

# Connected

5th Sunday After Trinity

Sunday 20th July 2025

## Weston Hospicecare (Part 1).

**A few weeks ago, Christ Church hosted Weston Hospicecare's Summer Remembrance Service. Families of Hospice patients who have died in the previous year are invited to attend.**

**As the name of their loved one is read out, they are invited to place a sunflower in a vase.**



**It is a beautiful, peaceful event which has become an annual event at Christ Church, renewing a link from the very beginning of Weston Hospice...**

**Many of you will be aware of Weston Hospicecare in Uphill through family members or friends who have received their care. You may not know that Christ Church played a large part in it coming into existence.**

**Our previous vicar, Geoff Hobden, and his wife, Hazel, along with Mary Armstrong, Maureen Whitfield, and others believed that there must be something better for those in need of end of life care.**



**In 1989, with support from local doctors and donations from individuals and community groups, the charity was officially launched. Within three years they had a property in Montpelier from which they ran a Day Hospice as well as some specialist community nurses.**

**They were able to move to their current home in Uphill following a generous legacy from Enid Sybil Jackson-Barstow. This facility now has a 10-Bed Inpatient Unit, a state-of-the-art Day Hospice, a Wellbeing Centre, a spa room, The Haven for quiet reflective time (with a stained glass window designed by Hazel Hobden), in-house catering, and beautiful gardens.**

**Hilary Emery, John Hinchliffe, Rosemary Dyer, Ben Shum, and myself are all volunteers for the Hospice in various ways. Do chat with us to find out more...**



**...and look out for more about the Hospice in future editions!**

*Angeline*

## Sermon Snippets

### Christ Church 1 Chronicles 17: 16-27

**In this week's reading, we see how King David responds to God's faithful promise.**

**God has told David that God will 'establish his house forever', a dynasty that will never end.**

**We'll be considering what that meant for David, what it means for us today, and see what we might learn from this piece of scripture.**



### Emmanuel 2 Samuel 11: 1-27

**So far, in our story of King David, things have been going so well. He has truly been "a man after God's own heart"... that is until it all seems to fall down.**

**In one short chapter of 2 Samuel we find he becomes an adulterer and a murderer. It's a tough passage to face.**

**The danger is to think that, because we may not have committed a capital offence, this doesn't apply to us... but, in truth,**

**temptation and sin are a real part of all of our lives.**

**Join us on Sunday at Emmanuel.**



# What's On This Week

## Saturday 19th July

Ambassadors' Walk / Coffee at 10am in Uphill  
Open Garden at 2:30pm (*see programme for details*)

## Sunday 20th July

Evening Prayer Service at 6pm at Christ Church  
(*Theme: Families Together Summer Special*)

## Monday 21st July

No Ladies Together this week

## Tuesday 22nd July

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

## Wednesday 23rd July

No Seedlings Toddler Group this week

## Thursday 24th July

No Craft & Chat this week  
Welcome Group at 2:30pm at Emmanuel

## Thursday 24th-Saturday 26th July

Families Together Summer Special : 10:30am-12noon  
(*followed by lunch*) (*for those who have registered*)

## Sunday 27th July

Families Together Summer Special Service  
(*followed by 'Bring & Share' lunch*)

## Notices

### *Church Office Closed*

Please be aware that the Church Office will be closed  
from Friday 1st August til Tuesday 5th August inclusive.

## *Verse For The Week*

"The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there  
were loud voices in heaven, which said: 'The kingdom  
of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and  
of his Messiah, and he will reign for ever and ever.'"

*Revelation 11: 15*

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# Prayer Pointers

**MONDAY:** We pray this week for those we ask the Holy Spirit to show us we are responsible for, as we follow the example of Jesus who did only what he saw you doing, Father. Keep us faithful this week, always praying your love and power into every situation you would have us involved in (especially toward our natural families and our Christian brothers and sisters).

**TUESDAY:** We pray for those who feel they are beyond your loving care and concern because of shameful sins or other barriers to fellowship with you, Father. May they discover the eternal truth - that your grace is sufficient - and to experience you as their God and Saviour.

**WEDNESDAY:** Lord, we pray for the vitalministry toward our young people and families. We pray that those thinking of volunteering their services may not be put off by lack of experience or feeling inadequate. Lord, supply all the staff needed and gifts of the Holy Spirit to grow this wonderful ministry.

**THURSDAY:** Lord, we thank you for your provision of new ministers who bless us through the ministry of Your Word, enriching our lives. We thank you, Lord, for the growth of our choir and orchestra - so vital in inspiring our worship each week.

**FRIDAY:** We pray for all those who visit our town and church during the holiday season. May they receive every blessing, both bodily and spiritually, and particularly our warmest of welcomes.

**SATURDAY:** We pray for what seems to be a growing number of bereavements, causing loneliness. We pray also for those having difficulty finding caring situations that meet the needs of dementia cases, and those with other health issues as well. Lord, may all their needs be abundantly met.

