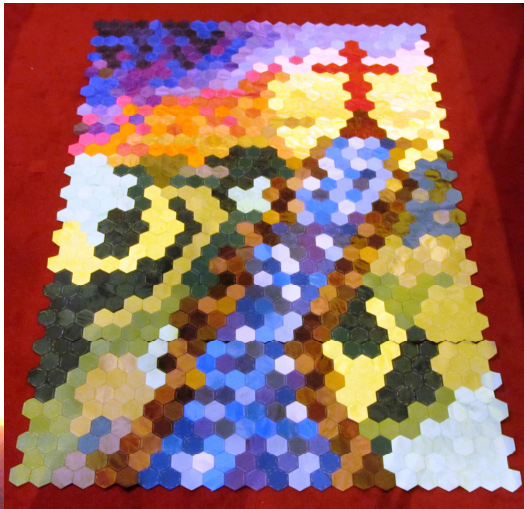




The Crafters
have made a start
on the '150 year
anniversary' banner - 916
hexagons now form the
'background'.



The Archbishop of
York and Bishop Julian
at Blackpool Tower
Ballroom in November
- 2000 audience and
200 more 'locked out'

Note from Brian:
You will have
received our "Christ
Church Fulwood
Celebrating 150
years of Christian
Witness" booklet;
somehow this mention
from The Fulwood
Club did not make
that brochure.



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Wishes to congratulate
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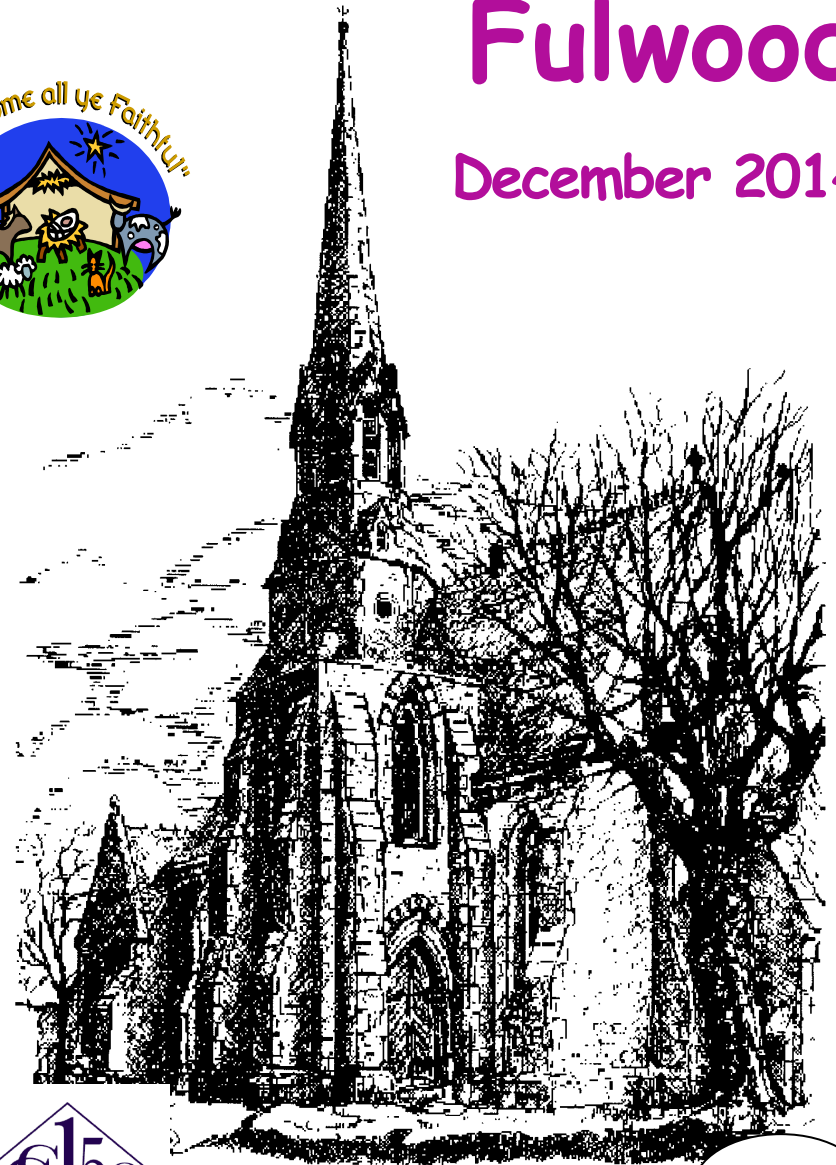
All Welcome

