

Friday:
Brothers
in Arms



Friendship Festival



Saturday:
Skills Cafe
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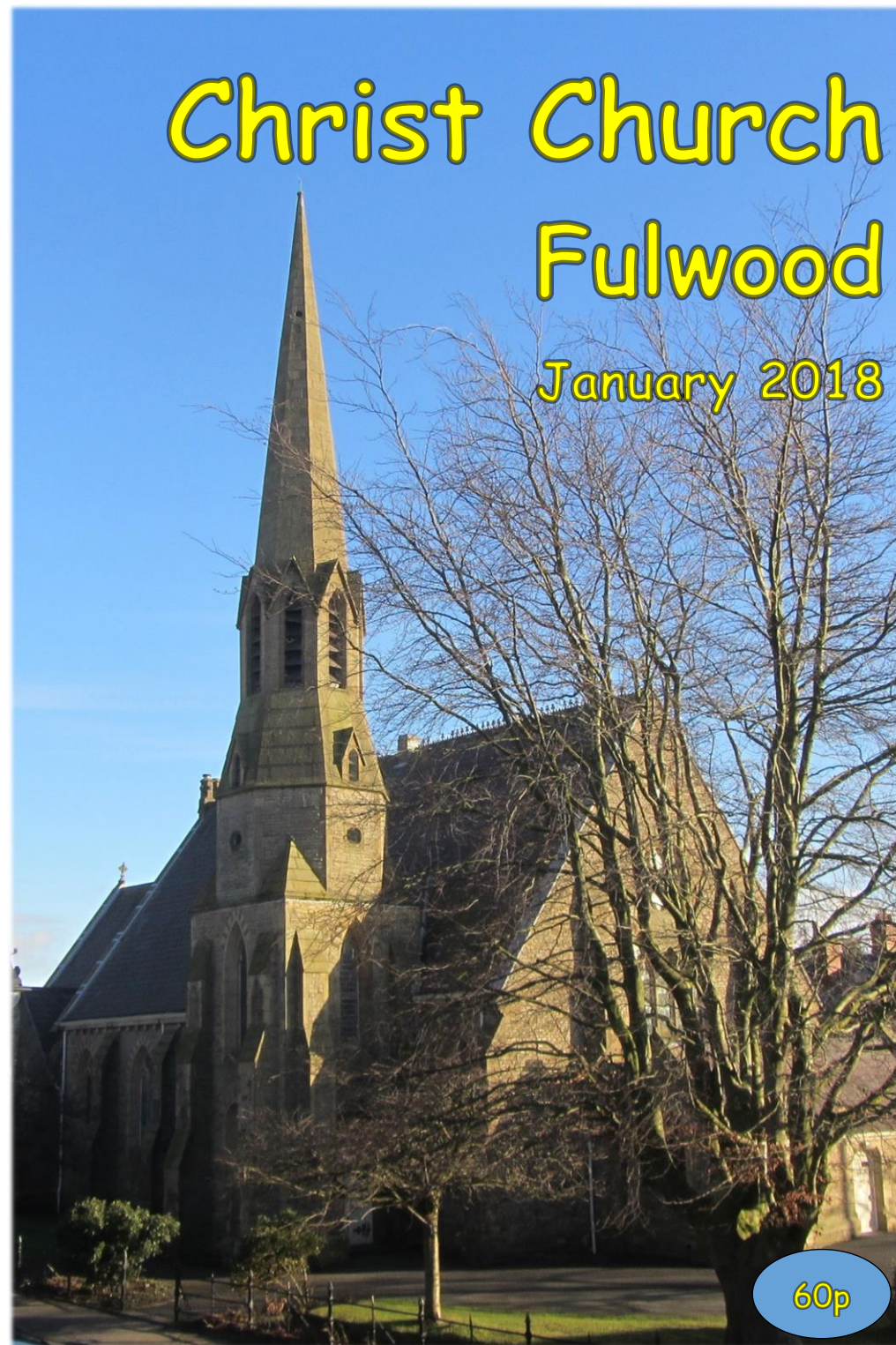


Launch of the Stained Glass Windows Heritage Project



and a Firework Display
opened the Pathfinders
'Bring a Friend' event

Sunday: Service and Messy Church



Christ Church Fulwood

January 2018

Christ Church

Victoria Rd Fulwood

PR2 8NE

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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 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 Worship (when there's a 5th Sunday)
 6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)
 Holy Communion (BCP) (4th 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 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 Vestry 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

Messy Church 2.30pm 2nd Sundays: Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept, Nov in Hall to 4.30

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 1st & 3rd Wednesdays each month, in the Vestry

