

# Connected

Sunday 12th June 2022

Trinity Sunday

## Sermon Snippets

John 11: 1, 17-44

Recently someone said to me, "Jesus died on Good Friday, right? And came back to life on Easter Sunday? What I want to know is, when did he die again?"

We often hear people talk about Jesus "coming back to life again", when the truth is Jesus is resurrected, transformed into a new being. Death is overcome for good. Destroyed forever.

In our Bible reading today we reflect on the account of Martha and Mary grieving the death of their brother Lazarus. When Jesus finally arrives he weeps - for Lazarus, for Mary and Martha, weeping for his own death that is to come. He weeps at injustice, weeps because we are so slow to understand and believe the Good News.



Jesus says, "I am the resurrection and the life", and calls Lazarus back from death and out of the tomb. Lazarus was resuscitated and unchanged, the same man and brother he had always been. Jesus is resurrected, transformed into a new being.

For Lazarus, death is put on hold; he will one day become ill again, one day he will die. But Jesus will make the journey through death and out the other side into a new life.

The raising of Lazarus is a foretaste of the hope that is offered to each one of us through the death and resurrection of Jesus.

## Daily Prayers

We're starting a new series in Daily Prayers (on our website or Facebook) on Joseph. He was his Dad's favourite and his Dad, Jacob, gave Joseph this wonderful coat. But Joseph hardly helped the situation by wearing it all the time and annoying his brothers. I love the story of Joseph because it tells of a very imperfect man who fell to many misfortunes. But he trusted in God and God brought about the most marvellous end to Joseph's life story. Have you sometimes felt in the wrong place at the wrong time? If so, you're in good company with Joseph! Do join me as we follow the story together.

Tom



## Pastoral Principles for living well together

From time to time the Church of England has difficult issues to face and this would be true of our present time where the issue of human sexuality is being debated...

The "Pastoral Principles" course Larissa and I are leading will concentrate on how we should discuss these issues (e.g. examining any of our own prejudices).

We'll meet 5pm-6:30pm in Christ Church to do this five-week course starting with tea and cake beginning 26th June.

Do sign up on the list in our churches if you'd like to give this a try.

Tom

## Verse For The Week

"Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?'"

*John 11: 25*

## Prayer Pointers

We pray for our Sunday evening service of wholeness and healing - that we will feel the hand of the Lord with us in body, mind and spirit.

We pray for Tom & Chris away on holiday - that it will be a truly refreshing time for them, and pray for their family back home.

We pray for the young people in the midst of their A levels, and for the staff who have been teaching them.

Tearfund ask us to pray for Haiti where gang warfare has recently broken out and many killed. Pray for their staff as they support Christians and train leaders in conflict resolution.

We pray for Larissa, her husband Robert, and their family as Larissa prepares to be priested on June 25th in Bath Abbey.

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## What's On This Week

### Sunday 12th June

Families Together at 3pm at Christ Church  
*(it would be helpful if you could let Nicky know if you are planning to attend the above event)*  
Deaf Church at 3pm at Emmanuel  
Healing & Wholeness Service at 6pm at Christ Church

### Monday 13th June

Ladies Together at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre

### Tuesday 14th June

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

### Wednesday 15th June

Seedlings Toddler Group at 10:15am at Christ Church  
*(please note that this event is currently full)*

### Thursday 16th June

Welcome Group at 2:30pm at Emmanuel  
Craft & Chat at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre  
JaM Club at 3:30pm at Christ Church  
*(pre-registration is required for the above event)*

## Notices

### *Tom & Chris on Holiday*

Please note that Tom & Chris are on holiday from Tuesday 7th June til Tuesday 21st June inclusive.

### *Larissa Away*

Please note that Larissa will be on holiday/retreat from Tuesday 14th June til Friday 24th June inclusive.

### SERVICE OF HEALING & WHOLENESS

Please join us for our evening service at 6pm on Sunday 12th June

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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.

