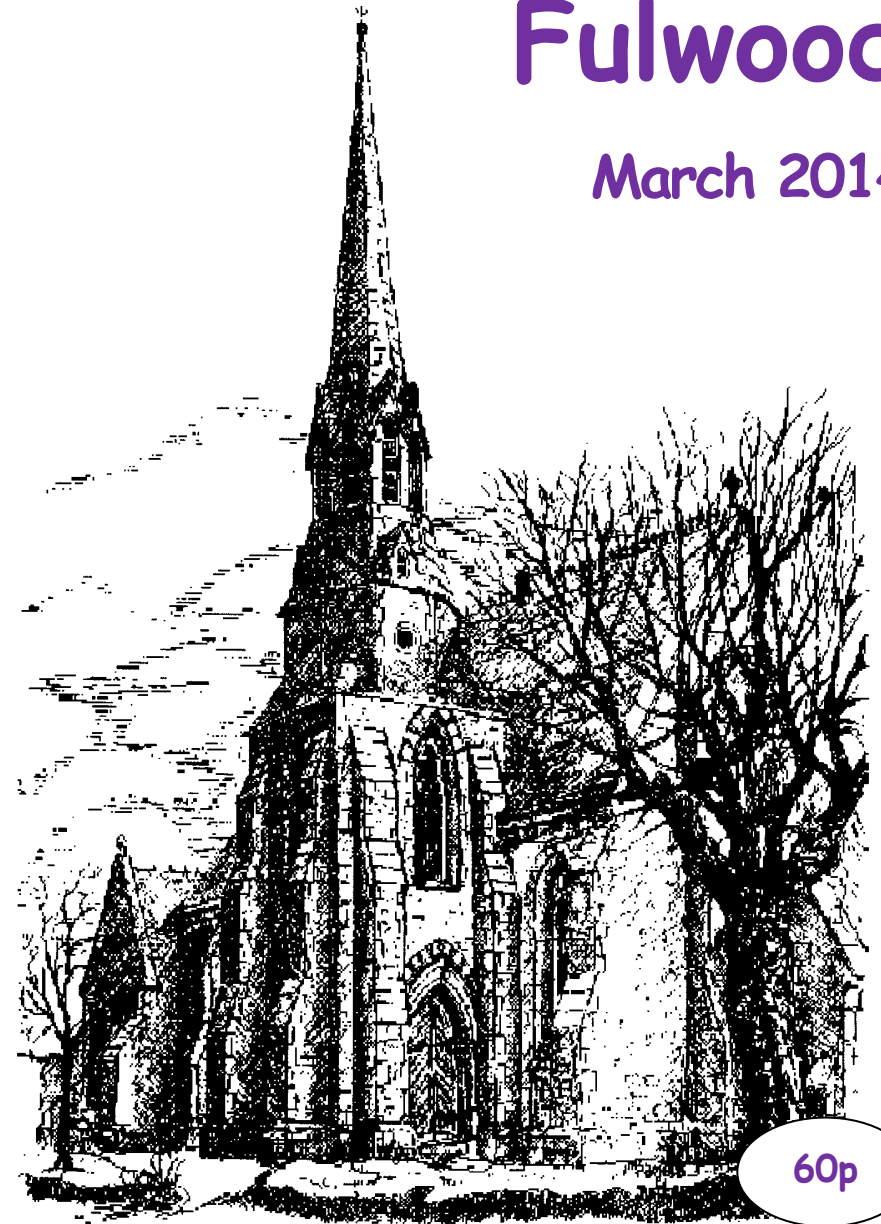




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£750 was raised
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(see Pg 5)

Christ Church Fulwood

March 2014



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Church Hall The Church Hall is available for hire, particularly for weekly/monthly events. Contact: Margaret Brown 6 Colebatch Tel: 717008
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or Parish Office at Church Hall Tel: 875823
or Keith Cameron 104 Victoria Rd Tel: 717304

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 Prayer (BCP) (5 th Sunday)
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer (BCP) Holy Communion (BCP) (4 th Sunday in the month)

Weekday Services 9.00am Morning Prayer each Tues, Wed & Thur during term time
10.30am Holy Communion every Thursday
7.00pm Evening Prayers each Thursday during term-time

Baptism, Confirmation, Marriages & Funerals

All by arrangement with Brian, the Vicar (Tel: 719210)

Visiting 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. Shirley Duggan & Hilda Waring (Our Pastoral Assistants) are also available to visit the housebound (contact details - inside front cover).

