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Sunday 22nd January 2023

3rd Sunday Of Epiphany

Sermon Snippets

Christ Church Matthew 5: 13-16

John's Gospel (last year's focus) said Jesus is the "Light of the World." But when Matthew talks about the "Light of the World" he means Jesus' disciples – and today that's us!

Christians will bring light to the world by who we are, what we say, and what we do! Jesus promises that those who hear his message, through our words, will be drawn to it and they, in turn, will give glory to God! No pressure there!

Can we truly conceal the light or the Christian goodness in who we are and what we do? Do we try to suppress God working through us? Larissa will encourage us in prayer and encourage us to dwell with those experiencing the darkness of the cross – pointing beyond, to the brightness of the Kingdom!



Emmanuel Matthew 5: 1-13

"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness...". Jesus says we are the people who should have a great positive influence on those we meet during any week – just like salt which flavours and preserves it's surroundings.

It sounds a bit of a contradiction to say "if the salt loses its saltiness..." because there would be nothing left! But the image is one of sea foam where the salt has been leached out and we're just left with 'mush'!!

Today we think of how we can be effective – like salt – for God.



Verse For The Week

"...let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

Matthew 5: 16

Watch the Morning Service

at www.ccwsm.org.uk

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

What's On This Week

Monday 23rd January

Ladies Together at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre

Tuesday 24th January

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

Wednesday 25th January

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

Thursday 26th January

Craft & Chat at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre
Welcome Group at 2:30pm at Emmanuel
JaM Club at 3:30pm at Christ Church
(pre-registration is required for the above event)

Notices

Church Office Closed

Please note that the Church Office will be closed on
Friday 27th January & Monday 30th January.

Verse For The Year Bookmarks

There will be some more 'Verse For The Year'
bookmarks available at the back of both churches
this coming Sunday for anyone who would like one.

In order to not be wasteful, we do not want to
overprint these so, if these all go but you would like
one, please let Emma in the Church Office know as
more can be produced.



*Celebrating all
that Jesus is
doing with us.*

Sunday 5th February at 4pm
All Saint's Church, Weston-super-Mare
BS23 2NL

Deanery Service of Light 2023

Prayer Pointers

This week, we remember the
missionaries who are supported by
Christ Church and Emmanuel:

Monday

Andy Page serving alongside many
missions and prayer organisations - UK
and abroad.

(<https://www.110cities.com/>)

(<https://www.crosswinds.org.uk/>)

Tuesday

Helen Morrissey working with Friends
International in Exeter.

(<https://www.friendsinternational.uk/>)

Wednesday

The Potter family working with Project
Pag-asa in the Philippines.

(<https://www.project-pagasa.ph/>)

Thursday

CITA (Christ Is The Answer) Secretarial
& Computer Training Institute overseen
by Paul Sodzi's mother in Ghana.

(<https://www.cita-secretarial-computer-training.org/>)

Friday

Lucy working alongside Interserve in
Asia.

(<https://www.interserve.org/>)

Saturday

Christians Against Poverty overseen in
Weston by Paul Larcombe.

(<https://capuk.org/>)

Sunday

The Children's Society - fighting for the
hope and happiness of young people.

(<https://www.childrensociety.org.uk/>)

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Coffee after the Service...

Give As You Live

If you shop online for your groceries, did you know you could be earning a free donation for Christ Church with every order? It's a great way to support us for free and the donations really add up over the year!

You can raise donations on your online shopping at these supermarkets: Sainsbury's, Tesco, Waitrose, Morrisons, Ocado and Iceland.

There are also 6,000 other retailers who partner with Give As You Live Online. Simply sign up for an account and start raising money when you shop. From your handy dashboard, just click on the retailer you want to buy from and you'll be directed to their website where you can continue to shop as normal. Your purchase will automatically generate a donation for Christ Church!

If you're interested in signing up to support us, you can find out more here:

<https://www.giveasyoulive.com/join/ccwsm?>

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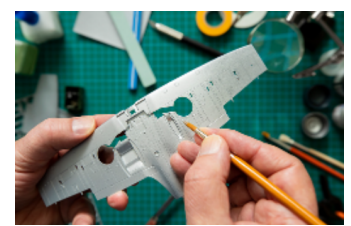
Christ Church Dishwasher

Our long-serving Christ Church dishwasher has finally become more costly to maintain than to buy a replacement. If someone would like to grab their calculator and estimate how many plates/mugs have been washed I'd be interested! It's likely to cost in the region of £2,500-£3,000. If anyone is interested in giving a little support to help out with the cost, please do have a word with David White or myself. *Tom*



MEN'S MODEL MAKING

Would anyone be interested in reviving the Men's Model Making Group, at least for the winter term? Meet once a week for about 1½ hours. Day and time to be agreed. If you are interested, or just want to know a bit more, please speak to Chris Cole.



The funeral for Wyn Brass will be taking place at 2:30pm on Tuesday 7th February at Weston Crematorium for any church family who would like to attend.

The funeral for Bob Rowe will be taking place at 12noon on Thursday 9th February at Wrington Chapel for any church family who would like to attend.