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14th Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 1st September 2024

Tom's Camp!

Thank you to those who prayed for me, and the mission fund that supported me, to lead on my teenage Christian camp.

Once again, it proved a great mix of getting to know the teens, lots of fun, and seeing God work in many of their lives.

One highlight was the rearranging of the day out we were due to have at Eastbourne. Because of the riots that week, it was prudent not to go. So, at very short notice, we had "the beach come to our camp". Given our camp was in the middle of Sussex that was no small feat! But with large inflatables, fairground games, and several sacks of sand we did it!



Watch the Morning Service

at www.ccwsm.org.uk

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

Sermon Snippets

Christ Church: 1 Timothy 4: 12-16

Timothy was a church leader at a young age. He was Paul's protégé and, on a number of occasions, was Paul's special representative.

Timothy had a timid nature but, as far as Paul was concerned, Timothy had proven himself as very powerful ambassador for Jesus.

Timothy shows us that:

- God uses young people and gives them responsibility.
- God uses shy and timid people, equipping them for courageous roles.
- God uses parents and grandparents for a very important teaching and nurturing role.

EMMANUEL: EPHESIANS 6: 10-20

THIS PASSAGE FROM THE PRECIOUS 'EPHESIANS' LETTER CONTAINS AN ALLEGORY (I.E. A DESCRIPTION OF A SUBJECT UNDER THE GUISE OF SOME OTHER SUBJECT OF APTLY SUGGESTIVE RESEMBLANCE). IT DESCRIBES THE CHRISTIAN SOLDIER'S ARMOUR AND WHO WE FIGHT AGAINST.

WE COULD THINK ABOUT HOW THE CHRISTIAN SOMETIMES FIGHTS BATTLES IN COMPANY AND THEN FINDS THEMSELVES

IN SINGLE COMBAT. HOW THE ROMAN RECRUIT WAS TRAINED TO MARCH CARRYING BACK-BREAKING LOADS AND HOW THEY WERE PUSHED TO EXHAUSTION, ONLY TO BE ENCOURAGED BY THE CENTURION, 'MORE SWEAT ON THE DRILL FIELD, LESS BLOOD ON THE BATTLEFIELD'.

ALL THIS MUST BE WORKED OUT FROM PAUL'S ILLUSTRATION AND PUT TO SPIRITUAL APPLICATION. OTHERWISE WE MAY THINK 'WONDERFUL LETTER, INTERESTING HISTORY, BUT WHERE DOES IT TOUCH ME?'.

HERE IS THE THEORY, IT IS UP TO EACH CHRISTIAN TO WORK OUT THE PRACTICE.



What's On This Week

Saturday 31st August

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

Monday 2nd September

No Ladies Together this week

Tuesday 3rd September

Parish Prayers at 9:30am at Emmanuel

The Beacon at 12noon at Emmanuel

Wednesday 4th September

No Seedlings Toddler Group this week

Thursday 5th September

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

No Welcome Group this week

Saturday 7th September

Coffee Morning from 10:30am-12noon at Emmanuel

Sunday 8th September

Families Together at 12noon in The Spire Centre

Deaf Church at 3pm at Emmanuel

Evening Prayer Service at 6pm at Emmanuel

(Theme: Church Growth & Community Transformation)

Notices

Nicky Unavailable

Please note that Nicky is unavailable from Saturday 31st August til Saturday 7th September inclusive. And also on Monday 16th September.

Larissa Unavailable

Please note that Larissa is unavailable on Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th September.

Verse For The Week

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity."

1 Timothy 4: 12



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Prayer Pointers

Sunday

Pray for all who are taking part in today's services at Christ Church and Emmanuel. For welcomers, musicians, readers, intercessors, and the speaker giving the talk. For those involved in personal prayer ministry, and the time of fellowship over refreshments before we go home.

<u>Monday</u>

Being a seaside town, Weston values it's RNLI lifeboat (currently accommodated near Knightstone Island). Pray for those who volunteer to man the lifeboat, especially when rescuing those who mistakenly think they can reach the sea and get stuck in the mud.

Tuesday

During the recent summer holidays, there will have been beach missions and events run by Scripture Union (and others) for young people. Among these there will have been some who have responded positively to follow Jesus. Pray for these young people who may encounter opposition from unexpected places: home, school, or even from among friends.

<u>Wednesday</u>

September sees the start of the new academic year and this can be an anxious time for those children entering a new environment. Grant understanding to their teachers in easing them into unfamiliar surroundings and new ways of doing things.

<u>Thursday</u>

Some who have completed their schooling may be going on to college or university. May they be encouraged to join a Christian Union as this can make all the difference to their college experience.

<u>Friday</u>

Pray for Larissa as she prepares to leave us in the autumn. Give thanks for her ministry with us over the past three years and for her new ministry at St Augustine's, Locking and St Mary's, Hutton.

Saturday

Pray for the concluding Open Garden taking place next Saturday (14th), giving thanks to all those who hosted events this year.

Coffee after the Service...



Life Group Resources

As part of our shared preparation for our Church Weekend at Home in October, the Life Groups are using a six-week study exploring different aspects of 'Being With Jesus'.

If you are not part of a Life Group, but would like to follow the weekly studies, please contact Emma in the Church Office and she can either email you an electronic copy or print one off for you to collect. These will be available from Monday 2nd September.

Evening Prayer Service at Emmanuel



Bishop Michael has announced a 24-hour call to prayer across the diocese of Bath and Wells, from 7pm on Friday 6th September...

He asks that all of us join him in praying for growth in our churches and transformation in our communities. There are a variety of events happening across the Diocese and resources available, including an online prayer board which can be accessed at:

www.bathandwells.org.uk/faith/diocesan -wave-prayer/

As part of this call to prayer, Emmanuel will be hosting our next **Evening Prayer Service** on Sunday 8th September to continue to pray as a Benefice.

We look forward to recommitting the missional life of both our churches to God when we meet together on:

Sunday 8th September 6pm at Emmanuel

We hope to see you there.



Open Garden

Our next Open Garden will be taking place this Saturday, 31st August from 2:30pm-5pm

Please see the Programme for host/address details





Ann Lee is hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning on: Friday 20th September from 11am-4pm

if you would like to attend and/or donate please speak to Ann or visit: https://gofund.me/e1c693d8

<u>Emmanuel Coffee Morning</u>

'Coffee Morning and Sale' at Emmanuel: Saturday 7th September 10:30am-12noon

Come and enjoy a browse and a chat over coffee and cake.





Families Together is starting back...
Sunday 8th September

Join us after the morning service in the Spire Centre (Room 3) 12noon(ish) until 1:30pm!

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

Ambassadors Beetle Drive

We are holding
a Beetle Drive in
The Spire Centre at 7pm
on Friday 13th September.

Cost £2 to cover the winner's prize and refreshments!

If anyone would like to come but needs a lift, please speak to Elaine Fairs.

Please see the sign-up sheets at the back of church.

Enmounity Project

If you are willing to be part of a small team keeping 'Christ Church Steps' tidy, please speak to Chris Cole.

For more information, please see the last couple of weeks'

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