

Connected

Sunday 26th October 2025

Last Sunday After Trinity



Operation Christmas Child

This year we are, again, encouraging folk to support Operation Christmas Child (a project run by Samaritan's Purse)

The most straightforward way to participate is by packing a shoebox online. Either:

1) Go to <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/shoebox-online/create-a-box> and create your own shoebox(es). Each box costs £25. This way you can choose the gender/age of your child and pick items to go in your box(es).

OR 2) Go to <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/shoebox-online/send-a-pre-packed-shoebox> to send a pre-packed shoebox(es). Here you can simply confirm how many boxes you wish to send and donate accordingly (again, £25 per box).

Alternatively, there are a few pre-printed shoeboxes available should you wish to physically pack your own complete shoebox (plus leaflets explaining what to put in a box). If packing your own shoebox, Samaritan's Purse also asks for a donation of £5 per box to cover shipping costs. Please see David White or speak to Emma in the Church Office regarding payment of this.

Lastly, if you aren't able to pack a shoebox (either online or physically) but would like to donate money towards the project, please see David White or speak to Emma in the Church Office.

For further information relating to Operation Christmas Child, access to all relevant links, and 'ways to pay' if donating, please visit our website: <https://ccwsm.org.uk/shoebox-appeal-2025/>

All boxes (physical and online) will be dedicated during services on 9th November (Christ Church) and on 16th November (Emmanuel).

Sermon Snippets

Christ Church

1 John 4: 7-16

No-One Must Find Out!

Are there times when you feel you do not measure up? Or are there times where you feel you do not do enough? Do you ever get that 'imposter' feeling - that if people knew the truth about you, they wouldn't like you, or see you as a failure?

We probably all get those feelings or variations of them. But what does God say about it?

Several of our congregation's favourite verses seem to pick up on the theme so we will try and address that this morning.

Emmanuel

Psalm 42

We were created to be in communion with God, whether we realise this or not; our souls long for the touch of God upon our lives.



Watch the Morning Service

at www.ccwsm.org.uk

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

Prayer Pointers

Sunday

Please pray for three people whom you know are unwell, and/or facing hospital appointments, treatments, or operations.

Monday

Pray for the speaker, leader, and members of Ladies Together.

Tuesday

Pray for the ministry of the Beacon held at Emmanuel today.

Wednesday

Pray for all the parents and children coming to Christ Church and/or Emmanuel.

Thursday

Pray for our Family Worker, Nicky, and her team at Christ Church and for the young people at Emmanuel.

Friday

Pray for the preachers, leaders, and musicians preparing for Sunday services in our churches.

Saturday

Give thanks and pray for the ministry of the Chaplains in Weston College, the hospital, and Weston Hospicare.

Don't Forget...

...the clocks
go back this
weekend (26th
October)!



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What's On This Week

Saturday 25th October

Men's Breakfast at 8:30am at Christ Church

Monday 27th October

Ladies Together at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre

Tuesday 28th October

Parish Prayers at 9:30am at Emmanuel

The Beacon at 12noon at Emmanuel

Wednesday 29th October

No Seedlings Toddler Group this week

Thursday 30th October

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

Welcome Group at 2:30pm at Emmanuel

Friday 31st October

Lightfest from 4:30pm-6:30pm at Christ Church
(for those who have registered)

Saturday 1st November

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

Sunday 2nd November

Memorial Service at 4pm at Christ Church

Notices

Tom Unavailable

Please note that Tom will be unavailable on:
Wednesday 5th November
Thursday 6th November
Wednesday 12th November

Verse For The Week

" This is how God showed his love among us: he sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. "

1 John 4: 9-10

Remembrance Poppies



Poppies are now available at Christ Church - these will be at the back of church on Sunday or outside the Church Office during the week - please feel free to take one and leave a donation in the charity tin alongside.

Coffee after the Service...

Annual Memorial Service Christ Church



Sunday 2nd November at 4pm



You are warmly invited to a special service to remember and give thanks for anyone you have known and loved who has passed away.

The service will be gentle and reflective, and there will be the opportunity to light a candle in memory of your loved one.

There is no need to let us know in advance if you are coming, simply join us on the day. The service will be followed by refreshments.

As you come to the service, you can suggest the names of loved ones to be read out in the service itself. If you cannot make it to the service, do email Tom (revtom@ccwsm.org.uk) and he can make sure they are included.

