

# Connected

Sunday 2nd October 2022  
16th Sunday After Trinity

## Sermon Snippets

Mark 12: 41-44

### True Giving

Earlier in Mark's Gospel, Jesus tells us that the most important commandment is this: Love the Lord your God with *all* your heart, *all* your soul, and *all* your mind. Keep that in mind as we think about today's Bible reading.

Jesus calls his followers to him and highlights the widow's giving of two small coins as being *more* than the large amounts of money given by other rich donors. She gave *all* she had. Jesus was not praising the amount of money she gave but the spirit in which she gave. She gave her *all*. In difficult circumstances she was giving everything to the God who loved her more than she could imagine.

Whether it's money, time, skills, or gifts for harvest - what fuels our giving? Are we giving to be seen to be doing the right thing? Are we giving from what we have left over, but it's not really anything we have to think about much? Or are we giving back to a God whose love for us is bigger than we can imagine? Does our giving reflect that most important commandment? Are we giving him our *all*?



## Harvest Service

Our Harvest Service will be taking place this Sunday, 2nd October.

We are going to be collecting for Foodbank - below are the items they are specifically in need of:

Tinned Veg (not chickpeas)  
Tinned Fish  
Cordial  
Juice  
Instant Coffee  
Hot Chocolate  
Instant Noodles  
Microwave Rice  
Custard  
Rice Pudding  
Biscuits  
Toiletries  
Cleaning Products



## Verse For The Week

" Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything - all she had to live on.' "

Mark 12: 43-44

# Prayer Pointers

**MONDAY** - we congratulate and pray for Donna Pilgrim, our much-loved new Reader. Lord, we ask that she may continually know Your wisdom, love and power, enabling her to fulfil Your perfect purposes for her ministry.

**TUESDAY** - we continue to hold our late Queen Elizabeth in our hearts and minds. We pray that all the bounteous seeds sown in countless lives may be watered by Your Holy Spirit unto a perfect harvest.

**WEDNESDAY** - Lord, inspire our new monarch, King Charles, to seek Your Spirit to carry on the torch of Godly monarchy and also to lead the royal family along the path of forgiveness, acceptance, and duty towards each other and our wonderful country.

**THURSDAY** - we earnestly pray that our Prime Minister, Liz Truss, and her ministers may grow in Godly desire, wisdom, and especially Christian compassion. Lord, cleanse them of all political and social self interest. Lord, may our spiritual leaders be in the very forefront of our country's conscience in all matters.

**FRIDAY** - we continue to pray for the Ukraine and all countries affected by the war. Lord, bring President Putin to sanity and make his followers powerless before Jesus the Prince of Peace. Lord, reign in the hearts and minds of all involved in this godless conflict.

**SATURDAY** - we pray for the elderly, the sick, and all in real need in our parishes. Also for all others known to us, especially all who have sat in our pews or fellowshiped with us over many years but can no longer do so. Lord, inspire us always to show tangible expressions of our continuing love for them to showing them they are never forgotten.

# What's On This Week

## Saturday 1st October

Donna's Licensing at 2pm at Wells Cathedral

## Sunday 2nd October

Harvest Service at 10:30am at Christ Church  
'Thinking Christianly About Human Sexuality' Part 1 at 6pm at Christ Church

## Monday 3rd October

Ladies Together at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre

## Tuesday 4th October

Parish Prayers at 9:30am at Emmanuel  
The Beacon at 12noon at Emmanuel

## Wednesday 5th October

Seedlings Toddler Group at 10:15am at Christ Church  
*(please note that this event is currently full)*

## Thursday 6th October

Craft & Chat at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre  
Welcome Group at 2:30pm at Emmanuel

## Saturday 8th October

Repair Café from 10am-12:30pm at Christ Church  
Coffee Morning at 10:30am at Emmanuel

## Sunday 9th October

175 Year Celebration Service at 10:30am at Emmanuel  
Pastoral Principles at 12:30pm at Emmanuel  
Deaf Church at 3pm at Emmanuel  
Families Together at 3pm at Christ Church  
*(it would be helpful if you could let Nicky know if you are planning to attend the above event)*  
'Thinking Christianly About Human Sexuality' Part 2 at 6pm at Christ Church

## Notices

### *Larissa Unavailable*

Please note that Larissa will be unavailable on 11th/12th/14th/15th October.