The Fulwood Club, 75 Victoria Road, PR2 8NH



Christ Church Fulwood

December 2014



60p



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Church Hall The Church Hall is available for hire, particularly for weekly/monthly events. **Contact:** Margaret Brown, Colebatch Tel: 07926 374863

or Tel: 717008

or Sue Cameron Victoria Rd Tel: 717304

or Parish Office at the Church Hall Tel: 875823



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 Prayer (BCP) (5th Sunday)

6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

Holy Communion (BCP) (4th 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. Hilda Waring (Our Pastoral Assistant) is 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 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

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

H.O.P.E. Group 7.15pm for 7.30pm, 1st & 3rd Wednesdays each month, in Vestry

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Church Events in December 2014

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|------|--------|--------------------|--|
| Mon | 1 Dec | 7.30pm | Mtg in the Vestry for those going to Iona |
| Tues | 2 Dec | 9.00am | Morning Prayer Service Church (each Tu, Wed, Th) |
| Wed | 3 Dec | 7.30pm | HOPE Group in the Vestry - see Pg 6 |
| Thur | 4 Dec | 10.30am | Holy Communion Service in Church (each Thurs) |
| | | 7.00pm | Whalley (undertakers) Memorial Service in Church |
| Sun | 7 Dec | 10.30am | Young people in Church before JChurch/Pathfinders |
| | | 2.00pm | Preston Masonic Carol Service |
| Mon | 8 Dec | 10.00am | Parent & Toddler Christmas Party in Hall |
| | | 7.45pm | Youth Club at St Cuthbert's (each Monday) |
| Thur | 11 Dec | 6.30 for 7pm | Crossway Christmas Dinner at Vincent's (Pg6) - NOTE |
| | | 7.00pm | Evening Prayers in Vestry each Thurs (to 7.30pm) |
| Sun | 14 Dec | 10.30am | Family TOY Service - Church Parade |
| | | 10.30am | HC Service at St Alban's Church, Barracks |
| Wed | 17 Dec | 7.30pm | HOPE Group meets in the Vestry - see Pg 6 |
| Thur | 18 Dec | eve | 'Lancashire Sings Christmas' - Radio Lancs events |
| Sun | 21 Dec | 10.30am | NO Junior Church/Pathfinders (school holiday) |
| | | 6.30pm | Carol Service: Guest Preacher: Bishop Geoff (Lancaster) |
| Mon | 22 Dec | 7.45pm | NO Youth Club at St Cuthbert's (school holiday) |
| Tues | 23 Dec | 1.00pm | Wedding in Church |
| Wed | 24 Dec | 4.00pm | CHRISTMAS EVE Crib Service |
| | | 11.30pm | 'Midnight' Holy Communion |
| Thur | 25 Dec | 8.00am | CHRISTMAS DAY Holy Communion (BCP) - traditional |
| | | 10.30am | CHRISTMAS DAY Family Communion - more modern |
| Sun | 28 Dec | 10.30am | NO Junior Church/Pathfinders (school holiday) |
| Mon | 29 Dec | 7.45pm | NO Youth Club at St Cuthbert's (school holiday) |
| Tues | 30 Dec | 12.30pm | Wedding in Church |

Forward Notice for January

Sun 4 Jan 10.30am Stewardship Thanksgiving Service

And finally:

10,000 people were interviewed and asked:

"What was most responsible for your coming to church?"

79% responded **"A friend or relative invited me."**

This Christmastime is a wonderful opportunity for you to invite and bring a friend or relative to Church. Will you?



A very special Baby !!



In this our 150th year at Christ Church I have been reading about Christ Church and its history.



Did you know that on Christmas Day 1864 Richard Mitchel **Garner** son of James and Hannah was baptised at Christ Church? He was the "son of a Toll Collector." It must have been very special to have your child baptised on Christmas Day.

Now, 150 years later, we again celebrate another very special baby - His name was Jesus the "son of a carpenter". In Matthew's Gospel the angel instructs Joseph: "you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins".

The Evangelical Gospel preacher always asks his listener, "Are you saved?" A strange question today I sense? But yet in this my own life I sense that above all Jesus has saved me from myself. Let's be honest, at heart we can all be selfish pursuing our own will and not that of our maker. James and Hannah wanted the best for Richard 150 years ago. Jesus our Saviour, born over 2000 years ago, desires the best for us all.

This Christmas please make this our prayer:

"Come into my heart Lord Jesus there is room in my heart for you".

With my love and prayer in Jesus our Saviour's name

Brian



TOY (Family) Service- Sun 14th Dec:

please bring to the Service **NEW** toys or those in **EXCELLENT** condition which you will donate for passing on to the Salvation Army. In December they receive requests in the 100s from Social Services for toys to give to children from needy families in Preston. Particularly appreciated are any items suitable for teenagers.



