

Connected

Sunday 14th January 2024

2nd Sunday Of Epiphany

OUR VERSES FOR 2024:

All this is from
God, who
reconciled us to
himself through
Christ and gave us
the ministry of
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We are therefore
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2 CORINTHIANS 5 V 18-20



Emmanuel
CHURCH

Sermon Snippets

Christ Church 2 Corinthians 5: 14-21

"All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ..." (2 Corinthians 5 v 18)

This is forming part of our "Verse for the Year" – and thank you to Andy Page and Richard Flew for preparing and hanging the banners in church!

If we have lived as Christians for any length of time, it can seem quite natural to us to have God in our lives. However, if we take a step back for a moment and consider God's supreme holiness, to be reconciled with Him is amazing.

Do come along/tune in to see how extraordinary this is!



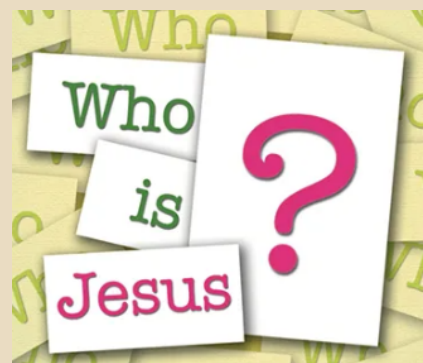
...and, also, we start to think about our own role now we are part of God's family; which is to "embody" this very message of reconciliation. Now that is quite a call to live up to!

Emmanuel John 1: 43-51

Foretold in the Law and by the prophets, yet when the wise men came in search of him the religious hierarchy were troubled. Phillip tells Nathaniel "we have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law..."

"Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" or "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel."

As we peer into the manger what is our reaction? Because, when Jesus is revealed to us as the chosen one of God, he makes a call on our lives.



Prayer Pointers

Let us pray for the many Christians who have chosen to live and serve in some of the most dangerous countries in the world to share the good news of Jesus Christ.

Please pray:

For Lucy who is a missionary in Asia - befriending and living among women and supporting local believers.

For the Potter family who run a school in the Philippines.

For Andy Page as he jointly leads International Prayer Connect – mobilising worldwide prayer for global missions and the fulfilment of the Great Commission!

For the Morrissey family who, on their return from Senegal, now live and work in Exeter - Helen continuing on in missionary work with foreign students.

For CITA - a secretarial school in Ghana, run by Paul Sodzi's mother, helping young women to gain secretarial skills whilst also hearing the good news of Jesus.

For Christians Against Poverty (CAP) providing debt counselling for people in financial difficulty (overseen in Weston by Paul Larcombe).

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

For Samaritan's Purse - providing international relief and development through local churches to proclaim and demonstrate the love of God (including, among many things, the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes).

For Tearfund - supporting those in poverty and providing disaster relief.

For St Peter's Youth Drop-In - providing a space for young people to drop-in every weekday after school.

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

Saturday 13th January

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

Sunday 14th January

Families Together at 12noon in The Spire Centre

Monday 15th January

Ladies Together at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre

Tuesday 16th January

Parish Prayers at 9:30am at Emmanuel

The Beacon at 12noon at Emmanuel

Wednesday 17th January

Seedlings Toddler Group at 10:15am at Christ Church

Alpha Course at 2pm in The Spire Centre

Thursday 18th January

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

Welcome Group at 2:30pm at Emmanuel

Notices

Verse For The Year Bookmarks

There will be a handful of 'Verse For The Year' bookmarks available at the back of both churches on Sunday for anyone who would like one. If these all go but you would like one, please contact Emma in the Church Office as more can be printed.

Tom & Larissa's Day Off

Please note that, next week, Tom & Larissa will be taking their day off on Friday 19th January (instead of Tuesday 16th).

Verse For The Year

" All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: be reconciled to God. "

2 Corinthians: 5: 18-20

Coffee after the Service...

Men's Breakfast

Saturday 27th January

8:30am-10am

Bacon butties, toast, and drinks...
then "A scientist looks at some
of life's problems" (Paul Sodzi will
be interviewing Terry Baillie)

Cost £3



If you would like to attend, please
add your name to the sign-up
sheet at the back of church
(available at both churches)



Sunday 28th January at 4pm
St Andrew's Church, Banwell
BS29 6EA

Deanery Service of Light

*Celebrating all
that Jesus is
doing with us.*

CHRISTMAS CARDS!



THE CRAFT & CHAT GROUP WOULD BE HAPPY TO
TAKE ANY OLD CHRISTMAS CARDS - IF YOU
HAVEN'T YET RECYCLED YOURS, PLEASE POP
THEM IN THE PLASTIC BOX AT THE BACK OF
CHRIST CHURCH.

THE LOST PROPERTY BOX WILL BE OUT AT
THE BACK OF CHRIST CHURCH ON SUNDAY -
PLEASE HAVE A LOOK THROUGH TO SEE IF
ANYTHING IS YOURS!



Sunday 14th January

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

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

REPAIR CAFE

The next Repair Café is this
coming Saturday, 13th January,
from 10am-12:30pm at
Christ Church

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