

WEEKLY NEWS

11TH DECEMBER

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT



Christ Church Ware
Jesus led, Spirit empowered, Grace based.

9.15 Morning Worship
11.00 Holy Communion
Reading: 1 Cor 13: 1-13
4.00pm Messy Church
7.00 pm SEVEN

If this is your first time with us, please do make yourself known to us after the service and stay for refreshments following our service as it gives us a chance to get to know you a little better.

If there is anyone who wants to begin or renew their relationship with Jesus, please do see one of the staff or the prayer ministry team.



Christmas at Christchurch

Carols by Candlelight – 18th December 6.30pm

Children's Christmas Eve Service 4.00pm

Christmas Eve Communion Service 11.00pm

Christmas Day Family Celebration 10.00am

1st January 2017 Family Service 10.00am

Christmas Messy Church Messy Church meets this Sunday, 11th December, from 4 to 6pm in the Church Centre. This will be our Christmas celebration. Why not come and join in the fun with craft activities, games, story time and food. You will find a warm welcome.

For Christmas

- Volunteers needed for Christmas services. Please let Martin know if you can help with:
Carols by Candlelight – 2 more welcomers
Christmas Eve 4pm – 2 welcomers, 2 refreshment helpers
Christmas Eve midnight – Sound engineer, 1 x communion server, 1 warden, 3 welcomers, 1 prayer, 2 readers.
Christmas Day – 3 communion helpers, 3 welcomers
New Years Day – 1 warden, 2 welcomers, 2 refreshments, 1 prayer.
- Fancy helping to decorate our Christmas trees? 2 pm Tuesday 13th December, please let office know if you can help
- Posters –volunteers to put these up around the town
- Mince pies for carol service

It's Hamper Time!

If you are able to, please could you collect together some items for the hampers for the CAP clients? Some ideas are:- Tinned soup, crisps, biscuits, mince pies, Christmas cake, Christmas pudding, chocolates, tea, coffee, hot chocolate, sugar, fruit juice, fizzy drinks, Christmas crackers, Wrapping paper, sellotape, gift tags, Gift sets of toiletries, hats or scarves, Gift vouchers for a meal, stocking fillers for children. Thank you for your support and generosity in blessing our clients.

Many thanks to all those who contributed items to sell to the craft stall at the Dickensian Evening and to those who bought the results. £360 was raised for the Church Development Fund. Ann Dawson

Ware Christmas Together – Christmas Day meal. Riverside Age Concern Hall, Priors Street Ware. Forms for guests and helpers are available at the back of church or ring 01920 420642 to book a place.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Coming in January: Transformed Lives

A course that aims to bring the reality of the cross into the everyday reality of our lives. It includes teaching, prayer for healing, covering topics such as listening to Christ, family roots, forgiveness and acceptance. Speakers Stuart and Marilyn Checkley. For further details see the leaflets in church.

Interchurch Quiz – 21 January

The Interchurch Quiz will take place at Leaside Hall on Saturday 21 January at 7p.m. Interested teams (6-8 people) should register with the Christ Church Office by phone (01920 487267) or email (office@christchurchware.co.uk). Cost per person is £10 and includes food.

Alpha Film series

Please do come and join us for our highly anticipated Film Alpha series. Bear Grills will lead us through a series of films enabling us to explore the meaning of life and Christianity. This will take place in the comfort of a home, with the inclusion of Popcorn! Do please come and join us. These evenings will begin on Tuesday 28th February. Please contact Rev Caz rolls for more details on

caroline@christchurchware.co.uk

God's work at Christ Church is funded entirely by our Church family. We encourage planned giving and do not "pass a plate". If you would like to make a gift to our ministry, please leave it in the boxes at the rear of the church. –envelopes are available for Gift Aid purposes. If you would like more information about giving to the work here, please see the leaflet available on the Welcome Desk.

CAP Prayer Meeting –

8pm 15th December Memorial Hall . Please join us to pray for the work of CAP and our clients. All welcome.

Pigeon holes

Did you know you can leave messages for anyone in the congregation using the wooden pigeon holes at the back of church? And that others can leave a message for you? Do check yours!!!!

80s Christmas Party Disco

Saturday 17th Dec '16 | Doors open 8:00pm
FREE ENTRY A group from Christchurch went last year and it was good fun.. The more of us who go from CCW the more fun it'll be. If anyone is interested please let me know as soon as possible so I can reserve tickets as this as they will sell out.. Brett
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Are you interested in making a difference in the life of the mums in our church, releasing them to spend some valuable time with God?

We've muddled through badly this term, but one or two regular helpers would be so wonderful. Would you be willing to commit to just one morning a week, helping out at the Midweek creche on a Wednesday morning during term time? Maybe you and a friend are free? If so, we would love to talk to you! Contact Kay Hanney or Catriona Baker to find out more.

Saturday 4 February 2017 @ 7.00pm in Christ Church School Hal.I Widbury Life Group's **Burns Night Supper** to raise funds for the Church development. Supper, Scottish dancing demonstration and dancing. Tickets £15.00 per person - further details to follow, or speak to Betty Harrington for more information.

Ann Dawson will be away from the office from 19th Dec, returning 3rd January. The office will be open 19th -22nd Dec.

Children's Church

11 Dec start in groups
18 Dec start in church- Children's church party

Young People

Years 7-9

Sunday at 11 am in centre
Thursday – 7.30 till 9 pm

Years 10-13

Wednesday 7.30 till 9 pm

For your Prayers:

Steven Barnaby – in intensive care, please pray for diagnosis and cure.

Sam Rich on the sudden death of her mother.

Keith Murphy, for discernment for his future post and while he assists the Cheshunt Team Ministry.

For all our leaders and preachers as they prepare for our Christmas services.

Sunday 18th Dec

9.15am

Reader Graham Palmer

Intercessor: Helen Fordham

Wardens: Steve Elliott and Stef Campbell

Sidespeople John and Betty Harrington

Welcome Desk: Wendy Tucker

Coffee: Vicarage Estate

11.00 am

Reader: Val Johnson

Intercessor: Heather Hookway

Wardens: Steve Elliott and Graham Quinlan

Sidespeople: Jenny and Peter Stratfold

Welcome Desk: Ann Dawson and Mary Knight

Coffee: Dawson

Notices Deadline: 9.30 am

Thursday 15th December

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