# Connected

Sunday 23rd July 2023

Seventh Sunday After Trinity

#### EVENING PRAYER SERVICE

PRAYING FOR OUR FAMILY MINISTRY OUTREACH AND TEAM

THIS SUNDAY, 23RD JULY 6PM AT CHRIST CHURCH



OUR PRAYER SERVICE THIS WEEK WILL FOCUS ON ALL ASPECTS OF OUR FAMILY MINISTRY.

DO JOIN US FOR THIS HOUR.







## Verse For The Week

"He answered, 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind' and 'Love your neighbour as yourself. 'You have answered correctly,' Jesus replied. 'Do this and you will live'."

Luke 10: 27-28

## **Sermon Snippets**

Christ Church
Luke 10: 25-37

'Oh no! Not the good Samaritan again' - that may well be your understandable reaction having heard many a sermon on the kind-hearted chap. However, as the old hymn puts it:

'Tell me the story often For I forget so soon; The early dew of morning Has passed away at noon'

And that applies to all parts of the gospel story.

Pray that the Holy Spirit

may touch us with something significant for our spiritual journey through song, prayer, Scripture, or message.

Emmanuel Matthew 9: 18-26

The Life- Giving Touch

What does your life depend on?

We are looking at three people:

- 1. A Desperate Man
- 2. A Desperate Woman
- 3. A Dead Girl

Jesus has destroyed death for all those who are trusting in Him.



## **Prayer Pointers**

#### Sunday

Please give thanks for the ministry of retired clergy, readers & intercessors, and our tech team.

#### Monday

May we pray for the outreach work by other churches in Weston, especially our partners in Weston Church Fest.

#### Tuesday

Please pray for peace in Syria, for the thousands in displaced camps, and for those working to provide aid and medical care.

#### Wednesday

May we give thanks for the work of our Church Family worker and her team.

#### Thursday

Many people help to keep Emmanuel and Christ Church grounds tidy and in good order. May we give thanks for all their efforts.

#### Friday

May we give thanks for the work of the Administrator, Church Treasurers, and PCC Secretaries.

#### Saturday

May we pray for our Vicar and Curate and all who will preach tomorrow.

## Watch the Morning Service

at www.ccwsm.org.uk

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

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## What's On This Week

#### Sunday 23rd July

Evening Prayer Service at 6pm at Christ Church (*Theme : Family Ministry*)

#### Monday 24th July

No Ladies Together this week

#### Tuesday 25th July

No Parish Prayers this week The Beacon at 12noon at Emmanuel

#### Wednesday 26th July

No Seedlings Toddler Group this week

#### Thursday 27th July

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

## **Notices**

## Nicky on Sabbatical

A reminder that Nicky will be on sabbatical during August/September/October. If you need to discuss anything 'family ministry' related while she is away, please speak to Tom or Linda. Any emails sent to the family.ministry@ccwsm.org.uk address will not be picked up until Nicky is back.

### Tom On Camp!

Please be aware that Tom will be away - helping at the annual CPAS Camp - from Wednesday 2nd August til Wednesday 9th August inclusive.

## DON NORRIS' FUNERAL

The funeral for Don Norris will
be held on:
Friday 11th August at 11am
at Christ Church
All church family are invited.



# Weston Church Fest 2023!



#### Background...

Each month people from churches all over Weston who work with families, youth, and children gather together for breakfast and prayer. It was during one of these prayer meetings that the idea for Weston Church Fest was born.

We were all tired and struggling to gather team. Struggling to cover all areas of our ministries. As we were praying we felt prompted by God that we should be working together to reach all ages. Intergenerational worship is a passion of several of us in that group!

I explained that we were not doing Holiday Club at Christ Church this year and so we began to work on plans for the event on 15th July...





Three churches offered to host three events and the theme for the day was set - Jesus feeding the 5000.

Christ Church set the scene for the day with an abundant breakfast, an interactive re-telling of the story, songs, memory verse, games, crafts, and a time of just getting to know new friends and enjoying the company of old ones.



We moved on to St Peter's in the afternoon for a BBQ, crafts (which involved clay fish, marbled fish with the memory verse on the back, decorating biscuits, and making origami baskets), a bible story trail and quiz, and some lively fun on

the bouncy castles and rodeo bull! There was a space for blessings tucked into a quiet corner too.

The day was brought to a close with a 'puddings and worship evening' at Locking Castle Church. There were key chains to make there as a reminder of the day too.



# Weston Church Fest 2023 cont...!

#### The Theme...

Throughout each event there was an invitation to add to our travelling artwork and add fish and bread shaped prayers, thanks, and thoughts to a picture of Jesus praying over the baskets of food...







Each event was different but the thing that stood out for me was the sense of joy in meeting together and working together.

God's love was shared in abundance at each event. People from different churches meeting together and working together to show our communities that our God will take whatever you have and magnify it beyond anything you can ever imagine.

You just have to ask him ... Nicky

**'HOW MUCH MORE WILL YOUR** FATHER IN HEAVEN GIFT GOOD **GIFTS TO THOSE WHO ASK?'** MATTHEW 7: 11B