

Christ Church Higher Bebington

Sunday 1st September 2019

11th Sunday after Trinity

Sidespeople: Jill Loach, Graham Loach, Amanda Buckley, Mike Thorne

Next week: Maureen Lloyd, Jim Lloyd, Sheila Clarke, Bev Price.



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> | 361 |
| <i>Gradual</i> | 428 |
| <i>Offertory</i> | 148 |
| <i>Communion 1</i> | 90 |
| <i>Communion 2</i> | 54 |
| <i>Recessional</i> | 467 |

Prayer for the week:

**God of glory,
The end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking
your kingdom
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price
through our Saviour Jesus Christ
Amen**

Monday 2nd September

9.00am

Start the week with prayer

Tuesday 3rd September

6.30pm

Pause and Pray

Wednesday 4th September

10.30 am

Holy Communion

Thoughts for the week:

“Humility is not about thinking less of yourself but thinking of yourself less.”

C.S. Lewis.

“Pride makes us artificial and humility makes us real.”

Thomas Merton



TODAY 4pm Noisy Church - noise, Bible stories, activities, drinks and cakes for pre-school children and their parents and carers. All very welcome.

The first reading is from Jeremiah 2:4-13

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the clans of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord: "What wrong did your fathers find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthlessness, and became worthless?" They did not say, 'Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us In the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that none passes through, where no man dwells?' And I brought you into a plentiful land to enjoy its fruits and its good things. But when you came in, you defiled my land and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, 'Where is the Lord?' Those who handle the law did not know me; the shepherds transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal and went after things that do not profit. "Therefore I still contend with you," declares the Lord, "and with your children's children I will contend." For cross to the coasts of Cyprus and see, or send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? "But my people have changed their glory for that which does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this; be shocked, be utterly desolate," declares the Lord, "or my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water."

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (16:16-24)

Glory to you, O Lord.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honour at the table, he told them this parable: 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honour, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, "Give this person your seat." Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, "Friend, move up to a better place." Then you will be honoured in the presence of all the other guests. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.' Then Jesus said to his host, 'When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbours; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Building and Finance Committee meeting - Monday 2nd September 7.30pm
in the Storeton Room.



Ladies in Stitches will meet Tuesday 3rd September at 10.00am in
the Kings Hall. All welcome



Tuesday 3rd September, 1.00pm and 7.30pm - Storeton
Room. Eco Church Committee. Anyone interested in joining
will be more than welcome.

Tuesday 3rd September 7.30pm
Men's Group at 25 Regents Way.

Wednesday 4th September 7.30pm
PCC Meeting in the Troughton Room.

Wednesday 4th September 10.00am
Connect Café - all are welcome



Thursday 5th September 12.30pm - Befrienders' Lunch.
An informal get together for any recently bereaved.



Saturday 7th September - Rose Queen Beetle Drive. Doors
open 5.30, first game 6.00pm. Tickets: £3 adults, £2 under
16's from the Parish Office. In aid of Alder Hey Hospital.

All Age Worship with Organ Dedication Service

Sunday September 8th, 10am



Service of the Word, Sunday 15th September 10am. We will be celebrating
50 years of women in Reader ministry. **Donations of cakes** to go with our
refreshments after the Service would be most appreciated.



Teddy Bears' picnic! Sunday 22nd September 3 pm.

An opportunity to get to know other families with pre-school
children - in the garden, if sunny, otherwise in the Kings Hall.
All teddies invited - must be accompanied by their owners!



Alpha - Explore more. 'Life. Faith. Meaning'.
Starting on **Thursday September 19th, 7pm**, for 10 weeks.
Discover, discuss and debate what the Christian Faith is all about.
Contact Mike or Eunice if you are interested.

There are some rooms still available for the Parish Weekend Away on **September 27-29**. Please contact Tracy or the parish office for more information.

Harvest Supper will be **Saturday, 5th October**. Fun food and barn dancing!
Details to follow. Tickets on sale from September 8th.

**Due to unforeseen circumstances the Tai Chi class will not now be running.
Apologies.**

Friends of Higher Bebington Park. Mike has somehow got himself involved as Chair of this group and would be delighted if any church members (or people known to you) would be willing to get involved. Our local Councillors are keen to hear ideas about how to improve this space and there is some money available! Please speak to Mike if you can help.

Funeral this week:

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| Tuesday 3rd | 11a.m. | George Robinson | Christ Church |
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Anniversaries:

Benjamin Jones, Christopher Hamilton, Brenda Dodd, Dorothy Emmas,
Brian Stewart, Bill Holcroft, Richard Gateland, Diana Heckle.

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, Will McElroy (aged 6), 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, Jonah (aged 7).

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