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3rd Sunday Of Easter

Sunday 4th May 2025

Sermon Snippets

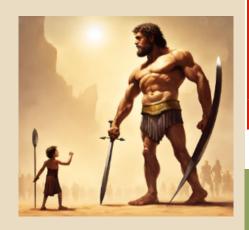
Christ Church

1 Samuel 17: David & Goliath

As we continue to explore the life of David, we come to his dramatic encounter with the giant, 60liath. 60liath's presence looms large as he taunts and provokes the Israelite army yet it's David, a young shepherd, who stands up to him. David trusts in 60d in the face of this giant.

we all face giants ... maybe not quite like Goliath, but in difficult situations that feel completely overwhelming.

what can this story tell us about trusting in 60d in the face of our 'GIANTS'?



Emmanuel

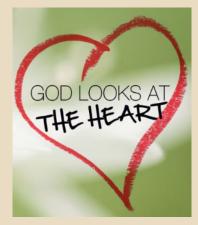
1Samuel 16: 1-13

Mirror, mirror on the wall, who is the fairest one of all...?

What do you see when you look in the mirror?

What do you see when you look at other people?

What does God see when he looks into our hearts?



Evening Prayer Service Sunday 4th May 6pm at Christ Church

Please do join us this Sunday as we pray for 'The Church'. There will be space to pray for the following:



- The Worldwide Church
- The National Church of England
- Our Diocese and Deanery
- Our Parishes

All are welcome!

We look forward to seeing you there.

Verse For The Week

"David said to the Philistine, 'You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the Lord Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This day the Lord will deliver you into my hands... All those gathered here will know that it is not be sword or spear that the Lord saves: for the battle is the Lord's and he will give all of you into our hands.'"

1 Samuel 17: 45-46a, 47

Watch the Morning Service

at www.ccwsm.org.uk

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

Prayer Pointers

Monday

On another Bank Holiday, which brings many visitors to our town, pray for their safety and give thanks for frontline organisations such as the RNLI.

Tuesday

Pray for Bishop Michael and all those involved in managing our Diocese - for the difficult task of managing numerous churches with limited clergy.

Wednesday

For all those who care for our churches - the church wardens and the many others who give their time - not only at Christ Church and Emmanuel but for all churches across the country.

Thursday

It is the 80th Anniversary of VE Day. Please give thanks for all those who gave their lives, and for the peace and prosperity that we have enjoyed over the following years.

Friday

Pray for those who have been injured or disabled in the act of service to our country, and for those currently serving in our armed forces.

Saturday

With so much turmoil and insecurity in the world, pray that people come to see that Christianity can bring comfort and reassurance.

Open Gardens



The new programme for the coming season of Open Gardens is now available at both our churches. Please do take one.

What's On This Week

Saturday 3rd May

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

Sunday 4th May

Evening Prayer Service at 6pm at Christ Church (Theme: Praying For 'The Church')

Monday 5th May

No Ladies Together this week

Tuesday 6th May

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

Wednesday 7th May

Seedlings Toddler Group at 10:15am at Christ Church

Thursday 8th May

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

Saturday 10th May

Repair Cafe from 10am-12noon at Christ Church (please note the slightly earlier finish time)
Open Garden at 2:30pm (see programme for details)

Sunday 11th May

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

Notices

Christ Church APCM

If anyone would like to watch Christ Church's APCM, please contact Emma in the Church Office and she can send you the online link.

Contact Details



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Coffee after the Service...

Emmanuel Coffee Morning

'Coffee Morning and Sale' at Emmanuel Saturday 3rd May from 10:30am-12noon

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



Ambassadors Women's Group

Ten-pin-bowling
Friday 16th May
at All Stars Bowling
(Dolphin Square)



Please arrive by 7:15pm to start playing at 7:30pm. Cost is £10 for under 60s and £8.25 for over 60s.

If you would like to attend, please pop your name on the sign-up sheet... or, if you are at Emmanuel, please notify Anne Jones or contact Emma in the Church Office.

To pay, click <u>here</u> or visit: https://ccwsm.org.uk/productcategory/events/ambassadors/

REPAIR CAFE

The next Repair Café is: Saturday 10th May from 10am-12noon at Christ Church

(please note the slightly earlier finish time this month)



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

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

Please let Nicky know if you can come along! (family.ministry@ccwsm.org.uk)

June Heyworth's Funeral

The funeral for June Heyworth will be held on:

Monday 12th May at 11:30am at Weston Crematorium

All church family are invited but please could you let Emma in the Church Office know if you are planning to attend.



<u>Open Garden</u>

Our first Open Garden will be taking place on Saturday 10th May from 2:30pm-5pm

Please see the Programme for host/address details.

There will be teas, coffee, cakes, and soft drinks (under cover if the sun fails to shine!)





Special Christian Aid Service of Evensong

Wells Cathedral
Sunday 11th May at 3pm

Please do join us for this special service. The speaker will be Dr Frances Clemson, the Faith Communications Lead at Christian Aid. She will be speaking about Christian Aid's work in Guatemala and the biblical call to abundant hope and just action.

There will also be an exhibition of Christian Aid posters to mark the organisation's 80th anniversary. Alongside the posters will be information telling the story of Christian Aid's work, from its origins to today. The poster exhibition will be in the Cathedral from the afternoon of Saturday 10th May to the evening of Wednesday 14th May.