

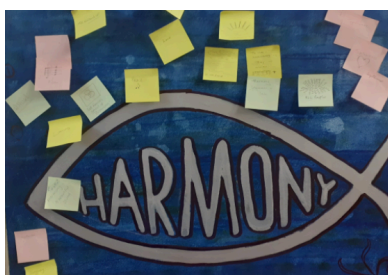
# Connected

6th Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 7th July 2024

## Celebration of Lay Ministries

The other Saturday afternoon, on 22nd June, one hundred plus people from all over the Diocese met at St. Paul's to celebrate lay ministries - all the many activities that go on across the area led by people who are not clergy. The theme was 'harmony' - being together and working together in unity, with all our diversity, we can create harmony.



The afternoon started with a service and, running through it, was the acknowledgment that we all have gifts that are needed for the building of God's kingdom whatever our age, abilities, or our own personal sense of worth. And, for these, we gave thanks. There was rousing singing and two people with very different ministries were interviewed (see 'Coffee after the Service' for their stories). Bishop Michael thanked everyone for their part in the building of the Kingdom and reminded us how diverse our gifts are.

We then went into the hall where stalls had been set up showcasing a wide variety of lay led ministries. These included The Healing Advisory Group, Mothers Union, Eco Church, Ripple Effect, Franciscans, Young People, Growing Young Leaders, The Beacon from Emmanuel, and the Repair Cafe from Christ Church.



Bishop Michael went round them all taking a real interest in the many and diverse ways God's Kingdom was built up in the Diocese.

*Meg*

For a few more photos taken on the day, and to read about the ministries of those who were interviewed, please continue reading under 'Coffee after the Service'...!

## Sermon Snippets

### Christ Church

1 Peter 2: 4-5 (ICB)

If you look at a drystone wall you will see that it is made up of stones of all sorts of shapes and sizes. In his first letter in the Bible, Peter tells us that we are 'living stones'. I wonder if drystone walls can help us think about what that might mean?



### Emmanuel

1 Peter 1: 3-12

When we have been through trials of any kind we are much relieved to have come out the other end. When we have the choice of facing them it isn't always so easy. But for some there is no choice - the tests are given without choice.



# Prayer Pointers

## Church Family:

We place into your hands, Lord, all those in our Churches who are sick, bereaved, lonely, suffering, or waiting for treatment/recovering from treatment.

Father God, we lift up to you our toddler group, and ask for your hand to be in the organisation of 'Sing & Smile' as it meets on Wednesdays during August - for all who help, organise, and attend.

## The Local Area:

Matthew 18: 2-5 'He called a little child to him, and placed the child among them. And he said: 'Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.'

Following on from the seven days of prayer from the Diocese, we continue to pray for the children in our community - those you know (in your family, your neighbours, and those connected to our churches), those you don't know but see around in our local community (in local schools and colleges, youth clubs, and uniformed organisations), and those who are not able to be at church as they are taking part in tournaments.

## National Prayer:

We pray for the newly elected councillors in our community and the newly elected Prime Minister - that they will lead truthfully, justly, and fairly, and are willing to be led by you Lord.

## Global Prayer:

Hurricane Beryl is due to hit the Caribbean and some of the smaller islands. We pray for safety and protection for all the inhabitants and communities.

Lord, we bring before you the global extremism and evil that is in our world today - we think of those who know nothing else but extreme violence in their daily lives, those who have no choice but to join wars in many parts of the world, and those who are affected by the loss and suffering that these wars bring.

Let us join these in prayer asking God that good may come through these situations, and that peace will return.

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## *Watch the Morning Service*

at [www.ccwsm.org.uk](http://www.ccwsm.org.uk)

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

# What's On This Week

## Saturday 6th July

Summer Fete from 10:30am-2pm at Emmanuel

## Sunday 7th July

Evening Prayer Service at 6pm at Christ Church  
(Theme: Family Ministry Work + Restoration Station)

## Monday 8th July

Ladies Together at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre

## Tuesday 9th July

Parish Prayers at 9:30am at Emmanuel

The Beacon at 12noon at Emmanuel

Book Club at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre (for those who have signed-up)

## Wednesday 10th July

Seedlings Toddler Group at 10:15am at Christ Church

Holy Communion at 10:30am at Emmanuel

## Thursday 11th July

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

Welcome Group at 2:30pm at Emmanuel

## Friday 12th July

Ambassadors Crazy Golf at 7pm on the Seafront

## Saturday 13th July

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

Open Garden from 2:30pm (see programme for details)

## Sunday 14th July

Deaf Church at 3pm at Emmanuel

## Notices

### *Larissa Unavailable*

Please note that Larissa will be unavailable from Friday 12th July til Sunday 14th July inclusive.

