

Christ Church Higher Bebington



Sunday 18th August 2019

Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Sidespeople: Derek Fogg, June Fogg, John Theobald, Judith Renton

Next week: Jim Wallace, Janet Wallace, Gill Cook, John Champion

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

<u>HYMNS</u>	
<i>Processional</i>	321
<i>Gradual</i>	52
<i>Offertory</i>	553
<i>Recessional</i>	334

Prayer for the week:

Gracious Father,
revive your Church in our day,
and make her holy, strong and faithful,
for your glory's sake
In Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

'Listening to the Lord'

Meditation group
led by George

TODAY 4pm - 5pm

Kings Hall



Thought for the week:

'Through hard work, perseverance and a
faith in God, you can live your dreams.'
Ben Carson

Monday 19th August 9am
Start the Week with Prayer

Tuesday 20th August 6.30pm
Pause and Pray
All welcome

We are continuing our Sunday August series from the book of Ruth and will be having Holy Communion every week at 10 am. Sunday Club will meet today to enjoy outdoor activities weather allowing. Anyone willing to help with these activities during August, please let Krista Robinson know.

The first reading is from Ruth 3: 1-18

One day Ruth's mother-in-law Naomi said to her, 'My daughter, I must find a home for you, where you will be well provided for. Now Boaz, with whose women you have worked, is a relative of ours. Tonight he will be winnowing barley on the threshing-floor. Wash, put on perfume, and get dressed in your best clothes. Then go down to the threshing-floor, but don't let him know you are there until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, note the place where he is lying. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down. He will tell you what to do.

'I will do whatever you say,' Ruth answered.

So she went down to the threshing-floor and did everything her mother-in-law told her to do.

When Boaz had finished eating and drinking and was in good spirits, he went over to lie down at the far end of the grain pile. Ruth approached quietly, uncovered his feet and lay down. In the middle of the night something startled the man; he turned – and there was a woman lying at his feet!

'Who are you?' he asked.

'I am your servant Ruth,' she said. '

Spread the corner of your garment over me, since you are a guardian-redeemer of our family.' 'The LORD bless you, my daughter,' he replied.

'This kindness is greater than that which you showed earlier: you have not run after the younger men, whether rich or poor. And now, my daughter, don't be afraid. I will do for you all you ask. All the people of my town know that you are a woman of noble character. Although it is true that I am a guardian-redeemer of our family, there is another who is more closely related than I. Stay here for the night, and in the morning if he wants to do his duty as your guardian-redeemer, good; let him redeem you. But if he is not willing, as surely as the LORD lives I will do it. Lie here until morning.'

So she lay at his feet until morning, but got up before anyone could be recognised; and he said, 'No one must know that a woman came to the threshing-floor.' He also said, 'Bring me the shawl you are wearing and hold it out.' When she did so, he poured into it six measures of barley and placed the bundle on her. Then he went back to town.

When Ruth came to her mother-in-law, Naomi asked, 'How did it go, my daughter?' Then she told her everything Boaz had done for her and added, 'He gave me these six measures of barley, saying, "Don't go back to your mother-in-law empty-handed." Then Naomi said, 'Wait, my daughter, until you find out what happens. For the man will not rest until the matter is settled today.'

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

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 6: 25-34

Glory to you, O Lord.

‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?’

‘And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you – you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, “What shall we eat?” or “What shall we drink?” or “What shall we wear?” For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

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



Tuesday 20th August at 10.30am
Singing Café in Kings Hall. All welcome

Wednesday 21st August 10.30am Holy Communion in church.



Wednesday 21st August 10.00am
Connect coffee - all welcome.

Wednesday 21st August 1.30pm
Knit & Natter in the Kings Hall. All are very welcome.



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.



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

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!

Picnic provided.



Tai Chi Induction Class! Weekly, beginning on **Monday September 2nd**, 1pm till 2pm. 'Add years to your life and life to your years'. Free induction class and £5 per session thereafter.

3Ls Tasty Cooking for all - starting Friday September 20th, 10.30-12.30am. There are three spaces left which need to be filled for the 10 week course to run. For further information and costs phone 645 0066.



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.

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



Harvest Supper will be **Saturday, 5th October**. Get the date in your diary and your dancing shoes on!

Details to follow. Tickets on sale 1st September.

Please pray for Lizzie and Jack who will be married here on Saturday 24th August.



Anniversaries:

Margaret Nelson, Edward Abbott, Nora Evans, William Lungley, Ivor Hughes, Jack Theobald, Cora Evans, Frank Byrne, George Thwaites, Audrey Davies, Sid Bellis, Edwin Coker, Fred Caton, Vera Hughes, Danny Smith, Enid Toplis.

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, Jonah (aged 7).

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