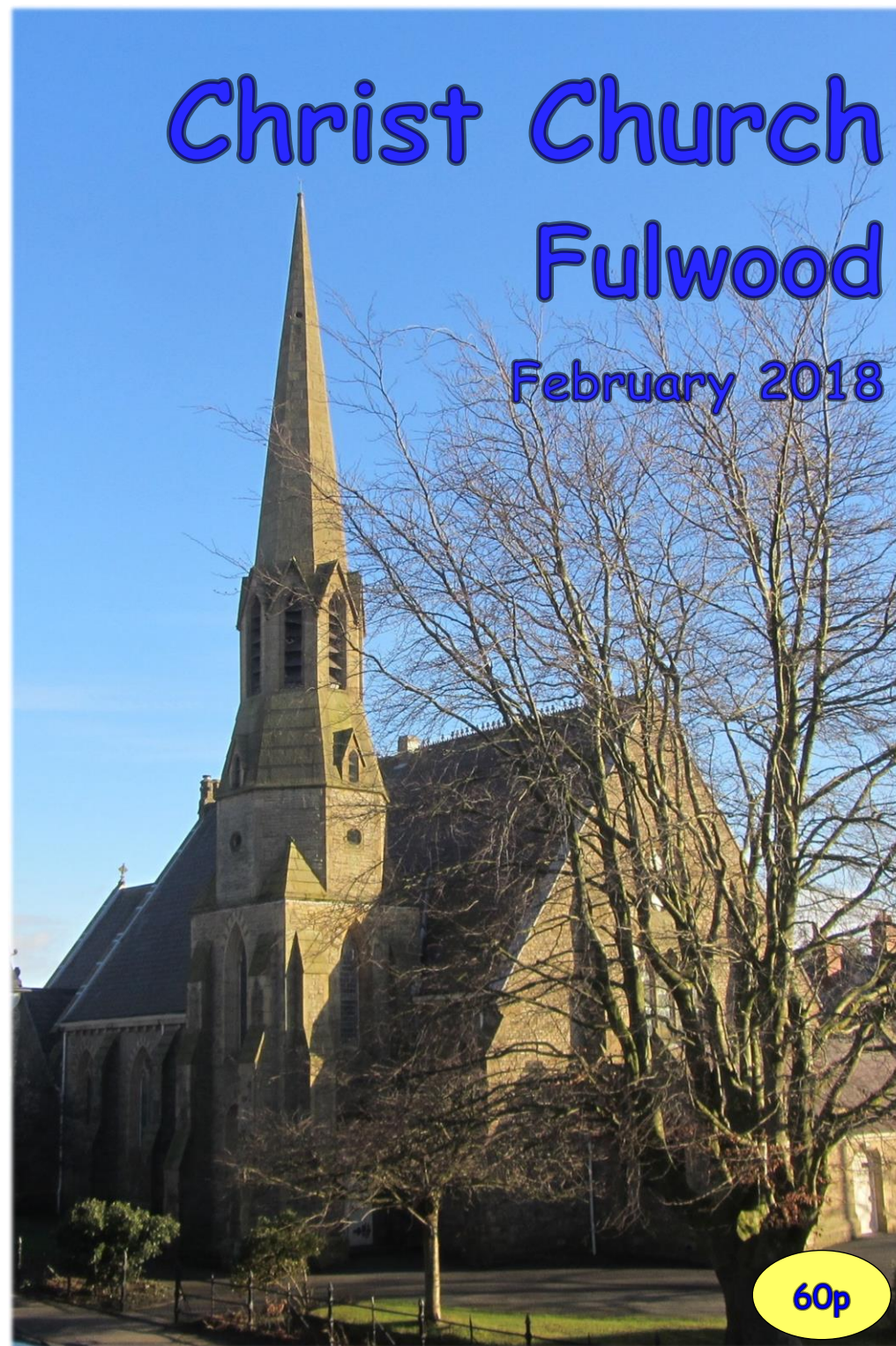




Christmas Lunch at Barton Grange Hotel



Café  
Carols





## 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  
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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 (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays in the month)  
Family Service (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday)  
Morning Worship (when there's a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday)  
6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)  
Holy Communion (BCP) (4<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Thursdays - Evening Prayers, in Vestry;  
at 7.00pm on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in Jan, March, May, July, Sept & Nov.

