

# Christ Church Higher Bebington



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**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

**Sixth Sunday after Trinity**

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

**Next week:** Michael Blackburn, Linda White, Alan Jackson, Liz Drummond.

This morning Rev Mike Loach will preach at our 10am Service of the Word.  
Weekly sermons are available on the church website: [christchurchbeb.org.uk](http://christchurchbeb.org.uk)

We welcome Dave Cooke to our Service of the Word. Dave is the founder of Teams4U who operate around the world changing the lives of deprived children and their communities. He will be sharing with us about some of the projects Teams4U are involved in.

<u>HYMNS</u>	
Hymn 1	354
Hymn 2	167
Hymn 3	328
Hymn 4	186

Prayer for the week:

**Creator God,  
you made us all in your image:  
may we discern you in all that we see,  
and serve you in all that we do;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

**Tonight 6.30pm  
Fellowship Service**

Many thanks to everyone who came and everyone who helped in any way to make a wonderful afternoon concert and strawberry cream afternoon tea a great success. Over £1100 for the Organ Fund. Many thanks to everyone involved.

Thoughts for the week:

"You can only apprehend the Infinite by a faculty that is superior to reason." *Plotinus*

"Grace is available for each of us every day - our spiritual daily bread - but we've got to remember to ask for it with a grateful heart and not worry about whether there will be enough for tomorrow." *Sarah Ban Breathnach*

"Grace is an energy; not a mere sentiment; not a mere thought of the Almighty; not even a word of the Almighty. It is as real an energy as the energy of electricity. It is a divine energy; it is the energy of the divine affection rolling in plenteousness toward the shores of human need." *Benjamin Jowett*

The first reading is from Colossians 2: 6-15 (CEV)  
You have accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord. Now keep on following him. Plant your roots in Christ and let him be the foundation for your life. Be strong in your faith, just as you were taught. And be grateful. Don't let anyone fool you by using senseless arguments. These arguments may sound wise, but they are only human teachings. They come from the powers of this world and not from Christ.  
God lives fully in Christ. And you are fully grown because you belong to Christ, who is over every power and authority. Christ has also taken away your selfish desires, just as circumcision removes flesh from the body. And when you were baptized, it was the same as being buried with Christ. Then you were raised to life because you had faith in the power of God, who raised Christ from death. You were dead, because you were sinful and were not God's people. But God let Christ make you alive, when he forgave all our sins.  
God wiped out the charges that were against us for disobeying the Law of Moses. He took them away and nailed them to the cross. There Christ defeated all powers and forces. He let the whole world see them being led away as prisoners when he celebrated his victory.  
This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July 9am Start the Week with Prayer**



**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 30<sup>th</sup> July 6.30pm Pause and Pray**



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

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July 10.00am - 12.00 noon**

Connect Café will continue to meet throughout August.



**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July 10.30am Holy Communion in church.**

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August 12.30pm**

Befrienders' Lunch in the Troughton Room

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



Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (11:1-13) (NRSV)

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.” He said to them, “When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.”

And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

“So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

This is the gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**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.

**ECO PLEDGE:** Freegle is a UK organisation that aims to increase reuse and reduce landfill by offering a free Internet based service where people can give away and ask for things that would otherwise be thrown away. There is a Wirral group where people will collect your unwanted items and you can browse what’s on offer. Don’t throw it away – give it away! If you want any more information about how it works, talk to Julie in the office, who is a big fan of Freegle. ([www.ilovefreegle.org](http://www.ilovefreegle.org))

After church during coffee Helen Young is selling Raffle tickets to win a home-made lemon cake every month for a year and the prize also includes a one off food hamper and cook book. £1.00 a ticket. All proceeds towards LimbPower charity in support of her friend Tracy (who is an amputee) as Tracy is trekking up Kilimanjaro in October to support this wonderful Charity.

The Bishop of Chester will be retiring in September after over 22 years in post. We'd like to send a gift on behalf of the parish and if anyone would like to contribute to this, there will be a collection after the service.

The funeral service of Margaret Bowers took place last Thursday. If anyone would like to make a donation in her memory, there will be a collection after this service. This will be given to one of the charities that Canon John Bowers supports.

There are some rooms still available for the Parish Weekend Away to St Asaph on **September 27-29** if anyone is interested. Please contact the parish office for more information.



Congratulations to Liz & Tony Bird who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary last week.

**Funeral this week:**

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>      2.30pm      William Edge      Christ Church

**Funeral last week:** Kevin Victor Rees.

**Anniversaries:** Thelma Cannell, Bridget McFadden, Barbara Hawney, Horace Thelwell, David Thomas Morgan, Brenda White, Eileen Ellis.

**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, 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, Sophie.

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