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 2nd 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
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
Youth Club	7.45pm	Mondays in term time at St Cuthbert's
Parent & Toddlers	10.00am	Mondays in term time (to 11.30am) in the Hall
Crafters & Needleworkers	2.00pm	Thursdays in Church
Crossway	7.30pm	3 rd Thursday each month (not July & August) in Hall
H.O.P.E. Group	7.15pm	for 7.30pm, 1 st & 3 rd Wednesdays each month, in Vestry

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Church Events in March 2014

Sun	2 Mar	10.30am	Young people in Church before JChurch/Pathfinders
Mon	3 Mar	7.45pm	Youth Club at St Cuthbert's (each Monday)
Wed	5 Mar	9.00am	Morning Prayer Service Church (each Tu, Wed, Th) ASH WEDNESDAY Prayer in Church: 9am, 12noon 7.30pm ASH WEDNESDAY Service with Ashing (HOPE Pg7)
Thur	6 Mar	10.30am	Holy Communion Service in Church (each Thurs) 7.00pm Evening Prayers in Vestry each Thurs (to 7.30pm)
Fri	7 Mar	7.30pm	CTFB Women's Day of Prayer Service at URC (Pg4)
Sun	9 Mar	10.30am	Young people in Church before JChurch/Pathfinders 10.30am HC Service at St Alban's Church, Barracks
Mon	10 Mar		Brian at Bishop's Advisory Panel this week (see Pg4) 7.00pm PCC in the Vestry 7.30pm Lent in the Minster Series (1/5) see Pg6
Wed	12 Mar	7.30pm	Special Lent HOPE Group in the Vestry (1/5) Pg 7
Fri	14 Mar	7.00pm	St Patrick's Day Social in Hall (see Pg7)
Sat	15 Mar	7.45am	Cars leaves for 'New Wine' Day in Harrogate
Sun	16 Mar	10.30am	Young people in Church before JChurch/Pathfinders
Mon	17 Mar	7.30pm	Lent in the Minster Series (2/5) see Pg6
Tues	18 Mar	7.30pm	'150yr Celebrations' planning group in Upper Room
Wed	19 Mar	7.30pm	Special Lent HOPE Group in the Vestry (2/5) Pg 7
Thur	20 Mar	7.30pm	Crossway Mtg in the Hall (see Pg 6)
Mon	22 Mar	10.00am	Farmers' Market - Fulwood Methodist Church to 2pm
Sun	23 Mar	10.30am	Young people in Church before JChurch/Pathfinders
Mon	24 Mar	7.30pm	Annual Church Meetings in Church 7.30pm Lent in the Minster Series (3/5) see Pg6
Wed	26 Mar	7.30pm	Special Lent HOPE Group in the Vestry (3/5) Pg 7 7.30pm Preston Deanery Synod in Ribchester
Sun	30 Mar	10.30am	MOTHERING SUNDAY Family Service - Church Parade
Mon	31 Mar	7.30pm	Lent in the Minster Series (4/5) see Pg 6

Forward Notice for April

Tues	15 Apr	10.30am	<u>Maunder Thurs Cathedral Service</u> is now on Tuesday!
Thur	24 Apr	am	Cookery Demonstration and Lunch in Hall (see Pg6)

And finally . . . **This Lent:** be kinder than necessary, everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle. You never know when a moment and a few sincere words can have an impact on a life.

"A parable of unpicked stitches"



This might not be a parable you recognise, and that's because it's not from the Bible! This is a parable from my life. I have just spent the best part of a week sitting with a pin in one hand and a patchwork in the other, laboriously unpicking row after row of machine stitches. I had created some lovely artwork with my class in school and thought I would just whizz it together on the sewing machine. After getting about half-way through, I realised my haste had caused me to be careless, the blocks were all different sizes and I had sewn them together unevenly. If I carried on, my patchwork was going to be a mess. I was sorely tempted to carry on regardless; after all, I'd already done the lion's share of the stitching. But I knew I would never be satisfied with the result. So instead I went about the process of unpicking the lot, measuring it properly and stitching it together again. What could have taken me a couple of evenings if I had done it right first time, ended up taking me an entire week.