### *Nicky Unavailable*

Please note that Nicky will be unavailable on Friday 19th July.

## *Verse For The Week*

" Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. "

*1 Peter 1: 3-4a*

# Coffee after the Service...

## EMMANUEL SUMMER FETE



OXFORD STREET

**SATURDAY**

**6th JULY**

**10:30am to 2pm**

*Refreshments  
Light lunches from 12noon  
Variety of stalls  
(including homemade cakes)*



Please come along and  
join us at our annual  
summer fete!

## Celebration of Lay Ministries Continued...!

Here is some information about the ministries of those who were interviewed:

First was someone from the Christian Motorcyclist Association. They wore a black leather jacket, just like motorcyclists, but with a big silver cross on their back. Some come to Weston on a Thursday evening when the motorcyclists gather. Others go to all the different events that go on. They are trusted by the cyclists to look after their helmets if they want to go into town. They also provide a listening ear and hand out Bibles when it seems appropriate that can fit into a pocket.

The second person interviewed was from The Mission To Seafarers at Portbury. Seamen are away from home for nine months of the year and, again, it is the trust and need for a listening ear that is so important. Another important task is that sometimes the seamen don't get paid regularly which can cause real hardship and the missionaries can usually sort this out for them.

World Premiere of a New Musical

# Mary The Mother

Lyrics by Peter Perrin & Music by Angela Lavelle of W-s-M  
Caprione Community Choir  
supported by St. Mary's Church Choir - Hutton and friends near and far



6.30pm

Sat 6th July 2024

Clarence Park Baptist Church  
Walliscote Rd, W-s-M, BS23 1ED

**Admission free**

Retiring collection for  
Weston-super-Mare

**foodbank**

Refreshments during the interval together  
with sale of Wood Turning items  
donated for the Foodbank

Further information  
from Peter Perrin 01934 625788,  
caprionecommunitychoir@cpbc.co.uk



# More coffee anyone...?

## Evening Prayer Service

To conclude the week of prayer for children and young people, we will be gathering to pray this Sunday:

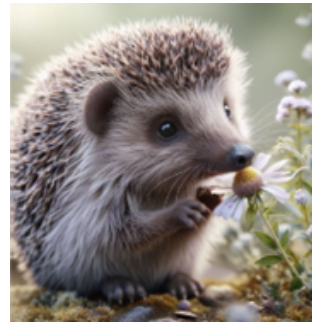
**Sunday 7th July  
6pm at Christ Church**

The focus will be on our upcoming Families Together Summer Special event – 'The Restoration Station' - and, more generally, the work and future of our Family Ministry.

Prayer underpins everything we do. We would love for you to join us as we prayerfully ask God for his guidance in this ministry.



## Open Garden



Our next Open Garden will be taking place on Saturday 13th July from 2:30pm-5pm

Please see the Programme for host/address details.

Programmes can be obtained from the Church Office - please speak to Emma if you would like one.

## Ambassadors Women's Group

Friday 12th July at 7pm

Meet at Crazy Hills Crazy Golf, 34 Knightstone Road, W-s-M, BS23 2BD (next to Water Park)

Please bring £4.50 cash to pay on arrival.

Come along and have some fun!



There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church - please add your name if you would like to come. And, feel free to invite a friend!

## It's Panto Time!

(In Feb 2025...)

at St Peter's Church, WsM



**Do you love drama? Do you love Panto?**  
If the answer is yes to both of these questions we would love for you to come along to a Drama workshop at St Peter's church, Baytree road on Sunday 21st July 2 - 5 pm  
Rehearsals will be starting in September 2024  
We would love adults and young people to be involved so if you are aged 11 or above come along, have fun and find out more!

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**REPAIR CAFE**

The next Repair Café will be held on Saturday 13th July from 10am-12:30pm at Christ Church