

**WEEKLY NEWS**  
**11TH MARCH 2018**  
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT



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

9.15 Morning Worship  
11.00 Holy Communion

Reading: Psalm 68: 4-10

3.30 WAVE  
7.00 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.

**EASTER SERVICES at CHRIST CHURCH**

**PALM SUNDAY - 25th March** 9.15am, 11.00am & 7.00pm services

**MAUNDY THURSDAY - 29th March** 8.00pm Communion Services

**GOOD FRIDAY - 30th March** 9.30am Walk of Witness from Kibes Lane  
10.30am Family Service with crafts and hot cross buns

**EASTER SUNDAY - 1st April** 10.00am Family Communion  
7.00pm Easter Encounter

The Church will be open daily during Holy Week for personal prayer and reflection

After the Good Friday services, there will be the usual crafts in the memorial hall. If anyone is available to help from 11.15-12.15 please could they contact Michelle on: 07427996783 or Email [children.ccware@gmail.com](mailto:children.ccware@gmail.com)

**PRAY PRAY PRAY!!!** Tuesday prayers at 12.30pm weekly in church and Third Monday of the month at 10 am in the Youth Wing of the Church Centre.

**CAP Prayer meeting, Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March, 10-11am in the youth wing.** Do come and pray for the work of our debt centre.

**Caroline Rolls and Michael Keightley would like to warmly welcome any who might want to come, to join them for their wedding which takes place at Christ Church on the 17<sup>th</sup> March at 1pm.**

**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 visit <http://christchurchware.co.uk/giving/>, or place your gift in the boxes at the rear of the church near the entrance. 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.**

**17th March – Youthscape, Luton 10.00-3.00.** "Tenacious parents". Understanding emotional resilience and the world of teenagers. Tickets from [youthscape.co.uk](http://youthscape.co.uk) £15 inc lunch. See Christian for more information.

**MADD (Men Active During the Day) - MARCH MEETING Beware the Ides of March, which is on 15th March!**

**Also on 15th March 2018 is the next MADD meeting at 11.30am at the Old Bull's Head, Baldock Street, Ware. All men, who are available, are invited for a chat and to hear the plans for 2018!!!**

**Men@CCW Breakfast - Saturday 21 April 8:15am in the Church Centre** with guest speaker Alan Comfort, Rector of Standon. Alan fulfilled his boyhood dream of becoming a professional footballer during the 1980's playing 250 league matches before a knee injury while playing for Middleborough tragically ended his career. Faith began when another player introduced him to Jesus and after injury God opened the door for him to train for the ordained ministry. Tickets including buffet breakfast - £6 from Martin Dudley, Bob Barker and Peter Dane.

**Electoral Roll update:** Prior to the APCM the church updates the Electoral Roll. If you are not yet on the electoral roll and would like to be added, or are on the roll but have changed name/address, please complete one of the forms which is available at the back of church, and hand in to the office between 14th March and 11th April 2018. Many thanks.

**Many thanks to all who helped and took part in "Whose Wine is it Anyway?" on Saturday 3rd March. A total of £889 was raised for the Development Fund.**

**We are looking for volunteers to join our Grant Finding Team-** could you help us. We need folk to complete applications for grants for the development project. We will give your target organisations and support you in preparing application. You need to be able to use a computer, think a little outside the box and have some time to complete the applications. If you would like to know more, offer to help or have questions please talk to Elaine Gold, Steve Elliott or Martin Dudley.

Midweek is a group for women on a Wednesday morning. We meet together to worship, pray, study the bible and journey through life together. We really need help with the crèche so if you can spare 2 hours on a Wednesday morning to look after delightful children and bless their mums please contact Kay Hanney via the office. Thank you.

**Media Shout is a valuable resource and an integral part of the 11 am and SEVEN services. BUT -** We are currently down to only three people trained to operate media shout for the 11 am services, and two for the SEVEN services. We need to train more operators to cover our services, and possibly extend cover to the 9.15 services. Would you be interested in learning to operate Media Shout? If so, speak to Martin Dudley.

Does anyone have a metal stairgate they no longer use? If so could you let the church have it. Thank you.

**On Friday 16th March,** Jessie Dipper will be performing alongside a talented bunch of musicians at the 'Spice of Life' in Soho, at 7.30pm, tickets £6 online (contact Jessie on Facebook/ email for more info). Come along for a great night out, to meet new people and worship with her!

**Working Party Saturday 24th March 8.30 – 1.00pm.** Variety of jobs inside and out. Bacon butties, cake and coffee to sustain you. Speak to Martin if you can help.

**Children's Church**  
March 11th – start in groups

**Crèche**  
Start with parents in church and move to the Church Centre around 11.15

**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  
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**For your Prayers:**  
**For grant applications for the second phase of the church building project.**  
for Claire H for ongoing treatment.  
**Ann Yates undergoing treatment for cancer.**

### March 18th

**9.15 am**  
**Reader:** Mike Tucker  
**Intercessor:** Julia Talor  
**Wardens:** Bob Barker and Bob Owen  
**Sidespeople** Roland Swaile and Ann Herron  
**Welcome Desk:** Kathryn Adams  
**Coffee :** Ridgeway

**11.00 am**  
**Reader:** Chris Evans  
**Intercessor:** Andy Dipper  
**Wardens:** Bob Barker and Carol Walker  
**Sidespeople:** Pam Willis and Peter Stratfold  
**Welcome Desk:** Ann Dawson and Mary Knight  
**Coffee:** Chadwell

**Notices Deadline:** Thurs 9.30 am

**Magazine deadline:** 15th June

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**Christians Against Poverty**  
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If you or someone you know would benefit from free debt counselling, please call 0800 328 0006

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