**Choir Practice** 9.45am each Sunday in Church (except 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays each month, in the Vestry  
**Crafters** 2.00pm Thursdays in the Vestry  
**Crossway** 7.30pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month (not July & August) in Hall  
**Cake & Company** 10.00am 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday each month in the Hall (to 12noon)

## Magazine

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## Church Events in February 2018

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Sun	28 Jan	6.30pm	Prayer and Praise Service - 30 years of CTFB (see below)
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Thur	1 Feb	7.00pm	Evening Prayers, Vestry (to 7.30pm) - see inside back cover
Fri	2 Feb	9.00am	Prayers in Church each Friday - see inside back cover
Sat	3 Feb	10.30am	Festival of Prayer at Blackburn Cathedral (with +Philip)
Sun	4 Feb	10.30am	<b>Young people in Church before JunChurch/Pathfinders</b>
		2.30pm	Messy Church, starts in the Hall (to 4.30pm) - see Pg5
Wed	7 Feb	7.30pm	HOPE Group meets in the Vestry - see Pg 6
Thur	8 Feb	10.30am	Holy Communion Service in Church (each Thurs)
		7.00pm	Bible Study, Vestry (to 8.30pm) - see inside back cover
Sat	10 Feb	10.00am	Marthoma Church in Church and Hall
Sun	11Feb	10.30am	<b>Family Service</b>
Mon	12 Feb	7.00pm	Parish Development Group, the Upper Room
			SHROVE TUESDAY: are you ready for your pancakes?
Wed	14 Feb	7.30pm	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY Service + Imposition of Ashes</b>
Thur	15 Feb	7.00pm	Evening Prayers in the Vestry (to 7.30pm)
		7.30pm	Crossway meets in the Hall - see Pg 6
Sun	18 Feb	10.30am	<b>NO Junior Church/Pathfinders (school holiday)</b>
Mon	19 Feb	7.30pm	Lent in Minster: Travelling to God (1/5) - see Pg6
Tues	20 Feb	10.00am	Building Development Group meets in the Upper Room
Wed	21 Feb	7.30pm	HOPE Group meets in the Vestry - see Pg 6
Thur	22 Feb	7.00pm	Bible Study in the Vestry (to 8.30pm)
		7.30pm	Preston Deanery Synod meets at Archbishop Temple School
Fri	23 Feb	10.00am	Cake and Company in Hall to 12 noon - all welcome
Sun	25 Feb	10.30am	<b>Young people in Church before JunChurch/Pathfinders</b>
Mon	26 Feb	7.30pm	Lent in Minster: Travelling to God, with a suitcase (2/5)

### Forward Notice for March

Fri	2 March	??	Women's Day of Prayer: Our Lady & St Edwards - see Pg3
Mon	5 March	7.30pm	Lent (Central Methodist): Travelling to God, uncluttered (3/5)
Mon	30 March	7.30pm	Annual Parochial Church Meetings (please book the date)

### Late News: 30th Anniversary of Churches Together in Fulwood and Broughton

**Sunday 28th January 6.30pm**, at Christ Church, will now be a "Prayer and Praise Service" to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of CTFB. Guest preacher will be Rev Anton Muller (*County Ecumenical Officer for Churches Together in Lancashire.*) All are welcome to join the service and show support and recognition for the work over the last 30 years, which will be followed by refreshments for all.

## Lent - something for you?

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It doesn't seem that long ago that we were celebrating the birth of Jesus in the middle of a very cold spell of weather, but now at last the days are starting to get a little bit longer as we turn our thoughts to Lent and Easter, which start with our special communion and ashes service on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm.



Ash Wednesday is of course the beginning of Lent. We will celebrate in a traditional way as has been done over many years, by receiving ash on our foreheads as a sign of repentance. The ashes remind us of our short time on earth and that we should count our blessings and live as God intends before it is too late. With it falling on St Valentine's Day, it is easier to remember how much God truly loves us too and to share that with others.

Lenten traditions continue today. In churches we worship more simply, with no Gloria, no Alleluias, sometimes no flowers and no church bells. Some churches still don't hold weddings during Lent. The liturgical colour of Lent is purple, the colour of Christ's pain and our repentance. There is an emphasis on prayer, self-examination, self-denial and almsgiving.

Even some of those who never go to church find something to give up for Lent. Many people abstain from alcohol, sweets or chocolate during Lent; others choose a bad habit to try and break. Really it's the mental attitude that counts: the determination to change what we don't like about ourselves, and the self-discipline to implement this change.

Maybe this year, instead of giving something up, we could try and do something more; we can surprise ourselves about how we can change, and help to change the world around us for the better by sharing the love and grace of Christ with those we meet; maybe even more than we already do. As a church I encourage us to try 40 acts - this is something we can all do as a group where we continue to show the love of Jesus through our daily actions - all those interested in trying this should look for a sign-up sheet and more details in church. This will be accompanied through Lent with reflections and other ideas - look out for details in pew news and notices.

