

Christ Church Higher Bebington



Sunday 29th September 2019

15th Sunday after Trinity

Sidespeople: Michael Blackburn, Linda White, Alan Jackson, Lianne Drummond.

Next week: Tracy Evans, Matthew O'Connell, Rose Rogers, John Rogers.

This morning, we welcome Rev. Dave Chester who will preach & preside at our 10am Parish Communion service and we pray for our brothers and sisters away in St Asaph for the Parish Weekend. Weekly sermons are available on the church website.

HYMNS

<i>Processional</i>	15
<i>Gradual</i>	466
<i>Offertory</i>	478
<i>Communion 1</i>	<i>Philip</i>
<i>Communion 2</i>	<i>to play</i>
<i>Recessional</i>	30

Prayer for the week:

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Thoughts for the week:

"By far the most dangerous foe we have to fight is apathy - indifference from whatever cause, not from a lack of knowledge, but from carelessness, from absorption in other pursuits, from a contempt bred of self satisfaction" *William Osler*

"We often think of great faith as something that happens spontaneously so that we can be used for a miracle or healing. However, the greatest faith of all, and the most effective, is to live day by day trusting Him. It is trusting Him so much that we look at every problem as an opportunity to see His work in our life." *Rick Joyner*



Saturday 5th October. Pie, peas and pud! Barn dancing to a live band. Doors open 6pm. Adults £8, 13-18 years old £5, 12 and under £3. Tickets in advance from the parish office or Vicky Midgley or Libby Potter. Proceeds to Charles Thompson Mission and church environmental projects.

Puddings needed please!

If you are able to make a pudding should sign up on the list at the back of church for the Harvest Supper, please speak to Vicky Midgley or Libby Potter.

The first reading is from 1 Timothy 6: 6-19. (NIVUK)

But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the sight of God, who gives life to everything, and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which God will bring about in his own time – God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honour and might for ever. Amen.

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Monday 30th September 9.00am Start the week with prayer

Monday 30th Sept. 9.30 - 11.15am

Toddler Group for pre-school aged children and their parents/carers.

Monday 30th Sept. 11.30am -

12.30pm Bumps and Babies for expectant mums and babies.



Tuesday 1st October

Ladies in Stitches will meet at **10am** in the Kings Hall.

All are very welcome.

Tuesday 1st October 10.00am
We will welcome Town Lane Infant School as they come to celebrate their Harvest Festival in church.

Tuesday 1st October 1.00pm and 7.30pm - Storeton Room.

Eco Church Committee. Do speak to Pam or Alan

Hollinshead for more information.

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CHURCH

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (16:19-31)

Glory to you, O Lord.

‘There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores and longing to eat what fell from the rich man’s table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.

‘The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. So he called to him, “Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.”

‘But Abraham replied, “Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.”

‘He answered, “Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family, for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.”

‘Abraham replied, “They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.”

“No, father Abraham,” he said, “but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.”

‘He said to him, “If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.””

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



Tuesday 1st October
6.30pm Pause & Pray

Tuesday 1st October 7.30pm
Men’s Group at 25 Regents Way.



Wednesday 2nd October
10.00am - 12.00 noon
Connect Café in the Kings Hall.
All are very welcome.



Wednesday 2nd October
1.30pm
Knit & Natter in the Kings Hall.
All are very welcome.

Thursday 3rd October 12.30pm in Troughton Room - Befrienders’ Lunch.
An informal get together for anyone recently bereaved. All are welcome.

Besom is running short of bed linen – sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers (single and double). If you have any pre-loved bedding, please contact Jill Loach (334 6077) or the Parish office. Many thanks.

Thursday 3rd October at 7 pm Alpha with the question: Why did Jesus die? Why not come and enjoy a meal and discussion together? Please feel free to come even if you missed last week.



We are also seeking people who are willing to cook (main or dessert), welcomers and tidy uppers!

Do let Mike or Eunice know if you would like to be involved.

Calling all cake bakers: following the 10am Harvest service, there will be a number of stalls selling local and homemade produce. If anyone is willing to bake cakes for a cake stall, please let Mike know.

Next Sunday at 10am our 10am All Age Harvest service will be lead by the Eco Church Team. Donations will be shared with Charles Thompson Mission and Forum Housing. This will be followed at 11.45am by Holy Communion.

Sunday 6th October 4pm Noisy Church for pre-school aged children and their families. All are very welcome.



'By Still Waters' Mini-retreats on the Psalms at Foxhill (near Frodsham) every month: **Monday 14th October will be led by Anne Samuels (Psalm 9) 10am-3pm (coffee from 9.30).** £23 including lunch and refreshments. To book, ring 01928 733777 or email Foxhill@chester.anglican.org More information at www.foxhillchester.co.uk

Please pray for Susan and Chris who will be married here on **Saturday 5th October.**



Anniversaries: Robert Evans, Reginald (Reg) Worthington, Brenda Wynne, Carl Michael Collier, Agnes May Jones, Dot Scott, William Lee-Gallon, Cyril Cliffe, Frances Roberts, John Fairbrother, May Scott, Florence Dabbs, Barbara Longhurst, Christopher Mann, Elsie Johnson, Florence Wynne, Walter Perry, Ronald Short.

Prayer List: Sharon Beecham, Ann Bisbrown-Lee, George Bond, Roger Bunn, Yvonne Cranny, Elsa Dowling, Nora Duncan, John Evans, Denise Foster, Mary Garland, 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 (age 6), Heather Millington, Caroline Murphy, Helen Nealy, Ian Pass, Lorraine Petropoulou, Rita Quine, Howard Rogers, Jenny Rome, Joanne Russell, John Russell, Ina Shorrock, Janet Shorrock, Barbara Smith, Ann Tait, Keira Taylor, Roisin Terris, Jean Thelwell, Jackie Turner, Keelin Turner, Malcolm Wheatley, Ron White, Whittaker Family, Sophie, Jonah (age 7)

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