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# Coffee after the Service...

## LARISSA'S PRIESTING

Larissa is due to be ordained as a priest at 10:30am Saturday 25th June in Bath Abbey.



All are very welcome to attend.

She will be welcomed by the Emmanuel Church Family at 4pm on that Saturday and then at Christ Church after the morning service where she will be taking the Holy Communion service (both welcomes will involve cake!).

We are raising money to buy her a "Home Communion Set"; if you would like to give please do this via the website (under "Church Life") or bring a donation to Church / Church Office.

Thank you to everyone at Christ Church for the prayers and wonderful love shown to Gerald and myself following the death of our son Jeremy. It really has been overwhelming and has done so much to give us peace and understanding.  
God bless,  
Brenda

SAVE THE DATE – OUR NEXT 'CHURCH WEEKEND AT HOME' WILL BE OCTOBER 21ST-23RD



Present Roger Jones Revised Muical



## SAINTS ALIVE!

A Pentecostal Musical  
Revisited and Expanded for its 40th Anniversary

and in Celebration of Mary and Roger's  
Golden Wedding Anniversary

Saturday 9th July 2022  
World Premiere Musical-In-a-Day



SEE MAIN CHURCH NOTICE BOARD FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

**Christ Church Pre-School Places Available**  
Contact Sarah Quick if you yourself are interested or know of someone who might be:

A surprise announcement informed us that Hilary Emery had been named as a Platinum Champion by the Duchess of Cornwall for her long history of voluntary support of Weston's Hospice. Well done, Hilary!

CHRIST CHURCH PRE SCHOOL

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FUNDED AND NON FUNDED PLACES FOR CHILDREN AGED 2 TO 4 YEARS OLD

OPENING HOURS - TERM TIME ONLY  
 MONDAY 9AM - 3:30PM  
 TUESDAY 9AM - 3:30PM  
 WEDNESDAY 9AM - 3:30PM  
 THURSDAY 9AM - 3:30PM  
 FRIDAY 9AM - 12NOON

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VISIT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE TO SEE JUST A SMALL SELECTION OF THE ACTIVITIES THAT ARE AVAILABE OR PHONE TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT FOR A VISIT

PHONE: 07720488967 FACEBOOK: christchurchpreschoolwsm  
 ADDRESS: THE SPIRE CENTRE, MONTEPLIER, WESTON-S-MARE, BS23 2RH

## Old Ink Cartridges

Do you have old ink cartridges you would like to recycle? The charity 'Poverty Child' will take old cartridges & recycle them. Click below for further information:

<https://povertychild.org/donate-your-old-stuff/old-inkjet-cartridges/>

# A little more Jubilee!

As part of our celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, Christ Church hosted over 100 members from our two churches at a Gala Dinner. The church was filled with beautifully laid tables and decked in red, white and blue. Between courses we were entertained by Angeline's very professional music group with sounds from the 50s.



"We had a fabulous evening thanks to a hard working team of cooks, servers, musicians and clearers-up. Thank you."

"The Gala Dinner was fabulous - so much talent - in performing, cooking, serving, etc. Really lovely!"



"Thank you to you and the Team for organising such a lovely family event at the weekend! We all had a wonderful time :-)."

"I had lots of fun at the Queen's party with my friends. My favourite thing was all the cake!"



"Thank you for having Florence and I. Was such a lovely afternoon ♡ ."



Keith & Mary would like to say a big "thank you" to all who contributed to make the jubilee lunch such a success. It was lovely to see so many enjoying themselves. & a big thank you to all concerned who worked so hard.



A wonderful lunch was laid out in our church hall for all the Emmanuel Church family with some friends from Christ Church to enjoy after an inspiring Jubilee Celebration morning service.

It was our intention to have our service and picnic outside on the lawn but the weather dictated otherwise! Everyone enjoyed a great time of fellowship and happy conversation - with grateful thanks to all who provided the lovely food.

