

Christ Church Higher Bebington



Sunday 21st July 2019

Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Sidespeople: Fiona Murphy, Rhona Snelson, Heather Whitehead, Liz Bird.

Next week: Barbara Mayers, David Evans, Diane Shaw, Terry Cunningham.

This morning our Ordinand George Roach will preach at our 10am Parish Communion. Weekly sermons are available on the church website: christchurchbeb.org.uk

HYMNS

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| <i>Processional</i> | 17 |
| <i>Gradual</i> | 73 |
| <i>Offertory</i> | sheet |
| <i>Communion 1</i> | <i>Philip</i> |
| <i>Communion 2</i> | <i>to play</i> |
| <i>Recessional</i> | 31 |

Prayer for the week:

Almighty God,
send down upon your Church
the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the gospel
your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Thoughts for the week:

“To maintain a joyful family requires much from both the parents and the children. Each member of the family has to become, in a special way, the servant of the others.”
Pope John Paul II

“He who is not a good servant will not be a good master.”
Plato

Afternoon Tea Concert
Sunday 21st July 3.00pm
in church.

Tickets £10, students £5.
In aid of the organ
restoration fund.

Sunday 28th July
6.30pm
Fellowship Service

Next Sunday, Dave Cooke will speak at our Service of the Word at 10am. Dave is the founder of Teams4U who operate around the world changing the lives of deprived children, and their communities, through supporting education and healthcare, providing aid and delivering shoeboxes of small gifts and essential supplies.

The first reading is from Genesis 18:1-10.

The Three Visitors

The Lord appeared to Abraham near the great trees of Mamre while he was sitting at the entrance to his tent in the heat of the day. Abraham looked up and saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he hurried from the entrance of his tent to meet them and bowed low to the ground.

He said, "If I have found favour in your eyes, my lord, do not pass your servant by. Let a little water be brought, and then you may all wash your feet and rest under this tree. Let me get you something to eat, so you can be refreshed and then go on your way—now that you have come to your servant."

"Very well," they answered, "do as you say."

So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah. "Quick," he said, "get three seahs of the finest flour and knead it and bake some bread."

Then he ran to the herd and selected a choice, tender calf and gave it to a servant, who hurried to prepare it. He then brought some curds and milk and the calf that had been prepared, and set these before them. While they ate, he stood near them under a tree.

"Where is your wife Sarah?" they asked him.

"There, in the tent," he said.

Then one of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son."

Now Sarah was listening at the entrance to the tent, which was behind him.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (10:38-42).

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the Home of Martha and Mary

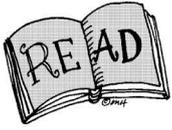
As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"

"Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Monday 22nd July 9am Start the Week with Prayer



Monday 22nd July at 2.15pm.

Happy Reading Group will be meeting in the Troughton Room.
New members are most welcome.

Beb Shed: now open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Friday mornings
10 am to 1 pm. For more information, please speak to
Terry Cunningham or Alan Jackson.

Tuesday 23rd July 6.30pm Pause and Pray

The next Men's Supper Club will be on **Tuesday 23rd July** at
Noya Mediterranean Restaurant, Ford Road. A table has
been booked for 7.30pm. Please contact John Theobald
(645 1083) if you are interested in coming.



Connect Café in the Kings Hall. All are very welcome.
Wednesday 24th July 10.00am - 12.00 noon
Connect Café will continue to meet throughout August.



Wednesday 24th July 10.30am Holy Communion in church.

Interfaith Football **every Friday from 8.45pm** at Tranmere Rovers Football Club.

ECO PLEDGE: Use your voice! We are the first generation to know we're
destroying the world, and we could be the last that can do anything about it.
Speaking up to the right people is powerful. Contact our local M.P. find out
what she is doing for the environment and ask her to commit to action to
protect our natural world. (alison.mcgovern.mp@parliament.uk). Find out about
the brands you buy, use social media, talk to friends, teachers, neighbours,
colleagues and get them to make positive changes too (www.wwf.org.uk).
If YOU have an eco-pledge which hasn't yet been covered in the Newsletter,
contact the office and we'll include it.

Many thanks to Mike Whitehead for his wonderful leadership of
our church art group that has been meeting every other week in
the Centre for past couple of years and has been a real blessing to
many. Mike is in need of a well earned break and we'd love to hear from
anyone who is willing to help organise the group after the summer holidays.
Please do speak with Mike or Revd. Mike for more details.



Every Sunday during August, there will be a Parish Communion service at **10am**. The sermons will follow a series learning more about Ruth. Sunday Club will meet during the holidays at **10am**, enjoying outdoor activities when the weather allows. Anyone willing to help support these activities, please let Krista Robinson know.

Jill Wright is collecting spare backpacks – medium size – to be donated to the charity Mary's Meals.

A message from June and Derek Fogg:

Thank you to Reverend Mike, Sarah, Reverend Eunice, Phillip, Ted, and so many in our wonderful church family for making our special day EXTRA SPECIAL.



Congratulations to Margaret & John Theobald who celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary this week.

Please continue to support Holly and David in your prayers as they start their married life together following their wedding yesterday.



Funeral this week:

Wednesday 24th 1.30pm

Kevin Victor Rees

Christ Church

The funeral service of Margaret Bowers (wife of Canon John Bowers) will take place at Caldy Church on Thursday 25th July at 11am.

Anniversaries: Geoff Radley, Win Leybourne, David Collins, Joanna Hickson, Peter Dobbing, Keith Stone, Kitty Albiston, Lynn Bowden, Gary Biggs, Jay Short.

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

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