

Connected

Two Churches, one Lord

Christ Church and Emmanuel
Weston-super-Mare



This Week...

- Clocks go back this weekend
- Morning Services details
- Emmanuel Midweek Services
- LightFest! information

Verse For The Week

Therefore, prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed.

(1 Peter 1: 13)

Watch today's service

at www.ccwsm.org.uk

Go to the 'We are still here!' menu and click on the 'Sunday Services' page.

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British Summer Time Ends

Just a reminder to you all that the clocks go back one hour to Greenwich Mean Time at 2am on Sunday 25th October.

For some interesting facts and a link to more information, please see the article on page 4.



Sermon Snippets

1 Peter 5: 5-11

How do you finish off a letter? I often write "all the best" or something like that at the end of an email or letter. Peter, in his closing remarks, has something far bigger to tell us. It's about the fact that the Christian life is a battle between good and evil. It explains why living out the Christian life is never a very easy thing to do . . . there's temptation . . . and evil . . . and behind all this, the Devil. So, we need to be properly armed if we're to do battle with the forces against us. These forces are likened to a lion, and the word "devour" really means to eat up with one gulp!

So – how do we resist him? Well, not by ourselves as would be fairly obvious! Rather, it's by standing firm in what has been given to us by God – as Peter puts it here: "standing firm in the faith". The words "the faith" remind us of all that we have been learning in 1 Peter. It's knowing that we are completely forgiven: "Set your hope fully on the grace to be revealed" (1v13), and it's having a "living hope" (1v3) that because Jesus has risen again, he is able to give us now, and promise for the future, a new life in God.

And standing firm in these things will protect us – even from the spiritual equivalent of a lion!

Prayer Pointers

Monday

Lord, we pray for all those drawn into the fellowship of Christ Church and Emmanuel through our online services and church services. We pray that spiritual seeds sown may in due time bear perfect fruit in all their lives.

Tuesday

We ask Lord that all ongoing political and social decisions made to protect against the coronavirus may be wise and balanced. We pray that all businesses may receive necessary financial support for their survival.

Wednesday

We pray for all those suffering emotional and mental damage through the effects of lockdown, causing family and social deprivation particularly. We pray that we as Christians may not fail our neighbours around us.

Thursday

As hopefully Brexit negotiations draw to a satisfactory conclusion we pray that the result may mean business freedom and fairness for both sides and a real appreciation of our historical links. Help us, Lord, to be great neighbours in the future.

Friday

We pray for all in schools, colleges, universities and apprenticeships, that wisdom be given to executives, teachers and employers to deal with this very difficult time. Lord, keep our young people from worldly temptations as they seek comfort in socialising.

Saturday

God of Light, we ask through the ministry of Nicky and her team, plus our supportive prayers, that the darkness of Halloween may be totally overwhelmed by the imaginative presentation of Lightfest and its message.

For further prayer topics, do have a look at the newsletters on the [Christ Church website](#), under the 'We Are Still Here' menu and clicking on 'Keeping In Touch'.

The latest Prayer Sheet from the Morrisseys is now available from the Church Office if you'd like a copy.

Notices

Tom and Chris On Leave

Tom and Chris will be on leave Monday to Wednesday, 26th to 28th October inclusive.

Emmanuel Church Midweek Service Changes

Following the introduction of the 9.45 Sunday Prayers service, it was decided not to continue with the Thursday morning opening for private prayer. However we are now also holding Parish Prayers on Tuesdays from 9.30am to 10am in church. We will be using the Oxford street entrance.

In addition, from the 11th November we will be restarting the Wednesday morning services. On the second Wednesday of each month, that's the 11th November and 9th December, Keith will lead a Service Of The Word. On the fourth Wednesday of each month, so that's the 25th November and 23rd December, Ian will lead Holy Communion.

All are warmly welcome to these services.

Remembrance Day Service 08 November

Don't forget that the 8th November is when the start time of services at both churches changes from 09.45 back to the usual start time of 10.30.

If you are thinking of going to the Christ Church service, please remember to book your seats in advance with Phil in the Church Office. This service will also be available to watch live online if you are not able to be there in person.

Connecting with the Church Family

Now that we have started to meet together in church again, some people are able to catch up with others (in a socially-distanced way, of course!). However, there are a number of folk who are unable to get to church, and won't have the same opportunity. This is the whole idea of *Connected*.

Do contact Phil in the Office if you have something you'd like to share with others. Remember that those without computers receive a printed copy of *Connected*, and would love to hear more of what's going on.

Coffee time after the Service...

Morning Services

Here is a grid showing the Sunday Morning services in November and December, each of which start at 10.30. Please note that there will not be any evening services for the time being.

Sunday	Christ Church	Emmanuel
08-Nov-20	Remembrance Service	Sunday Prayers
15-Nov-20	Morning Service	Sunday Prayers
22-Nov-20	Morning Service	Holy Communion
29-Nov-20	Holy Communion	Sunday Prayers
06-Dec-20	All Together Service	Holy Communion
13-Dec-20	Morning Service	Sunday Prayers
20-Dec-20	ONLINE SERVICE	Holy Communion
27-Dec-20	ONLINE SERVICE	Sunday Prayers

Don't forget that if you are not able to make it to church, you will be able to watch the Christ Church service live on your computer, tablet, smartphone or 'smart' TV. Details of how to do this will appear in *Connected* soon.

The dates for the Communion services in November have changed from the pattern of services we had before lockdown. Also, the Communion service at Christ Church in December will be on Christmas Morning.

