

Christ Church Higher Bebington



Sunday 6th May 2018

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sidespeople today: Barbara Mayers, David Evans, Diane Shaw, Terry Cunningham.

Next Week: Michael Blackburn, Linda White, John Boisson, Gail Boisson.

This morning Ted Jones (Lay Reader) will preach at our Parish Communion service.
Weekly sermons are available on the church website: christchurchbeb.org.uk

HYMNS

<i>Processional</i>	426
<i>Gradual</i>	437
<i>Offertory</i>	321
<i>Communion 1</i>	4
<i>Communion 2</i>	186
<i>Recessional</i>	372

Prayer for the week

Risen Christ,
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

Boulders will meet in the
Storeton Room during the
10am service today.

Ascension Day Service
Thursday 10th May
at 7.30pm



Sung Evensong
13th May 6.30pm

Thoughts for the week

Do you want me to tell you something really
subversive? Love is everything it's cracked up to
be. That's why people are so cynical about it. It
really is worth fighting for, being brave for, risking
everything for. And the trouble is, if you don't risk
everything, you risk even more.

Erica Jong

Now I see that there is no such thing as love
unreturn'd. The pay is certain, one way or another.

Walt Whitman

Love means to love that which is unlovable; or it is
no virtue at all.

G. K. Chesterton

Organ Appeal - Our fundraising has started very well, but we still need to raise a
considerable amount if we are to reach our target of £90,000. Thank you to all who have
returned the pledge forms and we'd be very grateful if all remaining forms could be
returned by the end of May. If you haven't received a pledge form and information about
the Organ Appeal, please do pick up a leaflet from the back of church.

The first reading is from Acts 10: 44-end.

While Peter was speaking, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles. For they heard them speaking in tongues and praising God.

Then Peter said, “Can anyone keep these people from being baptised with water? They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have.” So he ordered that they be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked Peter to stay with them for a few days. This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (15: 9-17).

Glory to you O Lord.

Jesus said: “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father’s commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no-one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit – fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. This is my command: Love each other.”

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Thy Kingdom Come

special Global prayer initiative from Ascension to Pentecost

Sun.	May 13 th	6.30 pm	Evensong
Mon.	May 14 th	9 .00 am	Morning prayer
Tues.	May 15 th	8.15 pm	Night Prayer
Wed.	May 16 th	10.30 pm	Holy Communion
Thurs.	May 17 th	12.30 pm	Mid-day Prayer
Fri.	May 18 th	12.00 noon	Mid-day Prayer
Sat.	May 19 th	9.30 am	Christian Aid breakfast begins with The Lord’s Prayer

Prayer booklets available from the office or downloadable from

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/prayerresources>





Film Morning on **Tuesday 8th May 10.30am** will be showing "Victoria & Abdul" in the Kings Hall.
£3.50 donation including unlimited light refreshments.



**Wednesday 9th May
9.30-11.45am**

Connect Café in the Kings Hall.
All are very welcome.



**Wednesday 9th May
1.30pm**

Oasis Mental Health Support Group in Troughton Room.
All are very welcome.



'Not Quite a Reading Group' **Thursday 10th May**
2.00 - 3.30pm in Storeton Room.



**Thursday 10th May
7.45pm**

Mothers' Union will meet
in the Kings Hall.
All are very welcome.

Thursday 10th May
Thirsty Thursday in the Traveller's Rest **9pm**
All are welcome.



CARPET BOWLING

Indoor bowling in the Centre will be starting on **May 11th** from 10am-1pm. We have 2 mats and several sets of bowls for people to borrow. Mike would love to hear from anyone who would be willing to serve tea and coffee between 11am-12pm and/or be able to bake a cake.
All ages/abilities are very welcome.

Art Club Friday 11th May 2.00pm-4.00pm



Mothers' Union Deanery Festival at St. Michael's, Pensby
on **Friday 11th May at 7pm**

EUROVISION FUN NIGHT (ROSE QUEEN FUNDRAISER)

Jennifer's final event will be held on **Saturday 12th May 7-9pm.**
Enjoy some Eurovision Fun! Quizzes, Music, Desserts and Fancy Dress for those that want to! (contest will be shown in full for those who wish to stay and watch).

Tickets available after the service or from the Parish Office:
£3 Adults and £2 Children.



There will be an opportunity to see a short DVD of the Pilgrimage to the Holy Land on **Sunday 13th May 3.15pm.** Tickets £5 will include a cream tea and will be available from Jill Wright or the Parish Office.



Men's Supper Club: Venue for the next Supper Club on **Tuesday 22nd May** is **The Manor** at Greasby. Table booked for 8pm. Meet 7.15pm in church car park. Let me know if you wish to go. John Theobald 0151 645 1083



Christian Aid week this year is May 13th – May 20th. We will be holding a Christian Aid BIG BREAKFAST on **Saturday 19th May from 9:30 am**. This is also the day of the Royal Wedding, so hopefully if technology allows, this can be on in the background. There will be bacon butties and eggs on toast along with a few healthy options as well. Please come along and support this very worthwhile charity and start your day with good food, good company and a smile! All are very welcome. Any offers of food donations or raffle prizes are also very welcome. Please see Diane or Gary Shaw for more details.

The Summer Fair will be on **Saturday 23rd June** from **2.00pm-5.00pm**. Donations of screw top wine bottles both full and empty will be greatly appreciated.

The Leprosy Mission have sent a thank you note to say that in 2017 stamp and postcard sales raised £55600. Thank you to all who have been putting stamps in the box at the back of Church, this money will make a huge difference to people in difficult situations. Fiona Murphy x

REVISED ELECTORAL ROLL: The booklet containing the newly revised Church electoral roll for 2018 is available for viewing. It is in the red box on the table at the back of the Church. Anyone wishing to add their name to the electoral roll, please complete a form from the red box.

Anyone interested in being a part of a prayer group to regularly meet and pray for the needs of our parish and the wider world please speak with



If you wish to join a housegroup this term please do sign the sheet at the back of church. See group leaders for topics and start dates.

Funerals next week:

Wed. 9th May	11.00am	Jane Freeman	Centre Chapel
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Anniversaries:

Sidney Davies, Ted Taylor, Emily Birch, Margaret Faith Stimson, Allan Alsbury, Frank Williams, Sally Martin.

Prayer List: Sharon Beecham, Ann Bisbrown-Lee, George Bond, Yvonne Cranny, Elsa Dowling, Nora Duncan, Denise Foster, Sylvia Haswell, Simon Hayes, Pam Hollinshead, Lyndsey Howard, Richard Kelly, Kathleen Mary Malcolm, Wendy Martin, Brenda McGrattan, Lorraine Petropoulou, Rita Quine, Jeffrey Robinson, Sheila Rogers, Joanne Russell, John Russell, Ina Shorrocks, Janet Shorrocks, Sam Smith, Ann Tait, Keira Taylor, Judy Tomlin, Jackie Turner, Keelin Turner, Whittaker Family, Cara Elise.

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