

WEEKLY NEWS

20TH MAY 2018

DAY OF PENTECOST, WHIT SUNDAY



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

9.15 Holy Communion

11.00 Morning Worship

Reading: Matthew 5: 8: 1-17

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.

THIS Sunday is Pentecost Sunday (20th May) Development Fund Gift Day: An opportunity to celebrate the church's birthday with an outpouring of generosity towards the Development Fund and target the next £500,000.

At the end of May there is due to be a major revision of the data protection rules and regulations. You MUST COMPLETE a data form which are at the back of church, or else we will not be able to communicate with you after 25th May. PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM TODAY.

Children's Ministry Update- I recently shared with you that following Michelle's marriage she has decided to leave her role as Children's Worker to spend more time with her family. Her last Sunday with us is this Sunday the 20th of May due to a family holiday on the 27th. We will be thanking and praying for her in both services. At the back of church there is a card for you to sign and leave messages of thanks.

Children's groups will be continuing to run as usual throughout the rest of this term. On the evening of **20th of May at 7.00 pm** in the church centre, we are holding a meeting for all those who are involved in children's ministry or who would like to be able to help and support Children's. We will also discuss what the next developments of our children's ministry may be. I would encourage you all to be praying for Michelle, those who lead and volunteer within our Children's ministry, the children and the development and growth of the ministry. With many thanks John

OASIS Saturday 26th May will be held at **Gt Amwell scout hut**. It will take place at the usual time 4 till 7 pm and will feature a bbq, games, and fun in the woods.

LoveWare:LiveWare - Saturday 26th May at Lower Bourne Gardens New and existing volunteers are invited to join the team from across Ware's Churches, for this opportunity to show God's love through action in our community. 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. Sign up at www.lovewareliveware.org, speak to Margaret Pearce or sam.woodward@gmail.com for more info.

CCC 100 - What is it? As part of National Bike Week in June the next Development Fund event is the Christ Church Challenge 100, on Saturday 16th June, a cycle ride in the Hertfordshire and Cambridgeshire countryside, which will raise funds. Cyclists will be able to choose from three distances; 100, 50 or 25 miles. The ride starts and finishes at Christ Church. Please sign up if you are able and encourage other cyclists you know to take part!

Sign up via the following links <https://ticketbud.com/events/1df9b74c-2bc5-11e8-8085-37efd7c9f1fa>

OR <http://bikeweek.org.uk/event/christ-church-challenge-100/>

ALSO - Help will be needed on the day, mainly marshals, offers of help to Martin Dudley or Bob Barker.

The Brownies are organising a walk of the Christ Church Parish Boundary When: Saturday 23rd June 2018 as a fundraising event for church. Where: The Christ Church Parish Boundary; roughly Musley Hill to Amwell End, Kings Mead to Presdales, Great Amwell to Easyne, Fanhams back to Christ Church approx. 14km 8ish miles (your choice you can do some or all of it) **Capability:** Some map reading needed (we will provide a comprehensive route plan) with signage/ marshalling. **Entry Fee:** Minimum £5 per person (Families £15). If you would like to raise more money then you could get sponsorship. **Who is it for:** Children, Adults, Parents, Families, Christ Church members and dogs. Further details to follow. Please register your interest with Hayley Murdoch – hayleymurdoch@btinternet.com

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.

Jocelyn and Mirjam from All Nations Christian College and part of Christchurch congregation, invite you to a **fundraising event called 'Esther Experience'**. It is an evening of pampering (e.g. manicures) with a short discussion on the story of Esther and persecuted women around the world. Open to any women who want to come, All Nations Christian College, Easneye, Ware, SG12 8LX at **19:30 on Friday 25th May** with a suggested donation on the door of £3. There will also be a raffle costing £1, and an opportunity to do crafts, for which bringing along old/empty shampoo, conditioner and shower gel bottles would be very helpful. Any questions please contact Mirjam Dixon on mirjam.dixon@gmail.com.

There will be a memorial service for David Wheaton on Monday 11th June at 10 am in Church. There will be an opportunity to share your memories and stories at this service if you would like to. The family have set up the David Wheaton Memorial Bursary to provide books for students at Oak Hill and The London College of Theology. Donations to *Colin J Close, Funeral Director, Peel Close, Salisbury Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset DT11 7JU*.

Ethical Trade: The next Easneye Business Network event will be on Tuesday 22nd May, 7.45pm for 8pm, at Easneye House, All Nations Christian College. We will be exploring ethical trade. The evening will be led by Keren Pybus, Co-founder and CEO of Ethical Apparel Africa. Please see www.ethicalapparelafrica.com to learn more. Please contact either Peter Hanney on 07968 990496 or the All Nations reception if you plan to attend to help with numbers.

Would you be interested in spending some time with an inquisitive & adorable 1 year old? We are looking for some help with child care during the working week. Times & payment are negotiable. If you are interested, please contact Sarah McDonald on sarahirmcdonald3@gmail.com or 07753826310.

Date for your diary: November 10th "Auction of Promises" event Fund Raiser by Amwell Life Group Details and requests to follow later.

Norman Richardson is developing a course for "First Responders" and is looking for someone to type up the course work. Any volunteers please contact Ann in the office.

If you would like Home Communion, or know of anyone else who would like a Pastoral visit, please contact the Church office in the first instance.

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.

Children's Church
20th May
Children start in church

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 Claire H for ongoing treatment.
Ann Yates undergoing treatment for cancer.

Sundays gift day for the Development fund

Give thanks for the grant of £10000 from the Herts and Beds Historic Churches trust

May 27th

9.15 am
Reader: John Stockwell
Intercessor: Julia Taylor
Wardens: Richard Clayden and Hayley Murdoch
Sidespeople Don and Kathryn Adams

Welcome Desk Eva Illott
Coffee : Musley

11.00 am
Reader: Andy Dipper
Intercessor: Jan Young
Wardens: Richard Clayden and Rob Swaile
Sidespeople: Jane Dudley and Leslie Scott
Welcome Desk: Philip Scott and Ann Dawson
Coffee: Music

Notices Deadline: Thurs 9.30 am

Magazine deadline: 15th June

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