Sunday Worship in December

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7th December

2nd Sunday of Advent

ADVENT

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30 a.m. Holy Communion

Welcome: Ian Greenwood & David Rhodes

Intercessions: Adam and Cathy Thomas

Bread & Wine: Phil & Chris Barton

Communion Assistant: Lisa Rogerson

Readings: Isaiah 40: 1-11 David Dunsmore

Mark 1: 1-8 Mary Fletcher

Hymns: 27, 052, 180, 0422

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer (BCP) Welcome: Paul Jordan

Readings: 1 Kings 22. 1-28 Paul Jordan

2 Peter 3. 8-15a Brian McConkey

Hymns: 0225, 0119 Psalm: 40



14th December

3rd Sunday of Advent

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am Family TOY Service with Church Parade

Welcome: Joyce Masterton & George Tait

Prayers: Viki Cuthbertson

Readings: to come

Hymns: to come

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer (BCP) Welcome: Paul Jordan

Readings: Mal. 3. 1-4; Ch. 4 Michael Higgins

Matt. 14. 1-12 Paul Jordan

Hymns: 31, 10 Psalm: 68. 1-1

TOYS

You can
help -
see
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Flowers in December

Thur 4 Dec Advent - no flowers

Thur 11 Dec Advent - no flowers

Thur 18 Dec Christmas: Mary, Jean, Shirley, Joyce, Judith & Barbara

Refreshment Rota

Sun 7 Dec Sue Walsh & Tracy Worswick

Sun 14 Dec Gwynneth Greenwood, Joyce Masterton & Alison Tait

Sun 21 Dec Margaret Brown & Jane Dunsmore

Sun 28 Dec Joan Curphey & Beverley Worgan



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2014 Stewardship Campaign

Stewardship Report

Thank you for your response to the
2014 Stewardship Campaign.



The returns show a likely increase in church income of
a little **more than the £5,200 target, THANK YOU.**

As a result it has been possible for the Finance Committee to set a 'prudent'
budget for 2015, which has been accepted by the PCC.

Nearly $\frac{3}{4}$ of the returns show families giving through their
bank, the majority of the remaining $\frac{1}{4}$ will be using the white envelopes.



Ten new 'families' have joined the Stewardship Giving and most others have
felt able to increase their giving; new giving starts from the 1st January
2015. If you have sent in a return asking Church to make the arrangement
with your Bank for this, it is in hand. If you signed that you would set it up
yourself please can we remind you to do so for early next month?
With many thanks, Adam

A New Bishop for Burnley

Here in Preston we are in the Archdeaconry of
Lancaster and in effect look to the Archdeacon and
Bishop of Lancaster for our support. We have though,
as a Parish, sometimes had the ministry of the Bishop of Burnley at
Confirmations and most recently he (Bishop John) came to bless our 'new'
Vestry and officially open it. Bishop John retired earlier this year.



I am, therefore, pleased to share this note from Bishop Julian:

"Dear Brothers and Sisters

I can announce today that the new Bishop of Burnley will be the Rev'd Philip
North. Philip is currently Team Rector of the Parish of Old St Pancras, a
large inner city parish of four churches in the Camden area of north London.
Philip's consecration will be at York Minster on 2nd February 2015.

I'm sure you join with me in wishing Philip every blessing in his new role and
in assuring him of our prayers as he responds to God's call to serve as a
bishop in His Church. + Bishop Julian"

I have heard him speak a few times and he is very passionate about the
Church's engagement in Mission. [Brian]



What's happening in our PARISH

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Crossway



At our October meeting we were enthralled by Norman Harris's presentation of his ride across the USA and back again, it was an exceptionally good talk and really enjoyed by all.



This month we are going to Vincent's at Preston College for a Christmas Get-together on Thursday 11th December at 7pm so if you're going please **be there by 6.45pm**. There is still room if you've not signed up and would like to join us but please do so by the end of November (latest).

HOPE

HOPE Group Everyone is welcome at our December HOPE Group meetings. Don't worry if you haven't been before or can't make it to every meeting - it's not a course! We enjoy fun and fellowship as well as taking opportunities for spiritual growth with our discussions.

Wednesday 3rd - as we start the season of advent we will be considering the implications of Mary and Joseph as the earthly parents and guardians of Jesus. What kind of a person would the Father select as the husband of Mary and the guardian and earthly model for Jesus? How did Mary cope with the responsibility she had? Come and join in the discussion.

Wednesday 17th - Hope Christmas Party! Sharing our favourite Bible passages and activities enjoyed in our 2014 Hope meetings.

