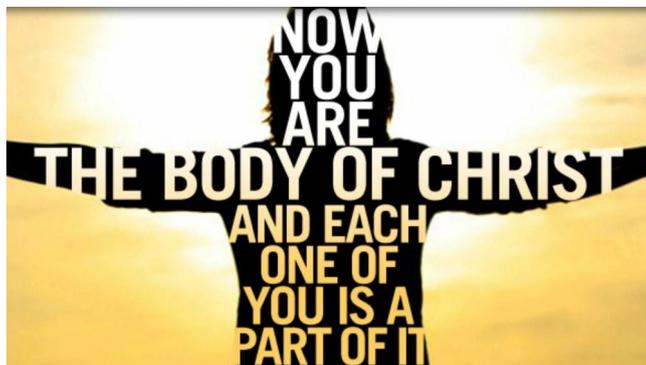


Christ Church Higher Bebington



Sunday 10th February 2019

4th Sunday before Lent

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

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

This morning Ian Millington will lead our 10am All Age worship service.
Weekly sermons are available on the church website: christchurchbeb.org.uk

Hymns will be on the screen this morning.

Sung Evensong
Tonight at 6.30pm

Thanksgiving envelopes - for the next couple of weeks we will be thinking about the resources God has entrusted us with and how we might use them in responding to Jesus' command to "love God and love each other". As part of this, we will again be thinking about what it means to "Give in Grace" and we'd like everyone to collect an envelope from the Centre foyer containing further information on how we might understand this. Many thanks.

Work to remove the Leylandii trees from the churchyard has now been completed and landscaping of the new space has begun. Any donations for new trees would be warmly received!

Prayer for the week:

Lord of the hosts of heaven,
our salvation and our strength,
without you we are lost:
guard us from all that harms or hurts
and raise us when we fall;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Thoughts for the week:

"There is no such thing as an independent Christian."
Rosaria Butterfield

"Our conduct is an advertisement for or against Jesus Christ. That's why unity in the body of Christ is so important."
Elizabeth George

"Give other Christians permission to be different from you. You're not the only Christ-follower in the world, and neither are you the most committed. Your way of loving Jesus is neither the only way for the best. If you don't know that, your Christian world is way too small."
Will Davis Jr.

Standing Committee Meeting
Tuesday 12th February 2pm
in the Vicarage

The first reading is from Romans 12: 4-8.

For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (5: 1-11) NIV

Glory to you, O Lord.

One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding round him and listening to the word of God. He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.'

Simon answered, 'Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

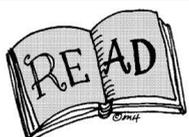
When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, 'Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!' For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners.

Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.' So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Monday 11th February 9am Start the Week with Morning Prayer.



The Happy Reading Group will be meeting in the Storeton Room
on **Monday 11th February at 2.15pm.**
New members are most welcome.

Film Morning will be showing "Doctor at Large" on **Tuesday 12th February** at **10.30am** in the Kings Hall. £3.50 donation including unlimited light refreshments.



Tuesday 12th February
at **6.30pm.**



Pause & Pray in church

Tuesday 12th February 7.30pm
Men's Group
at 27 Mount Road.

There will be a Centre Tidy on Wednesday 13th February from 1.00pm. Anyone willing to come along and help return items to their appropriate 'homes' and begin to clear the Woodhey Room to enable it to be used as a work space, please do come along.



Wednesday 13th February
10.00am-12.00noon

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



Wednesday 13th
February 1.30pm

Oasis Mental Health Support
Group in Troughton Room.

Ministry Team Meeting Wednesday 13th February at 6.00pm.

Thursday 14th February 1.30pm
Mothers' Union in the Kings Hall
with guest speaker Alan Jackson.

Thirsty Thursday in the Travellers
Rest, Mount Road from **9pm** on
Thursday 14th February.

Friday 15th February 7.00pm Boulders' Social in Kings Hall.

Love at the Musicals Saturday 16th February 7.30pm



An evening of musical theatre favourites from
Birkenhead Operatic Society. Adults £10 under 18s £5
tickets available from Ian Millington 334 8560 or the
Parish Office. All proceeds to the Organ Restoration Fund.

The next Men's Supper Club will be a fish & chip supper in the Troughton Room on **Wednesday 20th February at 7.30pm.** Please let John Theobald know if you would like to come. (645 1083). All are welcome.



Ladies Night at the Acorn Friday 22nd February 7.00pm. All welcome!

June Fogg recently visited one of the local nursing homes to discover that some residents who do not have family living locally often run out of basic toiletries. Anyone willing to donate items, please leave them in the box marked Acorn House in the church foyer or pass them to June. Many thanks.

Thank you for all your support, time, donations and prayers for Arklight. Monday evening and Tuesday morning were real answers to prayer. Four very appreciative, open and lovely guests and every helper humbled and blessed through their involvement. If you want to be involved in any way in the next 5 weeks please see Sarah Loach or Rev. Eunice.



The Foodbank has sent through a list of items that they urgently need which includes sponge puddings, fruit squash, tinned potatoes, toothbrushes, tinned tomatoes, sugar, shampoo, UHT milk, toothpaste and tinned fruit.

Once every six years the preparation of new church electoral rolls takes place, which means that everyone has to come off the roll and re-apply. Therefore all persons who wish to have their names entered on the new roll, whether their names are entered on the present roll or not, are requested to apply for enrolment no later than **SUNDAY 24TH MARCH 2019**. Forms have been circulated and are also available at the back of the Church. Please can you complete the application for enrolment form and either place in the box at the back of the Church or alternatively pass into the Parish Office. Any queries please speak to Lynn Ion, Electoral Roll Officer.

To all at Christ Church, thank you so much for your generous leaving gifts and all your good wishes on my retirement.

Love and best wishes to you all, Judith Nederlof.

Anniversaries: Robert Winstanley, Ken Riding. Hilda Heatherington, Robbie Richardson, Sybil Carberry, John Ambrose Thomas, Tom Wood, Fay Davies, Christopher Wort, Eric Williams, Wilfred Wallace Chapman, Bill Taylor, John Agnew, Bill Thomas, Janet Silcock.

Prayer List: Chris Abbott, Sharon Beecham, Ann Bisbrown-Lee, George Bond, Roger Bunn, Yvonne Cranny, Elsa Dowling, Nora Duncan, Denise Foster, Cara Elise Hartt, Sylvia Haswell, Simon Hayes, Pam Hollinshead, Lyndsey Howard, Anne Jones, Ted Jones, Richard Kelly, Kathleen Mary Malcolm, Wendy Martin, Brenda McGrattan, Heather Millington, Caroline Murphy, Eunice Pass, Lorraine Petropoulou, Rita Quine, Sheila Rogers, Joanne Russell, John Russell, Lynn Scott, Ina Shorrocks, Janet Shorrocks, Sam Smith, Ann Tait, Keira Taylor, Roisin Terris, Jean Thelwell, Jackie Turner, Keelin Turner, Whittaker Family.

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