The two Online Services shown in the grid are because of Christmas services being held at Christ Church. More information on Christmas services will be published soon.

In the New Year we will be reverting to the normal pattern of morning services we had before lockdown. For information, these are shown in this grid:

Sunday in Month	Christ Church	Emmanuel
1 st	All-Together service	Holy Communion
2 nd	Morning Service	Morning Service
3 rd	Morning Service	Holy Communion
4 th	Holy Communion	Morning Service
5 th	Morning Service	Morning Service

"The will of God will not take us where the grace of God cannot sustain us." - Billy Graham

Annual Church Meetings

The Emmanuel Annual Church Meeting took place on Monday 19th October.

Meg Hill has agreed to serve as Church Warden until April. This is to cover for Donna, who is standing down because of her training as a Lay Reader. Tony Cornford is the new Deanery Synod Rep, and Mavis Palmer was appointed to the PCC.

We thank them for standing and ask God's blessing on their time in office.



This year is our 10th Lightfest! We can't hold this fun filled event in church this year so we are taking it online and bringing it to you!

To receive a pack containing everything your children need to join in (plus some goodies!) you will need to register them on our website here - <https://ccwsm.org.uk/lightfest/>

There will be crafts, games and activities, songs, an interactive story (you'll need your torches!) and even a fancy dress competition! Join us to share in the LIGHT OF THE WORLD!!

Nicky

A Brief History of British Summer Time

1784 - Benjamin Franklin first suggested the idea of daylight saving time in a whimsical article.

1907 - An Englishman and keen horse rider, William Willett, campaigned to advance clocks in spring and summer and return them in the autumn. His rather complicated plan was to advance clocks by 80 minutes, in four separate moves of 20 minutes each.

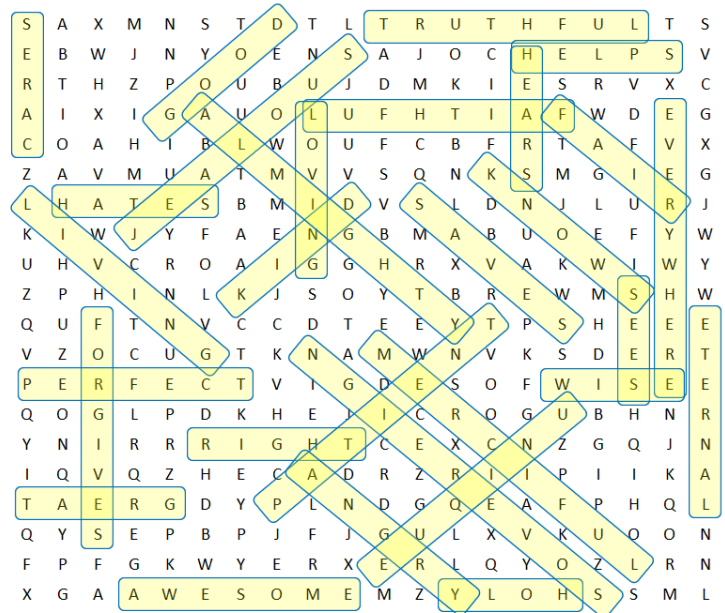
1908 - The House of Commons rejected a Bill to advance the clocks by one hour during the spring and summer months.

1916 - The Summer Time Act was passed, ordaining that for a certain period during the year legal time should be one hour in advance of GMT. Double summer time (GMT + 2 hours) was used during the Second World War.

For more information, click on this link to the [Royal Museums Greenwich website](#)

Word Search solution

Here's the solution to last week's puzzle, just in case you were stuck at any point



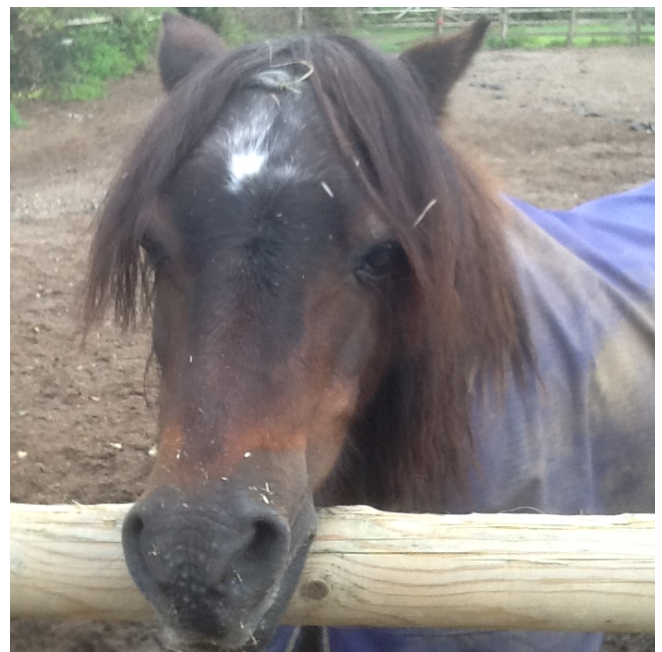
I'd like to say a big Thank You to Sandra for providing the puzzle, and to Rosemary for typing it out. (Rosemary found out that the only way to spell-check a puzzle is to do it!)

Signs of the Times

(For those who like a certain kind of music!)



Looking After Charlie



Carl sent in this picture of Charlie, a Welsh Mountain Pony that she helps to look after along with other horses.