

Connected

Sunday 23rd October 2022
Last Sunday After Trinity

'Church Weekend' Snippets!

Archdeacon Adrian will be speaking to us over the weekend about 'Everyday Faith'.

Session 1 (Saturday AM) :
The Prodigal Son
(Luke 15: 11-32)

- Knowing God's love for us.

Session 2 (Saturday AM) :
(1 Peter 2)

- Being a chosen people;
- Declaring God's praises;
- Living out God's love in our lives.

Session 3 (Sunday AM) :
(Matthew 5:13-16)

- Being salt and light;
- Our Christian lives having an effect on those around us.



Verse For The Week

" But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light. "

1 Peter 2: 9



See poster for further details regarding this event!
Or speak to Nicky.

We need a team to help with:

'packed tea' bag packing
goody bag packing
crafts and activities on the night
welcoming and chat
clearing tables to assist the kitchen team
help with chair moving/tables beforehand
hoovering and putting the church back to
'normal' afterwards

Volunteers need to be DBS checked.
Please let Nicky know preferably by email
(family.ministry@ccwsm.org.uk) or on
Sunday after church.

We also need donations of sweets:
small packets of sweets (such as Haribo)
individually wrapped sweets
lollies

Also, financial donations welcome - to
pay for craft supplies and Scripture
Union books to be given to each child.

Sweets need to be in Church by
Wednesday 26th October.

What's On This Week

Friday 21st - Sunday 23rd October

Church Weekend At Home - for those who have signed-up, please see timetable for further details

Monday 24th October

Ladies Together at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre

Tuesday 25th October

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

Wednesday 26th October

No Seedlings Toddler Group this week
Holy Communion at 10:30am at Emmanuel

Thursday 27th October

No Craft & Chat this week
Welcome Group at 2:30pm at Emmanuel

Sunday 30th October

Pastoral Principles at 12:30pm at Emmanuel

Notices

Church Office Closed

Please note that the Church Office will be closed on Monday 24th October.

Tom Unavailable

Please note that Tom & Chris will be unavailable from 24th til 26th October inclusive.

Larissa Unavailable

Please note that Larissa will be unavailable from 24th til 26th October inclusive

Nicky Unavailable

Please note that Nicky will be unavailable from 27th til 29th October inclusive.

Annual Memorial Service

Our Annual Memorial Service will be taking place on Sunday 6th November at 4pm (more details to follow next week)

Watch the Morning Service

at www.ccwsm.org.uk

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

Prayer Pointers

Monday - Give thanks for Daily Prayers online and for all who attend Ladies Together. Pray for the mental wellbeing of all, especially those troubled by loneliness and isolation.

Tuesday - Pray for the work of The Beacon as a hot meal and God's message of love is shared weekly. Pray for all who are homeless or living in temporary accommodation and those offering them support.

Wednesday - Pray for BCP Holy Communion and Seedlings. Pray for leaders throughout the world that they may be guided towards peace through co-operation and God's compassion.

Thursday - Pray for the Welcome Group and Craft & Chat. Give thanks for the contribution of older generations to our church family/community. Pray for all whose health is causing concern and for those who care for them.

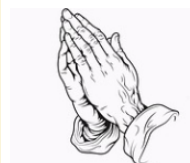
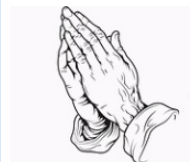
Friday - Pray for the young people of our town/church family and give thanks for the work of JaM Club, the Pre-School, and the Primary School. Pray also for all who teach, tutor, and care for them and for the families who nurture them.

Saturday - As 'All Souls/All Saints' approaches pray for all who have lost loved ones recently - may they be comforted by God's peace and hope for the future.

Sunday - As the clocks go back, pray for the start of Winter Warmth on Sunday evenings at Emmanuel.



The poster features a blue top section with a white outline of a person in prayer. Below this, the text 'PRAYERS FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE' is written in large, bold, yellow capital letters. The bottom section is yellow with a white outline of a person in prayer. Text in this section includes: 'UNITED GATHERING SUNDAY 23rd OCTOBER 6PM' and 'MILTON METHODIST CHURCH, MILTON HILL, WSM, BS22 9RA'.



Coffee after the Service...

Church weekend at home

For those who cannot make the Church Weekend At Home but would like to hear the teaching from Adrian, the sessions are being streamed online in the same way that Sunday services are streamed - located in the usual place on the website.



If you would like to contribute you can find details on the Church website (ccwsm.org.uk/shoebox-appeal-2022/) or on posters in our Churches. Alternatively please talk to Chris Webber, Liz Butt, or Emma in the Church Office.

All donations need to be in Church by 30th October or, for complete boxes, Sunday 6th November. Thank you!

Operation Christmas Child

Here at Christ Church and Emmanuel we are again hoping to take part in this appeal by sending boxes.

John & Kathy's Adventures Part 2...

Darwin (the top end) is tropical and very, very hot. John loved the heat, I hated it!

The city was completely devastated by Cyclone Tracy on Christmas Day 1974 and has been rebuilt with very little high-rise. We visited the botanical gardens and then John went on to the WWII military museum (detailing the severe bombing of Darwin by the Japanese) while I cooled off with a swim.

The following day we toured Litchfield National Park, enjoyed swimming in the natural Wangi Falls, and saw the huge termite mounds - a feature of the area.



After an early run (90°F) John caught up with various other WWII sites while I enjoyed the wave lagoon right outside our hotel. A huge treat for me on the last evening was the showing of Grease - my all time favourite film - at the outdoor deckchair cinema.



And then to Adelaide (Glenelg) looking out to the beach and sea - lovely. Took the tram into the city and came across the State Library of South Australia, a fascinating old building with many very

interesting displays such as Don Bradman's cricket bat, many exceptional war memorials to interest John, and, once again, botanical gardens.

We also went to Kangaroo Island. I cuddled a koala and got up close to the Australian sea-lion. We have also seen kangaroos. A very long day by coach and ferry. Adelaide Zoo will be next but more of that in the next edition...



Financial Update for Christ Church



This year the PCC agreed a budget with a deficit of over £8,000.

Costs have risen but our giving hasn't caught up and, post-pandemic, it didn't seem wise to push this too much.

The good news is that giving income has increased a little - such that, up to the end of August, our year's deficit (so far) was only just under £2,000. Praise God! THANK YOU to each and every one of you for your generosity.

Also, several one-off gifts have come in towards the cost of paying our Family Ministry Worker, Nicky Boardman. With these in the bank, providing the regular income to this fund remains unchanged, this fund is now in a healthy position.

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