Crafters 2.00pm Thursdays in the Vestry

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

Cake & Company 10.00am 3rd Friday each month in the Hall (to 12noon)

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Church Events in January 2018

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Wed	3 Jan	7.30pm	HOPE Group meets in the Vestry - see Pg 6
Thur	4 Jan	10.30am	Holy Communion Service in Church (each Thurs)
			Evening Prayers, Vestry (to 7.30pm) - see inside back cover
Fri	5 Jan	9.00am	Prayers in Church each Friday (see inside back cover)
Sun	7 Jan	10.30am	Young people: Epiphany Party - see Pg4
Wed	10 Jan	7.30pm	Reflective Service in Church
Thur	11 Jan	7.00pm	Bible Study, Vestry (to 8.30pm)
Sun	14 Jan	10.30am	CHRISTINGLE Service - Family Service
		2.30pm	Messy Church (starts in Hall) to 4.30pm - see Pg 4
Mon	15 Jan	7.00pm	P.C.C. in Upper Room
Tues	16 Jan		Interviews: seeking our next Vicar - see Pg 5
Wed	17 Jan	7.30pm	HOPE Group meets in the Vestry - see Pg 6
Thur	18 Jan		Start of 'Week of Prayer for Christian Unity'
		7.00pm	Evening Prayers in Vestry each Thurs (to 7.30pm)
		7.30pm	Crossway meets in the Hall - see Pg 6
Fri	19 Jan	10.00am	Cake and Company in Hall to 12 noon - all welcome
Sun	21 Jan	10.30am	Young people in Church before JunChurch/Pathfinders
Wed	24 Jan	12 noon	Deanery Chapter at St Andrew's, Ashton
Thur	25 Jan	7.00pm	Bible Study, Vestry (to 8.30pm)
Sat	27 Jan	7.00pm	Burns Night Celebration in the Hall - see Pg 7
Sun	28 Jan	10.30am	Young people in Church before JunChurch/Pathfinders



Forward Notice for February

Wed 14 Feb Ash Wednesday
(start of Lent)

'Week of Prayer for Christian Unity'

as we go to print the CTFB services have not been finalised, so please see Pews News in January for the details. [Phil]

And finally

as we start the New Year, you may like to try reading this

Amazing what our brain can work out!!!!

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Christingle

This month we will be having our Christingle Service in aid of the Children's Society on Sunday 14th January at 10.30am.



The Children's Society is a national charity that runs local services that help thousands of children and young people who desperately need support. They also campaign to make sure laws are changed to make children's lives better.



At 'The Children's Society' they make it their mission to bring hope to children and young people during life's most desperate moments, helping them to build a better future. They work with some of the most vulnerable children and young people in this country who are facing terrible hardship, abuse and neglect. Although the issues these children face are varied, the root problem is often the same - their needs are being ignored and their voices are going unheard.



That's why they make sure the children and young people they work with are valued and supported for as long as they need help. Highly-trained project workers listen to children, respond to their needs and provide one-to-one support and group sessions to help young people rebuild their lives and enjoy better futures.

For many children, having one of the project workers to talk to is the first time their voice has ever really been heard. Taking the time to listen to what children and young people say is what should drive all of us to keep tackling the issues which prevent them from fulfilling their potential.



Christingle services have been bringing hope to thousands of children and young people for the past 48 years, by helping to provide vital financial support for their work. The funds raised through Christingle celebrations are vital in ensuring that some of the most vulnerable can be reached.

Do try and support the work of the Children's Society this month, and in our lives, let us remember the words of Christ Himself:

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

Blessings and peace as we start the New Year.

Phil



Sunday Worship in January

7th January The Epiphany

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)



10.30am **Epiphany Party** - the young people are invited to an Epiphany Party in the Hall, till 12noon - see page 4

10.30am Holy Communion
 Welcome: Paul Koziarski & Joyce Masterton
 Prayers: Joan & Ken
 Bread & Wine: Brian Haworth & John Marler
 Communion Assistants: Adrienne Clarkson & Mandy Stanton
 Readings: Ephesians 3: 1-12 David Dunsmore
 Matthew 2: 1-12 Jane Dunsmore
 6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP) Welcome: Julia Laing
 Readings: Isaiah 60: 1-9 Michael Higgins
 John 2: 1-11 Phil McClenaghan
 Psalm: 72

14th January 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am Christingle Family Service

Welcome: Frank & June McCandlish
 Prayers: Graham

Readings: to come Joan & Ken Curphey

6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP) Welcome: Margaret Ghorri
 Readings: Isaiah 60: 9-end Karen Sutton
 Hebrews 6:17 - 7:10 Brent Sutton
 Psalm: 96



