

# Christ Church Higher Bebington



Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2024

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Sidespeople: Barbara Mayers & Diane Shaw

Next week: Terry Cunningham & Helen Young

**Welcome to Christ Church!** We are all one in the Spirit!

This morning Revd. Mike Loach will lead and Lay Reader, Helen Byrne, will preach at our 10.00am Parish Communion Service.

## HYMNS

- 33 Angel voices ever singing
- 111 Do not be afraid
- 167 God forgave my sin
- 15 All my hope on God is founded

## Prayer for the week

Creator God,  
you made the goodness of the land,  
the riches of the sea  
and the rhythm of the seasons;  
as we thank you for the harvest,  
may we cherish and respect  
this planet and its peoples,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Thoughts for the week:

Being guided by God is a bit like walking. If you stand on one leg at any one point you will probably fall over. But if you keep moving, over the course of time you'll make progress in the right direction.

*Milton Jones*

The gospel is good news for everyone. It is not good news just for people who are already good, for those who have all their ducks in a row. It is good news for the people who can't even find their ducks.

*Judah Smith*

For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son that whoever believes in Him shall have eternal life.

*John 3.16*

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 4.00pm:** A fun event with Bible stories and activities for children their siblings and parents/carers. Topic: "Moses"



*Thank  
you!*

Thank you for the generous Harvest donations to support the work of Forum Housing. The food hampers were delivered to one of the local housing projects and were very gratefully received by the residents.

The first reading is from Hebrews 1:1-6. 2:5-10 (NIVUK)

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe. The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.

*The Son superior to angels*

For to which of the angels did God ever say,

‘You are my Son; today I have become your Father’?

Or again, ‘I will be his Father, and he will be my Son’

*Jesus made fully human*

It is not to angels that he has subjected the world to come, about which we are speaking. But there is a place where someone has testified:

‘What is mankind that you are mindful of them,  
a son of man that you care for him?

You made them a little lower than the angels;  
you crowned them with glory and honour  
and put everything under their feet.’

In putting everything under them, God left nothing that is not subject to them. Yet at present we do not see everything subject to them. But we do see Jesus, who was made lower than the angels for a little while, now crowned with glory and honour because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered.

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

**Mothers' Union:** We will be collecting items for the Shoebox appeal again this year. Please bring any items you wish to donate to their **meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> October** or leave at the Parish Office. Many thanks.



**For boys or girls:** Toothbrush & toothpaste, hair accessories/brush, soap & face cloth, stationery & paper, gloves, hat & scarf, new socks/underwear, a soft toy, game, puzzle, small musical instruments, toy vehicles, small ball, sweets, a photo and message from yourself.

Further details can be found at <https://teams4u.com/shoebox-resources/>



There are a few seats still available for the outing to the **National Memorial Arboretum, Stoke on Trent on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October. The cost is £25 per head** for the coach and the land train tour. If you wish to buy tickets or have not yet paid for your place, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

(10: 2-16)(NIVUK)

Some Pharisees came and tested him by asking, 'Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?' 'What did Moses command you?' he replied. They said, 'Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away.'

'It was because your hearts were hard that Moses wrote you this law,' Jesus replied. 'But at the beginning of creation God "made them male and female". "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh." So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.'

When they were in the house again, the disciples asked Jesus about this. He answered, 'Anyone who divorces his wife and marries another woman commits adultery against her. And if she divorces her husband and marries another man, she commits adultery.'

*The little children and Jesus*

People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

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

**Oasis Wellbeing Support Group**  
**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 1.30pm**



Steve Flatt will be leading  
a discussion on  
'What is anxiety?'  
All are welcome.

**Besom:** Thanks to all who continue to support us by donating bedding, basic furniture items and kitchen essentials. There is a list of items needed in the porch and a box at the back of church for small items if you wish to donate.

**Time to Remember — Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October at 3.00pm**

You are warmly invited to a special service in which we remember loved ones and light a candle for them.



Tickets for the **Community Bonfire - Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** will go on general sale on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October from 9.30am. Adult £4 Child £2.

**Come and Sing Messiah** directed by Professor Ian Tracey.

Join us to explore the delights of Handel's Messiah with orchestral accompaniment on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November** at Christ Church.

Rehearsal 2.00pm - 5.00pm Performance 6.30pm

Cost for the day—£20. Please contact Judith Van Ingen,  
0151-334-1956/info@18thcentury.co.uk for more information.



## Regular Activities at Christ Church

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

**9.00am** Start the week with prayer 



**9.30am** Toddler Group

**1.30pm** Sit Fit

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October**



**10.30am** Happy Reading Group 

**10.30am** Welsh Café

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October**

**9.30am** Baby Group 

**10.00am** Connect Café

**10.30am** Holy Communion



**1.30pm** Garden Gang

**3.30pm** Lego Church



**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October**

**10.30am** Line Dancing 

**10.30am** Mothers' Union

**12.30pm** Prayers for Peace 

**1.30pm** Sit Fit

**2.00pm** Choir Practice



**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October**

**10.30am** Tai Chi

### Forthcoming Funerals:

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 11.00am Barbara Rowlands Gerrard Christ Church

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October 11.00am Carey Marsden Christ Church

**Anniversaries:** John Duckworth, Muriel Fraser-Smith, Shirley Roberts, Charles Brown, Colin Noel Hedderick, Kevin Hedderick, Harold Hopkins, Joe Knight, Brian Thornton, Eric Savage, Emma Williams, Bill Tharme, Robert Rodney Dodd, Edna Abbott, Joyce Rickards, Thelma Hunter.

**Prayer List:** Chris, Alan & Katie Abbott, Finley Armstrong, Sharon Beecham, Rob Bell, Ian Buckley, Eloise Cook, Sonia Croft, Julie Crosbie, John Henry & Edna Edwards, Deborah Ferguson, Derek Fogg, Geoff Hall, Pam Hollinshead, Kitty, Arthur & Louise Jones, Ted Jones, Finley Kay, Caroline Kirchin, Jim & Maureen Lloyd, Will McElroy, Geoff Newns, David Owen, Grahame Owen, Ben Parkinson, Dave Price, Joan Price, Rita Quine, Jenny Russell, John Russell, Kate Sharp, Jan Shorrocks, Yvonne Slerman, Audrey Smith, Barbara & Steve Smith, Theresa Smith, Roisin Terris, Amelia & Sue Trenbirth, Paddy Walsh, Gill & Terry Walters, Jane & Malcolm Wheatley, Linda & Ron White.

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