Meet in the vestry 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



Mandy Stanton

Mandy is the Lay Ministry Development Officer for the Diocese of Blackburn and has recently moved home into our Parish. We are delighted that she has become part of our Church community. Mandy is also a licensed Lay Reader and from time to time will be involved in preaching and leading worship. Mandy will be preaching at our 10.30am Service on Advent Sunday. [Brian]

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21st December

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion Welcome: John Marler & Bill Seddon

Intercessions: Brian McConkey
Bread & Wine: Owen & Annette Stever
Communion Assistant: Joan Curphey

Readings: Rom. 16. 25-end John Bailey
Luke 1. 26-38 Elizabeth Bailey

Hymns: Christmas Hymns
6.30 p.m. **CAROL SERVICE - Special Service sheet**

Guest Preacher: **Bishop Geoff**, Bishop of Lancaster

Welcome: Paul Jordan

Readings: to come Brent & Karen Sutton

Hymns: Christmas Carols

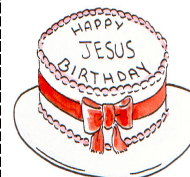


Wed 24th Dec

4.00pm
11.30pm

Christmas Eve

Crib Service
'Midnight' Holy Communion



Thurs 25th Dec

8.00pm
10.30am

Christmas Day

Holy Communion (BCP)
Christmas Day Family Communion

28th December

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion Welcome: Marie Wylie & Phyl Rhodes

Intercessions: Brian / Emma
Bread & Wine: John & Elizabeth Bailey
Communion Assistant: Shirley Duggan

Readings: Gal. 4. 4-7 Michael Lenton
Luke 2. 15-21 Elsie Lenton

Carols: from the Carol Sheet
6.30 p.m. Holy Communion (BCP) Welcome: Paul Jordan

Readings: Gal. 4. 1-7 Michael Higgins
Matt. 1. 18-end Paul Jordan

Carols: from the Carol Sheet





REGISTERS

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Christian Baptism 'We welcome you'

19th Oct Samuel Fraser **VANDOME**
 Parents: Michael and Charlotte, Deborah Ave.

26th Oct Elsie Lorén **SIMPSON**
 Parents: Christopher and Rebecca, Longley Close



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

20th Oct Hilda **ASHCFROFT** Allenby Avenue died 10th Oct
 Hilda was Preston born and bred but moved to Leyland with her husband Norman's work. She had 3 children Barbara, Gillian and her son Graham, who sadly died in 2012. They loved entertainment as a family and in particular enjoyed dancing at the Gaiety Bar in Blackpool.

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## Best Wishes from Bob and Viki . . .

Both of us are currently in Manila. It is tough here - minimum temp 25C, nice apartment, roof-top pool, car and driver .....!! Viki has settled in to life here - there are other ladies for her to associate with - on Monday she goes along to the BWA (British Women's Association - but better known as the Bitches, Witches and Alcoholics!) And - wait for it - she is bee-keeping with the University of the Philippines; working just one day a week at present.



The only downside is I'm very busy at work - which isn't all bad really. We have started going to the Anglican Church here in Makati - Holy Trinity. Services are conducted by a bishop - Arthur Jones, an Aussie, and attended by a mixed bag of nationalities - and locals. The Aussie ambassador also goes to Holy Trinity, nice to rub shoulders with the great and the good! Plus a member of the TVR Car Club! Small world what?

Please pass on our best wishes to all at Christ Church.

Viki will be home at end November (see Pg2, 14<sup>th</sup> Dec.) and I'm home at Christmas. Look forward to seeing you all then; very best wishes. Bob & Viki

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## Christmas Card Charity

From 1<sup>st</sup> Dec please pin your Christmas Card on the Church Display Boards and leave a charity donation. At the **Foxton Centre on Avenham** staff give up their Christmas at home with their families to cook and serve for the less fortunate in our City Centre. The Foxton is one of the longest serving Christian charities in the City. **Our donations in lieu of Christmas cards** will provide a Christmas Dinner to some of the most needy and vulnerable in our City. **THANK YOU.** [Brian]

## Donations since we started it have been:

|          |      |                                 |
|----------|------|---------------------------------|
| Dec 2009 | £124 | Baby Beat                       |
| Dec 2010 | £170 | Vine House                      |
| Dec 2011 | £184 | Salvation Army                  |
| Dec 2012 | £212 | Foxton Centre Christmas Lunches |
| Dec 2013 | £330 | Salvation Army Foodbank         |



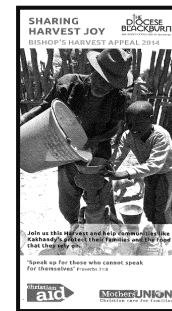
THANK YOU

Please donate in 2014

THANK YOU

## Recent Charity Events

Thank you for your generous support of the recent charity fund-raising events:



**Sept:** Macmillan Nurses Coffee Morning raised £1,502.85

**Oct:** The Bishop's Harvest Appeal raised £354.96 + Gift Aid

**Oct:** Wine Tasting evening raised £600 for the 'CC 150' Fund



Our thanks to those who organised the events, and to **YOU** who supported them, without you . . . . . !