I pray that in everything we do, we find time to share the love of Jesus: for we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. (Ephesians 2:10)

Blessings

Phil

**Late News: appointment of our next Vicar - see Page 7 !!**

# Sunday Worship in February

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## 4<sup>th</sup> February 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
10.30am	Holy Communion	
	Welcome:	John Marler & Marie Wylie
	Prayers:	Phil / Julia
	Bread & Wine:	Mike & Pam Young
	Communion Assistants:	Elizabeth Bailey & George Appasamy
Readings:	Colossians 1: 15-20	Elizabeth Bailey
	John 1: 1-14	John Bailey
6.30pm	Holy Communion (BCP)	[note: this is a Communion Service]
	Welcome:	Graham
Readings:	Genesis 2: 4b-end	Graham Hickey
	Luke 8: 22-35	Ruth Shrubshan
Psalm:	65	



## 11<sup>th</sup> February Sunday before Lent

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
10.30am	Family Service	
	Welcome:	David Rhodes & Phyl Rhodes
	Prayers:	Ann
Readings:	to come	(Linda Koziarska & Frank McCandlish)
6.30pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)	Welcome: Margaret
Readings:	1 Kings 19: 1-16	Margaret Ghorri
	2 Peter 1: 16-end	Julia Laing
Psalm:	2	



## Flowers in February

Thur 1 Feb	Hilary Catchpole & Barbara Barber
Thur 8 Feb	Barbara Barber
Thur 20 Feb	Lent - no flowers
Thur 27 Feb	Lent - no flowers

**Our next Cake & Company** coffee morning drop in for adults will be on Friday 16th February 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.



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## Vacancy update - Great News!

You will be aware that we interviewed our three candidates on Tuesday 16th January. We are delighted to tell you that we have been able, with the support of our Patron and the Bishop, to appoint our next Vicar.



Subject to the usual clearances, Reverend Chris Boland, currently Priest-in-Charge of Harrowby with Londonthorpe, will be joining us in the spring. Chris, his wife Liz and children Daniel (14) and Alex (12) will be moving into the Vicarage during the May half-term holiday.

We will of course be extending a very warm welcome to Chris and his family as they start to settle into our Parish. A date for Chris's institution and induction will be announced soon.

Thank you for your prayers and support over the period of searching and we ask that we continue to pray for our future together with Chris and his family.

[Chris Hedley and Julia Laing - Parish Representatives]

**The Crafters** wish to thank everyone who contributed so generously with their time and talents, money and donations for the Crafters' Fair held in November. All of you made our Craft Fair a great success, raising **£1455.70**. The money raised will go to our Church Building Account. Well done everyone!! [Linda, Adrienne & Elsie]



**Our next Churchwarden** At the end of April, Julia Laing as Churchwarden and Margaret Ghorri as Assistant Churchwarden will have completed their four year term of office. Nearer the time, there will be an opportunity to thank them for the work they have done over that time which has seen significant change in our Parish.

Now we need to find two people to replace them and the PCC is asking for any suggestion you may have. It is important that you ask the person/s you may be thinking of before putting their name forward. Or maybe it's a role you would like to consider yourself, in which case feel free to talk to myself or any other member of the PCC to find out more.

If you have suggestions please contact Margaret Brown, PCC Secretary and give her the details. Thank you, Christine Hedley



## Crossway

In December we had our Christmas Get-together at Barton Grange which was very well attended and enjoyed by all. Our meeting on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm in The Church Hall will be a presentation by Carl Farber who will be telling us about the work of the 'Blood Bikers'. These are a group of bikers who do a wonderful, vital job so please come along and find out all about them.

**A forward notice** - our annual trip this year is on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April when we will be visiting the new Guide Dogs for the Blind Training Centre, at Atherton. We will be leaving Fulwood at 9.45am by coach and after the visit we will go to Ena Mill for lunch. The cost is £12 per person. Please sign up in Church as numbers are limited on this trip to 35 people.



## HOPE Group - Proverbs

**Wed 7th February** - Prophets: was Nostradamus a true prophet? How can you tell a true prophet from a false prophet? What does God have to say about true and false prophets? Come along to HOPE Group and join in the discussion!

HOPE

**Wed 21st February** - Sin, or How We Make Ourselves Miserable - "Sin" has become a forgotten word in our society. But it wields enormous impact over us today, even if we choose to ignore it. Of course, there is a proverb for that and we will look at it together in our HOPE meeting.

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)

## Lent in the Minster - the Churches of Preston

**"Travelling to God . . . with a suitcase."** You are invited to explore your faith, as we travel through Lent, by coming along to one or more of the Lenten Monday evenings at the Minster. These ecumenical evenings each start at 7.30pm and finish by 8.50pm with refreshments. Further details of who is speaking each evening, etc. are on the notice boards at the back of church. ALL WELCOME. If you'd like to share lifts please speak to Ken.



