

**WEEKLY NEWS**  
**22ND APRIL 2018**  
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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

9.15 Morning Worship  
11.00 Morning Worship

Reading: Matthew 3: 1-12

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.

**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.

**APCM Wednesday 25th April 7.45pm.** Refreshments from 7.30 pm. Come and celebrate all that God has done in the life of the church and be part of electing our new wardens, PCC members and trustees of the church. The annual report is available now, please do take a copy **This year we have four vacancies for PCC, three of 3 years and one of 1 year.** Nomination forms are at the back of church, and if you would like to know more about the role please do talk to any of the current PCC members.

**Tuesday 24th April 8-9pm,** Tower School Escape Prayer Meeting. Ware churches together. All welcome.

**Ascension Day Communion Service, Thursday 10th May, 8 pm** in church.

**LoveWare:LiveWare - 5th May at King George Field** All are invited to join the team of volunteers, gathered from across Ware's Churches, for this opportunity to show God's love through action in our community. It's a fun day and there are many different roles: we need prayers, marquee-putter-uppers, van-loaders, cafe servers, craft facilitators, face-painters, BBQ chefs and servers, sports players, bouncy-castle-attendees, first-aiders, and many other varied and fun roles. Please go to [www.lovewareliveware.org](http://www.lovewareliveware.org) to sign up, or speak to Sam Woodward / 07580 924118 or email [sam.woodward@gmail.com](mailto:sam.woodward@gmail.com) for more info. Thank you!

**Welcome Sunday Lunch - April 29th.** If you are new to Christ Church or haven't been to one before, you are invited to join us for a simple lunch straight after the 11am service in the Church Centre. This is for families and adults and is an opportunity to meet other newcomers and to find out more about life at Christ Church. Invites and more details are available from the Welcome Desk or June Jarvest, Cynthia Kattau or Neil and Margaret Pearce.

**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.**

**Heather Hookway and Sarah Wicks are planning a Royal Wedding Street Party on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018, in aid of the Church Building Fund.** Held at 41 Mount Pleasant, Hertford Heath SG13 7QZ There will be large screen for The Royal Wedding & the FA Cup Final. This is an opportunity for outreach with many family events, fun competitions and games for children. Entry will be on a first come first served basis. Tickets from church office. If you would like to help in any way Contact Sarah Jane Wicks Email [Wicksy000@gmail.com](mailto:Wicksy000@gmail.com) Mobile number: 07982 835 917

**On Thursday 26th April at 7.45-10pm, in the Church Hall,** we will be holding a Worship Ministry event called 'Together' for everyone currently involved/ would like to be involved in any way within the Worship Ministry. This is for musicians, those on Media Shout, Sound, and those looking to be involved in worship. It's a BRING AND SHARE EVENING MEAL, with time for fellowship and worship. Contact *Jessie Dipper (Worship Intern)* at [worship@christchurchware.co.uk](mailto:worship@christchurchware.co.uk) for more info and please RSVP for catering -and bring something tasty if you can! Also help needed in serving, wash up/ clean up afterwards and any preparation needed before hand on the day. Again, please contact Jessie.

**Thy Kingdom Come Prayer week 13th- 19th May 2018** Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement, which invites Christians around the world to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus Christ. Christ Church is committed to prayer. So this year, Christ Church will host a prayer room, located in the Vestry at the back of church. To book a prayer slot for an hour, go to ; <https://www.24-7prayer.com/emailredirect/66bf858e119401396053e04633d95637/> Or, speak to Mark Hallett, Pam Willis or Rachel Quinlan. Throughout this week, Christ Church will also host a series on one hour "break every chain" prayer session. These are opportunities to prayer together intercessory prayers for specific needs; including loneliness, poverty, relationships, addictions and sickness.

**St Albans Vision Bay, 12th May at Harpenden- Reach New People** in new ways, make new disciples of Christ by developing fresh expressions of church and equip leaders. Details to follow soon if you are interested let the office know.

**At the end of May there is due to be a major revision of the data protection** rules and regulations which we must comply with.. To ensure that we are compliant please complete a consent form so that we can refresh the data we hold on you and ensure that it is accurate. We have emailed the form to some of you and there is a supply of forms at the welcome desk. Thank you Martin

Martin is refurbishing some antique chairs for the church. If you or you know some who has experience of upholstery he would be grateful for advice. [manager@christchurchware.co.uk](mailto:manager@christchurchware.co.uk)

We were saddened to hear of the death of our former vicar David Wheaton, on Tuesday 10th April. Please pray for, Mark, Jo, Mary and the extended family. Funeral details will be announced when known.

**Children's work: HELP NEEDED** There are two brightly coloured clip boards at the back of church to sign up as a volunteer for the children's holiday club 28th – 31st August. Children can be signed up once we have enough volunteers!

**Michelle is running a mini Alpha course for year 6 kids** on Monday lunch time in Christ Church School and desperately needs someone to join her in spreading the gospel to this age group. If you could help between 12.00 – 1.30 please let the office know.

#### **Christian Aid Walk 12th May 2018**

Please join us on this year's sponsored walk (21K or 13K) and raise money to build lifesaving new homes in poor communities at risk from disaster. More information and registration details can be found at [www.christianaidwalk.org](http://www.christianaidwalk.org)

**BIBLE READING IN A YEAR –WELL DONE to everyone who has managed the daily readings so far!** If you would like to join in, or dropped out reading the Old Testament and would like to re-start, the New Testament section begin on Saturday 12th May. Details available at the back of church.

**Children's Church**  
22nd April  
Children start in groups

**Crèche**  
Start with parents in church family service

**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:**  
**For grant applications for the second phase of the church building project.**  
for Claire H for ongoing treatment.  
**Ann Yates undergoing treatment for cancer.**  
The Parkes family following the death of Gary's father.  
**The family of David Wheaton who died last week**

**April 29th**  
**9.15 am**  
**Reader:** Ros Nendick  
**Intercessor:** Wendy Tucker  
**Wardens:** Bruce Crowther and Bob Owen  
**Sidespeople** Diana Perkins and Jenny Dixon  
**Welcome Desk:** Andrew Wang  
**Coffee :** Widbury

**11.00 am**  
**Reader:** Sam Woodward  
**Intercessor:** Rachel Quinlan  
**Wardens:** Bruce Crowther and Stuart Baker  
**Sidespeople:** Richard and Heather Clayden  
**Welcome Desk:** Brett Sutherland and Meredith Smart  
**Coffee:** Hertford

**Notices Deadline:** Thurs 9.30 am

**Magazine deadline:** 15th June

#### **Contact Information**

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The Rev. Norman Richards

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#### **Christians Against Poverty**

Sam Rich Thurs and Fri  
01920 487267 ext 206) 07725 607425  
If you or someone you know would benefit from free debt counselling, please call 0800 328 0006

#### **Church officers**

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