This Lent we have time to take stock of our mistakes and our failings, the times when we have rushed into things without stopping to think. When we rush into things without engaging our brains, it can be so easy to hurt people. And whilst it is quick to make those mistakes, putting them right is painful and takes a long time. After my "stitching debacle", I know I am going to be thinking twice before rushing into things in the near future. The good news is, whilst we rush into things and make mistakes, and whilst our lives can sometimes seem like a tangle of stitches, God is the master artist and will take all the time he needs to unpick our messy bits and put us back to being beautiful. The Bible says God is like the potter, and we are the clay; we are constantly being moulded and made more beautiful the longer God works on us.

I pray God moulds us all beautiful this Lent.

Every blessing

Emma



Sunday Worship in March

2nd March

Sunday next before Lent



8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)	
10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Welcome: Keith & Sue Cameron Intercessions: Brian/Peter/Emma Bread & Wine: Paul & Michelle Jordan Communion Assistant: Shirley Duggan
Readings:	2 Pet. 1. 16 - end	John Bailey
	Matt. 17. 1-9	Irene Hurst
Hymns:	0227, 025, 0234, 125	
6.30 p.m.	Evening Prayer (BCP) Welcome: Elsie Lenton	
Readings:	2 Kings 2. 1-12	Elsie Lenton
	Matt. 17. 9-23	Michael Lenton
Hymns:	50, 16	Psalm: 84



9th March

First Sunday of Lent

8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)	
10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Welcome: Barbara Barber & Angela Crook Intercessions: Brian/Peter/Emma Bread & Wine: David and Jane Dunsmore Communion Assistant: Chris Hedley
Readings:	Gen. 2. 15 - 17; 3. 1-7	Michael Lenton
	Matt. 4. 1-11	Elsie Lenton
Hymns:	0429, 0125, 115, 235	
6.30 p.m.	Evening Prayer (BCP) Welcome: Elsie Lenton	
Readings:	Deut. 6. 4-9	Brent Sutton
	Luke 15. 1-10	Karen Sutton
Hymns:	57, 10	Psalm: 50. 1-15



Flowers in March Lent: no flowers (except for Mothering Sunday)

Refreshment Rota

Sun	2 Mar	Margaret Brown & Beverley Worgan
Sun	9 Mar	Steve & Chris Hedley
Sun	16 Mar	Mary Fletcher & Marie Wylie
Sun	23 Mar	Sue Cameron & Katie McCormack
Sun	30 Mar	Mary Hatcher, Jean Preston & Sue Walsh



Peter Hamborg's Leaving: in a sense Peter's last Sunday will be Easter Day but not to compete with our special Easter Festival Peter will come back on Sunday May 4th to the 10.30am service ONLY, where he will Preside at Holy Communion. We have agreed that we will share the sermon slot - ~~2 x 20 minutes~~ - only joking! We want to thank Peter in a tangible way for his ministry here at Christ Church. An envelope is provided for you to put in your gift; it's available at the back of Church. If they could be returned by Easter Day 20th April at the latest that would be great. Thank you very much. Brian



HOPE in Lent - HOPE group will meet in the Vestry every Wednesday during Lent - 7.15 for a 7.30pm start aiming to finish at 9pm. We will have the support of Brian, Peter, Emma, Graham and Adam as we explore the meaning behind the words Jesus spoke on the cross.

HOPE in Lent

Everyone is welcome - it does not matter if you have not been before or if you can't get to every meeting.

Please join us for this great opportunity for spiritual growth together.

Wed 5th March - Ash Wednesday - evening communion in church

Wed 12th March - 'I'm thirsty' - discussion facilitated by Emma

19th March - 'Today you will be with me in Paradise' - facilitated by Peter

26th March - 'My God, My God, why have You forsaken me?' facilitated by Brian

Wed 2nd April - 'Mother, behold thy son' - facilitated by Graham

Wed 9th April - 'Father forgive them' - facilitated by Adam

For further information contact Elizabeth on 07568 340955 or email

eabailey@blueyonder.co.uk



The Christ Church 150 Group invites you to a
St Patrick's Night Ceilidh and supper!