## 18<sup>th</sup> February 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

8.00am

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

Holy Communion

Welcome:

Bill Seddon & Sue Walsh

Prayers:

Chris & Steve

Bread & Wine:

David & Debbie Riggall

Communion Assistants:

Graham Hickey & Shirley Duggan

Readings:

1 Peter 3: 18-end

Graham Rawson

Mark 1: 9-15

Judith Rawson

6.30pm

Evening Prayer (BCP)

Welcome: Julia

Readings:

Genesis 2: 15-17; 3: 1-7

Karen Sutton

Luke 13: 31-end

Brent Sutton

Psalm:

119: 17-32



## 25<sup>th</sup> February 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

8.00am

Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am

Holy Communion

Welcome:

Alan Powell & Jean Preston

Prayers:

Elizabeth & John

Bread & Wine:

Keith & Sue Cameron

Communion Assistants:

Chris Hedley & Julia Laing

Readings:

Romans 4: 13-end

Brenda Woolley

Mark 8: 31-end

Marie Wylie

6.30pm

Holy Communion (BCP)

Welcome: Margaret

Readings:

1 Thessalonians 4:1-8

Michael Higgins

Matthew 15: 21-28

Phil McClenaghan



## Refreshment Rota

Sun 4 Feb	Marie Wylie, Sue & Bex Walsh
Sun 11 Feb	Adrienne Clarkson, Carol Knight & Dorothy Bradley
Sun 18 Feb	Elsie Lenton, Steve & Chris
Sun 25 Feb	Sue Dewhurst, Sue Wright & Pam Young

## Women's Day of Prayer

The annual service will be held this year at Our Lady & St Edward's Church on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. Please look out for a poster in Church to give you more details including the time of the Service. If you would like to take part in this years' Service please let Joan Curphey know by Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February.



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

15<sup>th</sup> Dec **Nancy McTaggart** Fairways (until Autumn '17) died 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec.

Nancy was born in Preston, and worked as a nurse and midwife in Manchester and Liverpool during the Blitz. She had long term connections with Christ Church being married here to Stuart in 1950, and having all three of her children, Bill, Jeannie and Lizzie, baptised here too. Many memories were shared by her children and grandchildren, especially of her generosity, love and support for them all through the years. She loved the countryside, especially the Lake District and Scotland, and later the fjords of Norway. In later years she enjoyed the regular visits we made with home communion, and she will be greatly missed by many.


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**The East Window** The work to the great East Window is the final part of our programme to repair and protect our fine stained glass windows. The north and south elevations of the church were successfully completed in 2016, and the West Window last autumn.

However, when work began on the East Window it was immediately apparent that its restoration and protection are more problematic. There are large gaps between the window panels and the stonework - possibly partly due to the original installation of the windows and partly due to movement in the stonework. On the advice of our architect and the window contractor, it was decided to stop the work on the East Window, re-seal the secondary glazing and re-consider what can be done. Our architect recommends that we establish what is needed for the stabilisation of the stonework, and that we draw up proposals for the careful removal of the stained glass panels and their enlargement in the workshop before re-fitting. This is a much greater amount of work than previously envisaged.



The East Window is, of course, a major feature of the church and its restoration and safeguarding are of obvious importance. When we have more information, including a costing, it will be reported to the PCC together with ideas on how we might raise the money for the necessary restoration and protection. We will keep you informed of progress. [Steve Hedley]

**Christmas Donations** Our donations to the Salvation Army Foodbank, in lieu of Christmas Cards, raised **£291.10** [WONDERFUL !!]  Thanks all who contributed (see Maggie's note below).

"The total from Christ Church was £291.10. Thanks once again for all you are doing to support the Foodbank and may God continue to bless you through 2018." [Capt. Maggie Cadogan]



Preston Salvation Army Foodbank,  
Church and Community Centre  
December 2017

Dear Friends,

We would like to say an extremely big 'Thank You' for your help and support this year with our Annual Christmas Appeal.

This year we helped **352 families with food hampers**, families ranging from 1 to 9 members. 1,052 bags of food were given out in total.

We provided **toys for 353** 0-10 year olds, and **gifts for 147** 10-16 year olds. A total of 497 children were given toys/gifts. On average each child was given about 6 items making the total around 2982 toys/gifts that were given out.

We got quite worried at one point of our appeal as our tables were bare! But the donations then flooded in and we were able to provide all families referred to us with food or gifts, and we have had a wonderful start to January's Foodbank (another very busy month for us!)

Without all the wonderful donations we received we would have been unable to help as many families as we did.

Thank you all once again, and may we wish you all a very Happy New Year!

Kind Regards,

*Claire Bowerman*

Community Centre Co-Ordinator

**Our next Messy Church** will be on Sunday 4th March when we will be exploring some of the mother figures in the Bible and preparing gifts for Mothering Sunday the following week. As usual, we will share our tea together. Starting in the Church Hall, 2.30 - 4.30pm. Names to Chris Hedley the\_hedleys@btinternet.com, 01772 652475 or sign up at the back of Church.

