

Connected

Third Sunday Before Advent

Sunday 12th November 2023

Remembrance Sunday

Emmanuel WWII Memorial

This Sunday at Emmanuel, Rev Tom will be dedicating our new World War II memorial plaque as part of our Remembrance Service. It lists the names of seven servicemen from Emmanuel Parish who lost their lives in WWII.

Up until recently we were unaware of any service personnel from our parish who had served and lost their lives in WWII as we could find no record of them in church.

So our deepest thanks go to Rod Crocker, John Hinchliffe, and Sheila Judson for their commitment, hard work, and research in this area.

We have set the new memorial in the Angel Font. This font was previously situated below the WWI memorial in the lobby so has always sat in a place of Remembrance. And, for this reason, we feel it is a fitting place to set the new memorial.



Christ Church Sermon Snippet 1 Corinthians 12: 4-11

Britain's Got Talent? If you ask children today what they want to be, the dreams of my childhood are no longer there. Engine drivers and firemen have given way to footballers and popstars. TV shows give people an opportunity to show what they can do and some of it is surprising or remarkable.

Today we go back to Paul's squabbling church in Corinth as he tackles their arguments about who is the better Christian by asking what our God-given abilities are for. We all have our own abilities, whether they are natural or super-natural, but, besides the question of what our individual talents are, is the question of what good are they?



Emmanuel Sermon Snippet 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13

I think it was Oscar Wilde who said "I can resist anything except temptation"... I think we all know that feeling!

Temptation is something that always seems to be lurking in the corner of our lives. Is this just our modern society or has this always been the case? Can we learn from the mistakes of others and, if so, what?

On Sunday we'll look at what the apostle Paul said to the church family in Corinth. It was a church rather proud of itself – and Paul gently takes them down a peg or two!



Prayer Pointers

MONDAY

During this period of reflection on the sacrifice of many during past and present wars, and all who have given their lives often for people they didn't even know, we think of the recent heroism by the man on Burnham beach. Help us, Lord, to be inspired, and our own lives enriched, by their example.

TUESDAY

As your Kingdom people Lord, help us to be truly salt and light in your world. May we act on your words that, unless a seed dies and falls into the ground, it will not bear fruit. May we follow the example of Jesus dying for us - that we might have abundant and eternal life and, each day, share that message with others.

WEDNESDAY

Father God we continue to pray for the Middle East - that all residing there temporarily may get back to their homelands safely, that all hostages may be released unharmed, and all non-combatants may no longer be at risk. We pray that no more innocent lives are lost.

THURSDAY

We pray that the devastation caused by floods to communities, homes, and businesses may be rapidly alleviated by government assistance, charitable help, and the generous response of insurance companies.

FRIDAY

We pray that real progress may be made with regard to the immigrant situation - that all applicants may be treated with compassion and fairness and in a way that does not overwhelm our already stretched public services.

SATURDAY

○ God of Truth and Justice, we earnestly pray that all our police forces may reflect balanced, fair treatment of all citizens. May unworthy police be sifted out and our justice systems prioritise just treatments of victims of crime over financial costs. And we earnestly pray that all our laws return to Biblical principles.

What's On This Week

Saturday 11th November

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

Sunday 12th November

Families Together at 12noon in The Spire Centre
Deaf Church at 3pm at Emmanuel

Monday 13th November

Ladies Together at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre

Tuesday 14th November

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

Wednesday 15th November

Seedlings Toddler Group at 10:15am at Christ Church
(please contact Nicky if you would like to be added to the waiting list)

Bereavement Course at 2:30pm at Christ Church

Thursday 16th November

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

Saturday 18th November

Active Men's Group Outing to SS Great Britain
(at time of print, only one space left...!)

Notices

Poppy Appeal

There is a box of poppies outside the Church Office - please feel free to take one & leave a contribution in the charity tin alongside.