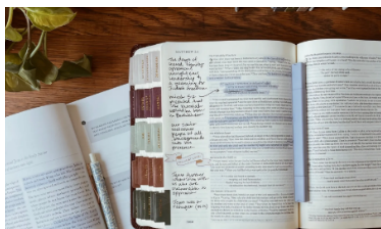
Do invite along a friend if you feel it would be helpful (there are a few invites available at the back of both churches).

BIBLE READING NOTES

Time to order your Bible reading notes for 2026!

If you would like to place an order, please contact Sandra Wilkes. Payment of one year's subscription will be required on placing the order (Sandra can let you know how much this will be). Payment can be made by either cheque, cash, card, or bank transfer.

If you have not had Bible reading notes before, please do speak to Sandra.



Jon Simon's Funeral

The funeral for Jon Simons is to be held **this coming Monday, 27th October**, at **10:30am** at Christ Church.

If you are able, please wear something red to the service.



All church family are invited.

LIGHTFEST 2025!

FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER, 4:30PM-6:30PM

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

TO REGISTER, PLEASE GO TO [CCWSM.ORG.UK/EVENTS/](https://ccwsm.org.uk/events/) - CLICK ON THE LIGHTFEST TAB FOR MORE INFORMATION. THEN FILL OUT THE ONLINE FORM AND WAIT FOR AN EMAIL FROM NICKY CONTAINING A LINK TO PAY. THE COST IS £2 PER PERSON (BABIES UNDER 6 MONTHS GO FREE).



Donate

AND ALSO, IF YOU ARE ABLE, WE WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE DONATIONS

OF SWEETS FOR THE GOODY BAGS - SMALL / INDIVIDUAL PACKETS OF HARIBO-TYPE SWEETS, WRAPPED SWEETS, SMALL 'FUN-SIZED' CHOCOLATE BARS, ETC. NO NUTS PLEASE.

THERE WILL BE A TUB AT THE BACK OF CHRIST CHURCH FOR DONATIONS TO BE PUT IN ON SUNDAYS. OTHERWISE, PLEASE LEAVE THEM WITH EMMA IN THE CHURCH OFFICE. THANK YOU!

Emmanuel Coffee Morning

The next 'Coffee Morning and Sale' at Emmanuel will be on:
Saturday 1st November
10:30am-12noon
Come and enjoy a browse and a chat over coffee and cake.



More coffee anyone...?

Thank You!

The clocks are going back, the nights are drawing in, and our gardens are being tidied for their winter rest... So, it seems a good time to look back at what was, overall, a glorious summer and give a **BIG THANK YOU** to all those who opened their gardens over the summer for our series of afternoon teas. Even the few damp afternoons still seemed to go really well and many people enjoyed the time for fellowship as well as cake. Your efforts helped the finances of both churches as well.

Thank you to all those who hosted the events and those who helped them with refreshments. You have all helped in making the summer enjoyable.



If you have never hosted an 'Open Garden' before then you might like to think about offering next year as it is a really good thing to do.

Terry

Thank You Christ Church

I'd like to say a big thank you to everyone at Christ Church who have been praying faithfully for me over the last four years while I have been ill and unable to get to church. Watching the services and daily prayers online have blessed me.

I have now finally had brain surgery and, praise God, the pain has gone and my brilliant surgeon says I should have at least two years, if not more, pain free.

Hallelujah!!

Very soon, God willing, I will be back in church with you all. I just can't wait! God is faithful and He answers prayer His way and in His time. I have been so aware of the presence of Jesus and these four years have not been wasted. This time at home has enabled me to spend more time in prayer and reading my Bible and listening to God instead of rushing around 'doing'! I need to go on learning to listen a lot more than I speak or act.

This verse has been such a blessing during this time: 2 Corinthians 12 v 9 "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness".

Knowing that my Christ Church family cared and were praying has made an enormous difference to me and again, from the bottom of my heart, thank you everyone.

God bless you all.

Penny

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2 CORINTHIANS 12:9

tearfund

Date: Saturday 15th November, Time: 7pm, Venue: Christ Church

Come and join a fun evening supporting the work of Tearfund...

The quiz will include a broad range of topical questions. Halfway through the evening, drinks and puddings will be served.

Suggested donation of £5 per person.

A sign-up sheet will be available in both churches on Sunday. You can either sign-up as a team of four (or five), or sign-up as an individual and join/form a team later.

For more details speak to Chris Cole or Emma in the Office.