### *Church Weekend*

Please note that the deadline for booking for the Church Weekend at Home will be Sunday 9th October. See notice below or the website for further details and instructions on how to book.

### *South West Men's Convention 2022*

Please see flyers available at both Churches for further information regarding this event taking place on Saturday 15th October.

# Coffee after the Service...

## THINKING CHRISTIANLY ABOUT HUMAN SEXUALITY

On Sundays October 2nd and 9th we are holding two 6pm evening sessions  
"Thinking Christianly About Human Sexuality".

This is an area where sincere Christians hold a range of views.  
We will be looking at the factors and issues which guide Christians to form a view.

The first evening will be a presentation by Tom & Larissa and the  
second evening will comprise an "Any Questions" panel.



Coffee Morning and Sale  
at Emmanuel  
Saturday 8th October  
10:30-12noon

Cakes, cards, books and  
bric-a-brac  
Come and enjoy a chat  
over coffee and cake

### DONNA'S LICENSING Saturday 1st October

Please see previous  
editions of Connected  
for information  
regarding the coach  
pick-up times & cost.

If you would like to  
pay online visit:  
[https://ccwsm.org.uk/  
product-  
category/events/](https://ccwsm.org.uk/product-category/events/)

The next two sessions of  
Families Together are:  
Sunday 9th October  
Sunday 13th November  
3pm - 4:30pm  
(no session in Dec)  
in the Spire Centre



If you would like to come, please let me know - speak to me or email on:  
[family.ministry@ccwsm.org.uk](mailto:family.ministry@ccwsm.org.uk).

We've been looking at elements of our Sunday Services and we'll be looking at  
the Communion service over the next two sessions.

Activities, crafts, play, chat, tea, and cake!

*Nicky*

### Contact Details

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The Repair Café will be re-launching on  
Saturday 8th October 2022 from  
10am-12:30pm.

For further details please see our  
website (under the 'Community'  
heading + 'Repair Café') or click on the  
link below:

<https://ccwsm.org.uk/repair-cafe/>

# More coffee anyone?

## Church weekend at home

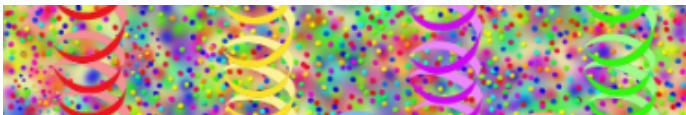
Our Church  
Weekend at  
Home : from  
Friday 21st-  
Sunday 23rd  
October

See the website for further  
information at:  
<https://ccwsm.org.uk/church-weekend-at-home-2022/>

Bookings/payment can either be made  
online or by completing the section at  
the bottom of the form (available from  
Church) and returning it with payment  
to Emma at the Church Office.

The deadline for bookings will be  
Sunday 9th October.

## Celebrating 175 Years at Emmanuel



Emmanuel will be celebrating 175 years of  
worship next Sunday 9th October where  
Bishop Ruth will be leading a  
Service of Thanksgiving.

There is currently an historical display  
in the Church telling the story of the  
last 175 years (including pictures,  
photographs, and historic documents)  
which will be on display until  
9th October.

Next week's Connected will be a  
'Special Edition' to mark this event so  
there will be plenty more information  
to come...!!



## Winter Warmth



Emmanuel are again going to run  
**Winter Warmth on a Sunday  
evening starting on 30th  
October (when the clocks go  
back) until the end of March  
(when the clocks go forward).**

We usually have five teams so it  
is a once a month commitment.  
We ask people to be at  
Emmanuel for 6pm for opening  
at 6:30pm. It finishes at 8pm. It  
offers a warm, friendly place for  
the homeless and vulnerable to  
come and have soup and  
sandwiches through the cold  
winter months.

If you are  
interested,  
please contact  
Daphne Hill.  
Or, if you want  
to find out  
more, talk to  
Sue Cannock,  
Jeff or Carole  
Morgan, Meg  
Hill, or Daphne.



## Watch the Morning Service

at [www.ccwsm.org.uk](http://www.ccwsm.org.uk)

Go to the 'Church Life' menu and click  
on the 'Sunday Services' page.