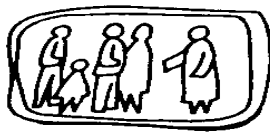
With live music and dancing to the very popular
Millstone Folk and Ceilidh Band

Friday 14 March 2014 at 7pm

In the Church Hall, Victoria Road, Fulwood

Tickets only £12 for adults and £8 for under 16's - including the meal!
Tickets from Steve Hedley 07917 704149 or sign up on the sheet in church





What's happening in our PARISH



Crossway Our first meeting of the year was well attended and enjoyed by all, as quite a few people had visited the Holy Land in the past and were interested to compare it with their memories, whilst others were interested to see some of the sites mentioned so often in the Bible.

Barton Grange

Our meeting on Thursday 20th March at 7.30pm should be fascinating as we're delighted to welcome Guy Topping from Barton Grange who will tell us about its creation - the title of his presentation being 'Creating our Dream'. We do hope that many of you will come along to hear him - as usual in The Church Hall.

Hopefully many of you will have signed up now to join us at Alston Hall on **Thursday 10th April for a dinner** and afterwards a fun time when 'Doris + Elsie' will share their humorous poetry with us. They previously came in 2009 and were excellent. The cost is £20 each and transport will be by shared cars - please sign up at the back of church.

Creation of a Banner!!

If you are creative - why not design a banner for our 150-year celebration? The banner will hang on the back wall of Church and be the same size as the 'Guild' banner. By Easter Sunday please hand your design to Joan Curphey or Elsie Lenton. (More details were in January's Magazine)

Lent in the Minster - in addition to our own 'HOPE in Lent' (Pg7) there is a Lent Series of talks in the Minster every Monday - see poster in Church.

A date for your diary - Christ Church Table Top Sale, Sat 12th April, 11am to 1.30pm in the Church Hall: Craft stalls, 'New to You' and Refreshments; enquiries to John Marler 01772 652751 or Steve Hedley 07917704149.

The Inner Wheel Club of Preston is holding a Cookery Demonstration and Lunch on **Thursday, 24th April in the Church Hall**. The proceeds will be split between the 'Christ Church 150 Fund' & Deafway (a local charity helping deaf adults) and children in Nepal. ALL are welcome, more details from Sue Cameron (Pr. 717304) or see next month's magazine.

16th March

8.00 a.m.
10.30 a.m.

2nd Sunday of Lent

Holy Communion (BCP)
Holy Communion Welcome: Norman & Margaret Harrison
Intercessions: Brian/Peter/Emma
Bread & Wine: Susan Dewhurst & Carol Knight
Communion Assistant: Hilda Waring

Readings: Rom. 4. 1-5. 13-17 Alison Tait
John 3. 1-17 Jacqueline Ballard

Hymns: 028, 157, 63, 336
12.30pm Baptism in Church

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer (BCP) Welcome: Elsie Lenton
Peter Hamborg

Readings: Num. 21. 4-9 Elsie Lenton
Luke 14. 27-33 Elsie Lenton
Hymns: 217, 177 Psalm: 135

BAPTISM

23rd March

8.00 a.m.
10.30 a.m.

3rd Sunday of Lent

Holy Communion (BCP)
Holy Communion Welcome: Joyce Masterton & Sue McConkey
Intercessions: Brian/Peter/Emma
Bread & Wine: Jacob & Cathy Thomas
Communion Assistant: Gwynneth Greenwood

Readings: Rom. 5. 1-11 Sue McConkey
John 4. 5-42 Julia Laing

Hymns: 394, 017, 156, 147
6.30 p.m. Holy Communion (BCP) Welcome: Elsie Lenton

Readings: Eph. 5. 1-14 Margaret McGuire
Luke 11. 14-28 Michael Higgins

Hymns: 209, 176

LENT

Remember
clocks go
forward an
hour

30th March

8.00 a.m.
10.30am

MOTHERING Sunday

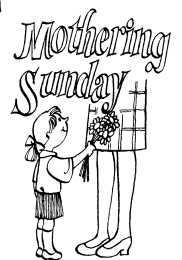
Holy Communion (BCP)
Family Service with Church Parade