Verse For The Week

"...God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, but one body "

1 Corinthians 12: 18-20

Watch the Morning Service

at www.ccwsm.org.uk

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

Coffee after the Service...



Sunday 12th November

Join us after the morning service in the Spire Centre (pre-school room) 12noon(ish) until 1:30pm!

Lunch will be provided.

An opportunity to get together with other families in church - play, chat, learn about, and share life with God together.

Let Nicky know if you can come!
email: family.ministry@ccwsm.org.uk

Active Men's Group Visit to SS Great Britain

Date: Saturday 18th November
Time: 9:30am (Avonmouth Park & Ride)
Ticket Price: £20

Only one space left - first come, first served...!



See last week's Connected for further details.

Please speak to Emma in the Church Office if you would like to come along.

REPAIR CAFE

Do join us for the next Repair Café this Saturday, 11th November, from 10am-12:30pm at Christ Church

To include the presentation of the first charitable donations - for Weston Foodbank and Christ Church's Disabled Access Door Appeal



Emmanuel Christmas Bazaar

Saturday 25th November
10:30am til 2pm



- Variety of Stalls
- Refreshments (including lunches)
- Homemade Cakes

If you are able to donate any items for the gift bags please put them in the box at the back of church at Emmanuel.

Also, any good quality jewellery and bric-a-brac items would be appreciated.
Thank you.

Christ Church Christmas 'Fayre'

Saturday 2nd December
10am til 2pm
(*light lunches will be available*)



Donations needed (please bring to Church Office):

- Books / Puzzles
- Craft
- Edibles
- Brand New / Nearly New Gift Items

Volunteers needed for various tasks - please see Chris Webber if you can help in any way

Contact Details

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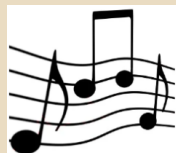
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More coffee anyone...

Carol Service Choir

"It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!"



...well, not really, but there are only five weeks until the Carol Service at 6pm on 17th December so I'm putting together our annual Christ Church Christmas Choir.

You don't have to be an excellent singer - but it helps if you can sing in tune, and be willing to learn.

We'll be rehearsing on Sundays after the morning service starting on this Sunday - 12th November. I'd suggest bringing along a packed lunch to eat after the service and then we'll start rehearsing about 12:30pm. We'll be finished no later than 2pm each week.

The choir is open to all ages and we'd love to have some new faces join us this year. Please let me know if you'd like to be part of the choir so I can print off enough music - angelina.white@ccwsm.org.uk



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Appeal ! Emergency Appeal ! Emergency App

The conflict in Gaza and Israel is escalating, causing a humanitarian crisis. Thousands of civilians have died. Homes have been destroyed. Families have been torn apart.

More than a million people have been displaced by the conflict, causing a humanitarian crisis in the Middle East. People of all faiths are finding shelter and refuge in local churches, putting a huge strain on resources.

In response, Tearfund is working with local churches and partners to scope the need and prepare emergency provisions for those seriously affected by the conflict.

Please join us in praying for the lives that have been ruined by the unfolding crisis and, if you are also able to give, click [here](#).

Christ Church Flower Rota

We are really in need of some new volunteers for the 2024 flower rota so, if you would like further information or are happy to join the team, please speak to Sandra Wilkes.



Christ Church Door Appeal

If you would like to contribute towards this, there are marked envelopes at the back of church for cash or cheque donations or, if you would like to donate directly through the bank, click [here](#), go to <https://ccwsm.org.uk/door/> or select 'Disabled Access Door Appeal' under the 'Church Life' menu on our website. Thank you!

BIBLE READING NOTES

If you would like Bible reading notes for next year, please click on the following link: <https://ccwsm.org.uk/product-category/bible-notes/> where you can order and pay online.

Alternatively, please contact Sandra Wilkes to place an order [in which case, the cost of one year's subscription needs to be paid].

If you have not had Bible reading notes before, please see our website [link above] or speak to Sandra.