Flowers in January

Thur 4 Jan Joyce Masterton & Shirley Duggan
 Thur 11 Jan Full Team
 Thur 18 Jan Joyce Masterton & Shirley Duggan
 Thur 25 Jan Hilary Catchpole & Barbara Barber



BURNS NIGHT

Sat 27th Jan 2018 7pm

In the Church Hall

Music

Dancing

Meal

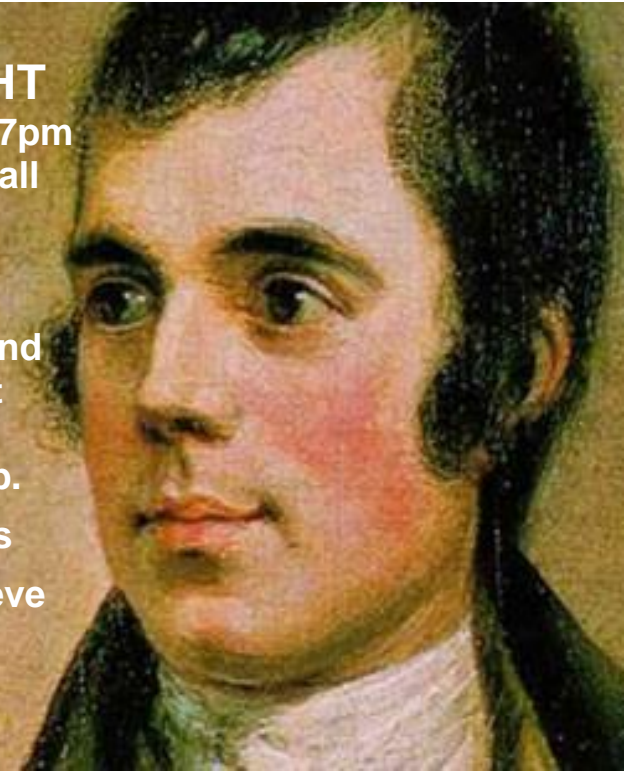
Burn's poems and
entertainment

Cost £12.50 p.p.

BOB and glass

Tickets from Steve
Hedley

07917 704149

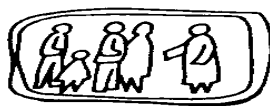


Friendship Festival

Christ Church Fulwood, Preston
24 - 26 November 2017

We had so many special moments throughout the weekend and these were created by those who helped in any way.

The Planning Group want to extend a massive thank you to all those who took part and made the main events such a success. The aim of the weekend was to extend the hand of friendship into our local community. There was something for everyone and we were delighted to see so many new faces amongst us. There are always lessons to learn and we will be looking at what we might do differently in the future as well as keeping the things that worked. The feedback from the Diocesan Team that joined us was very positive and they continue to support our mission to be a vibrant Christian community, celebrating our faith and serving the community of Fulwood. Thanks again, Chris (Hedley) on behalf of the Planning Team.



Crossway



Happy New Year to you - we pray that this year will be happy & healthy for you all.

Last November we had a wonderful informative presentation about 'The Argentine Patagonia' by Michael Lenton. There was a great variety in it from humorous clips at the beginning to super maps and photos and was enjoyed by all.

Our meeting this month is on **Thursday 18th January** at 7.30pm in the Church Hall when another of our parishioners is speaking - on Hidden Burma. As Burma (Myanmar) hits the headlines again, Sue Wright will give an illustrated talk about her visit to this beautiful, mysterious country with its rich history and architecture, and its often unseen way of life. So we hope many of you will brave the dark night and come along. If you'd like a lift to Crossway please give Joan a ring (716833).



Just a reminder: yearly subs are due in January and they will continue at £12 for the year - or you can pay for individual monthly meetings at £2.50 on the door.

HOPE Group

3rd January

Faith: Believing and Pleasing God

HOPE

Jesus wondered, "When the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?" (Luke 18:8). How can we grow in the kind of faith He's looking for?

17th January There's a Proverb for That: That's Not Fair!

Just saying "life isn't fair" doesn't seem to ease our discouragement when we feel we've been treated unfairly. Perhaps the Proverbs can do better.