**Lord, in your mercy,  
hear our prayers.**



# Coffee after the Service...

## Open Garden

Our next Open Garden is this Saturday, 19th July, from 2:30pm-5pm

Please see the Programme for host/address details.



### ● REMINDER! ●

There will be a team briefing for the Families Together Summer Special after the service this Sunday, 20th July (see email from Nicky for details!). ●

## Ladies Together

Our 'Ladies Together' enjoyed a lovely afternoon in Alan & Maureen's garden on Monday...

...the sun shone and lots of cake was eaten! Bev took this photo stating: "I couldn't resist this pic opportunity... get those posh pinkies!"



## Evening Prayer Service Sunday 20th July 6pm at Christ Church

Please come and pray with us this coming Sunday, 20th July, at 6pm.

We will be praying for our Families Together Summer Special - for fun and safety. But, most of all, that the children would begin to grasp the amazing love God has for each of them.



## Bring & Share Sunday 27th July



You are all invited to join the 'Treasure Seekers' crew on Sunday 27th July for a whole church 'Bring & Share' lunch.

We will gather after the service and enjoy some food and friendship.

If you are able to come, please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back of Christ Church. And, if you can also bring some food to share, please have a look at the suggested contributions list and pop your name against one (or more) things you would be happy to bring along.

## Watch the Morning Service

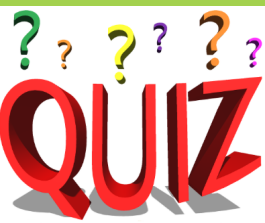
at [www.ccwsm.org.uk](http://www.ccwsm.org.uk)

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

## Quiz, Cream Tea, & Raffle...

Thursday 14th August  
at 2:30pm  
Emmanuel Church Hall

Keith Bury will be the quiz-master. Cost £3.50 (pay on the day). Everyone welcome! Please pop your name on the sign-up sheet (available at both churches) if you would like to attend.



Tuesday evenings:  
7pm-9pm, starting  
16th September  
Spire Centre  
Christ Church

For more information see 6th July edition of Connected, email: [family.ministry@ccwsm.org.uk](mailto:family.ministry@ccwsm.org.uk), or call: 01934 641016

To register for the course, please fill out the form on the events page of our website: (<https://ccwsm.org.uk/events/>) and look out for a confirmation email. Places are limited...!!

# More coffee anyone...?

## Nashley House Update...

On 10th July, 'The Christ Church Singers' visited Nashley House for a Summer Sunshine Singalong. This title was quite apt as the day turned out to be in the middle of the heatwave and part of the fun was to dress appropriately in bright summer clothes! As usual the lounge was full of eager residents and, while it was very hot outside, the temperature inside was very comfortable as they are fully equipped with air conditioning.



We took with us a varied programme, each song celebrating a different aspect of summer: these included old favourites such as Summer Holiday; Sunny Afternoon; some good old singalong songs such as Bring Me Sunshine; plus a short medley of Beside the Seaside and All the Nice Girls. To inject a touch of sophistication(?!) we included the Gershwin classic Summertime, only to revert back to form with Itsy Bitsy Teeny Weeny Yellow Polka Dot Bikini!



Our programmes always include a Christian song or hymn and our emcee, Chris Cole, gives a little background about the song and why we have chosen it. The song we picked this time was Sunshine in My Soul, a lovely song of praise written by the American school teacher Eliza Hewitt in the 19th century. Chris also produces PowerPoint presentations of some of the songs so the residents can join in if they wish, and many do! It is a lovely experience to see them having fun, singing along with us. Vicky, who is in charge of entertainments, is always there on hand to encourage their participation and, now that we have been there a number of times, we have become very well accepted by the residents and some really do enjoy a good sing-song!

As a group we feel privileged to go out and share God's love through music, song, and friendship, using the talents which, through His Grace, he has given us.

We look forward to our next visit to Nashley House at the tail end of summer.

*William*



**GOOD NEWS**  
for Everyone!

### Somerset North Branch

*Warmly invite you to come  
along and hear how God is  
changing lives.*

**Saturday 16th August**

**Time: 12.30 for 1pm**

St Peter's Church Hall

1 Alexandra Road, Clevedon BS21 7QE

Use Copse Road Carpark - BS21 7QE

*for information and  
opportunities to get involved.*

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Good News for Everyone (formerly Gideons UK) is an association of committed Christians from all walks of life who love the Lord and His Word, the Bible. We seek to introduce others to Jesus by placing or presenting copies of His Word in various forms on the traffic lanes of national life, i.e. where people are.

The event, which includes a buffet lunch, will inform you of the many changes and opportunities available now and update you with stories from people whose lives have been changed through reading God's Word. We are very much in prayer for this event that the Lord will bring along those with a passion for the gospel and the Word of God, willing to become part of this work.

If you would like to attend, please contact Iain Erskine using the email address shown on the poster.