Welcome: David Sergeant & Shirley Duggan

Hymns & Readings: to come Readers: Keith/ Sue Cameron
12.30pm Baptism in Church **BAPTISM**

6.30p.m. Evening Prayer (BCP) Welcome: Elsie Lenton
Readings: Mic. Ch 7 Elsie Lenton

James Ch. 5 Michael Lenton
Hymns: 394, 19(omit starred verses) Psalm: 31. 1-8



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

Hilda **HAWORTH** Doncaster died 9th Jan

Hilda and her husband Jack lived in Doncaster but on her death her son John brought her back to Preston for her funeral and Jack has now moved back to Preston to live with the family. Her son John and family all live locally. The Funeral Service was held at the Crematorium.

Leo **RAIN** Plungington Road died 10th Jan

Leo was a hard working Prestonian with a sociable character and good sense of humour. His service at the crematorium was well attended by family and friends who turned out to pay tribute to him. He is survived by his wife Brenda, daughter Ann and son Geof.

Christine **BOARDWELL** Ingol (formerly of Higher Bank Rd.) died 13th Jan
In 2006 I conducted the funeral of Christine's mother. Christine is survived by her husband Thomas and son Rossall. Following the tragic death of her brother she formed a charity called "Despair after suicide" making herself available for those who needed help. Her service was held at the Crematorium.

3rd February Mary **GRAYSON** Bay Tree Farm, Lea died 21st Jan
Mary was a sociable lady who made friends wherever she went. For many years she ran an Insurance Brokers on Ribbleton Lane with her husband and before that a shoe shop. She was a fun-loving family person who will be greatly missed by her children and grandchildren. She is survived by her son Alec and daughters Mary, Ann and Michelle. Her service was held in church.

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Women's Day of Prayer This year's Women's Day of Prayer

Evening Service co-ordinated by the Churches of Fulwood and Broughton is at the United Reformed Church, Symonds Road, Fulwood, on **Friday 7th March**, at 7.30pm. The service has been prepared by the women of Egypt on the theme of 'Streams of the Desert'. Will be followed by refreshments, **all welcome.** [Jane Campbell]



10-13th March Please pray for Brian as he attends, as a national selector, a Bishop's Advisory Panel and for the 8 candidates he has to help to assess.

Fairtrade Fortnight 24th Feb to 9th March 2014

There will be two main Fairtrade events in St George's Shopping Centre on 1st and 8th of March; these include a Banana Competition, a Raffle and Fairtrade Cake-making Competitions. On 1st March this will be for Schools but on the 8th March it will be for the general public. So we hope you can bake a cake with at least two Fairtrade ingredients and bring it along to the event, to be judged on both appearance and taste.

On Sunday 30th March (Mothering Sunday) there will be a Fairtrade stall in the Church Hall following the Parade Service. For further information please contact Margaret Harrison on Pr. 712869



Christian Aid 4 million people in Syria are in need of medicines, water & food:- please put your donation in the collecting box at the back of church.

Burns Night Thanks to everyone who contributed to a very enjoyable Burns Night on Sat. 25th January (see photos back cover). While enjoying ourselves we raised **£750 for the 'Christ Church 150 Fund'** to help in restoring our church building. [Steve Hedley]



Parish Development Project Members of the PCC spent some time together on a Saturday in February looking at the next stage of the project. We brought together all the information we have collected over the past few months including the 'Have your Say' comments from Mission Month last October. We agreed on our Vision and priorities.

We also looked at what we do already as a Christian community, what we could improve on, stop doing and new things that we could do too. From this we are developing a draft three year plan which we would like your opinion on. The draft plan will be presented at our AGM on 28th March and then sent out for consultation to see what you think.

Early headlines are that we feel we could do more to reach out to young families and young people as well as older folk, especially those who are isolated. The PCC look forward to hearing your thoughts on the plan. More information will follow on the display at the back of Church. [Chris, Brian, Emma and Graham]