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 7.20 for a 7.30pm 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)

21st January 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

8.00am

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

Holy Communion

Welcome:

Dorothy Bradley & Trevor Sumner

Prayers:

Elizabeth & John

Bread & Wine:

Linda Koziarska & Hilda Waring

Communion Assistants:

Joan & Ken Curphey

Readings:

Revelation 19:6-10

Ian Greenwood

John 2: 1-11

Gwynneth Greenwood

6.30pm

Evening Prayer (BCP)

Welcome: Julia Laing

Readings:

Jeremiah 3:21-4:2

Julia Laing

Titus 2: 1-8, 11-14

Margaret Ghorri

Psalm:

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28th January 4th Sunday of Epiphany

8.00am

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

Holy Communion

Welcome:

Margaret & Norman Harrison

Prayers:

Mandy

Bread & Wine:

Frank & June McCandlish

Communion Assistants:

Gwynneth Greenwood & Shirley Duggan

Readings:

Revelation 12: 1-5a

Michael Lenton

Mark 1: 21-28

Elsie Lenton

6.30pm

Holy Communion (BCP)

Welcome: Graham Hickey

Readings:

1 Corinthians 9:24-end

Graham Hickey

Matthew 20: 1-16

Ruth Shrubshan

Refreshment Rota - a new rota starts in January, see below

Sun 7 Jan

Joan & Ken Curphey

Sun 14 Jan

Linda Clare, Jean Preston & Bev Worgan

Sun 21 Jan

Doris Sellers, Mary James & Margaret Brown

Sun 28 Jan

Sue Cameron, Elizabeth & John Bailey



New 2018 Rotas

New rotas start from January for: **Welcomers, Readers, Intercessors, Communion Assistants, Refreshments, those who Clean Church and for those taking forward the Bread & Wine. If you're involved in any of these please ensure you have received a new rota (if not ask Graham, Chris, Joan or Ken).**

**Christian Funeral** 'In Christ all will be brought to life'**Susan Allen Croftgate died 10th Nov**

Sue lived in Preston from 1966 having lived previously in Staffordshire. She worked for many years at Priory High School in Penwortham. The strength of her marriage to Norman was an inspiration to many, and they shared many interests including gardening, reading, music, concerts and opera. She is remembered as a very thoughtful and private person, and is greatly missed by husband Norman, daughter Justine and son Jon as well as many other friends, family and ex-colleagues. Sue's funeral service was held at the Crematorium.

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**Message from Betty Edmundson**

"Betty Edmundson would, once again, like to thank everybody for their cards, kind wishes and prayers after her second operation; you were all so kind and it was appreciated. We wish everybody a very happy new year."

*Thank you***10.30am Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January: Epiphany Party**

the young people are invited to an Epiphany Party in the Hall till 12noon. Come and start the New Year celebrating our faith together. Details in the leaflet available from the back table in church.

**Come along to our first Messy Church** of 2018 on **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January**

when we will be exploring some of the stories shown in the church windows with fun games and activities. We will share our tea together. Starting in the Church Hall, 2.30 - 4.30. Names to Chris Hedley 01772 652475 [the\\_hedleys@btinternet.com](mailto:the_hedleys@btinternet.com) or sign up at the back of Church.



**Our next Cake & Company** coffee morning drop in for adults will be on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January from 10 am to 12 in the Hall. All are very welcome. Contact Margaret Harrison (01772 712869) or Steve Hedley (01772 652475) for further information.

**Vacancy update**

As many people know, the closing date for applications was the 17<sup>th</sup> November and we are pleased to say that there are three people who have applied. All three will be interviewed on 16<sup>th</sup> January. We will keep you informed on the outcome of the process as soon as we possibly can. If we do not appoint on this occasion we will go out to advert again until the right person comes along for us and us for them. We continue to pray for a positive outcome - no matter how long it takes.

**Chris (Hedley) PCC Vice-Chair****'October Count'**

Thanks for your help in 'signing in' to church during the first four Sundays in October, the details have been confirmed by PCC and sent to the Diocese.

Each year during October we are asked by the Diocese to let them know how many adults and children are in church each Sunday and how many **additional** adults attend services during the following week. These figures are collected from every church throughout the Diocese during October and are used to help decide the Parish Share (how much each church contributes towards the Diocese); much of this covers the cost of our Vicar, Vicarage, etc.

For us, last year, the Parish Share was over £60,000 so it's significant!!

**The totals are:**

|                                           | Adults | Under 16s | <b><u>additional</u></b> at<br>weekday services |
|-------------------------------------------|--------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------|
| w/b 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct (Holy Communion)  | 77     | 23        | 5                                               |
| w/b 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct (Family Service)  | 88     | 23        | 3                                               |
| w/b 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct (Holy Communion) | 56     | 17        | 3                                               |
| w/b 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct (Café Church)    | 65     | 33        | 6                                               |

**Christ Church AVERAGE Congregation in October 2017****On Sundays: 71 Adults and 24 Under 16s**