

# WEEKLY NEWS

## 9TH SEPT 2018

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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

9.15 Morning Worship

11.00 Holy Communion

Reading: John 10: 1-6 and 11-15

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.

**Escape – a festival of hope!** The churches of Ware are working together to host *Escape* on King George V field on Saturday 15 September from 4 pm-7.30 pm. Do pray about the friends, family and colleagues that God may want you to invite along! There'll be free food, great live music and a message of hope from the President of CVM, Carl Beech.

**Sunday lunches, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th September.** Please sign up for ONE of these dates. We will share fellowship and the future plans for the development project, including details of where we will meet on Sundays in 2019. Sign-up sheets are at the back of church, or call Ann in the office 01920 487267 to book a place.

**Church Away Day, Saturday 20th October 9 am – 3.30pm** At All Nations Christian College. Details and booking sheets available in church or on line via [www.churistchurchware.co.uk](http://www.churistchurchware.co.uk)

**New Wine next year:** - please do join us as a church at week one 27th July to 2nd Aug. The flash sale is available till 3rd Sept. <https://www.new-wine.org/week-1>

**ESCAPE: With 2 weeks to go** : do fill in the sign-up cards at the back of the church and pray using the Escape prayer diary

**Alpha Course** The alpha course provides an informal, relaxed environment, where people can explore questions of life. Whether you are a sceptic, or simply want to explore the Christian faith, then this course is for you. Christ Church Alpha starts Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September in the Church Centre with a meal at 7.30pm, followed by thought provoking talks and conversation. To find out more email Caroline on [caroline@christchurchware.co.uk](mailto:caroline@christchurchware.co.uk), or turn up on the night!

**Alpha course- request for washing up helpers.** Are you someone with a servant heart? We need a team to wash up for one, two or more of the Alpha course evenings. Please contact [caroline@christchurchware.co.uk](mailto:caroline@christchurchware.co.uk), or Christ church office, if you can assist.

**Saturday 8th September 10 -11.30 WAVE** – An inclusive space for those with learning difficulties and their carers.

**Seven evening service** restarts on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm. Seven is a fortnightly evening service that provides an informal place to worship, hear life applicable teaching, and receive ministry and prayer. The service is for all ages and is relevant for seekers, young people and those who want to go to a relaxed church service. This term, come and join us for the series "Going deeper", where we look at deepening our faith in Jesus and explore the book of 1 John.

**Christmas takes place in September!**- Christ Church is the star of the CoE 2018 Christmas campaign. Please support us and them by being part of a "rent a congregation" at 4.30 pm on Sunday 23rd September. Wear winter clothes, Christmas jumpers. There will be refreshments and for each person who comes we will receive a donation of £10 to the development fund. Please see flyers and posters for more information

**Men at Christ Church, Ware - MADD meeting on Thursday 20th September at 11.30am, Old Bull's Head, Baldock Street, Ware.** Please come along for an update on how we can support our church as we move closer to the refurbishment project and other planned activities in the autumn of 2018.

**Escape Youth Alpha Follow up.** We are in need of a female helper on Monday evenings to help Christian lead a group for teenagers who are interested in developing faith for the first time. If you would be interested in this ministry please contact Christian Cole 01920 487267 ext 203 (07462 691885) [ypl@christchurchware.co.uk](mailto:ypl@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 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.**

**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.

### Dates for your diaries

**Bike n Hike**, Sat 8th September in aid of Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust.

Volunteers needed to act as welcomers in church, offers of cake also needed – sign-up sheet at the back of church.

If you are interested in taking part in the Bike Hike then please speak to Martin Dudley.

**Business: Crossing Barriers.** Sat 15th Sept 8.30 am, at St Andrews St Baptist Church, Cambridge. Be inspired about what God is doing though business, crossing barriers in the UK and abroad. Explore how you can get involved, Network and learn. Free, with breakfast provided. Register at [www.missionthroughbusiness.org/events](http://www.missionthroughbusiness.org/events)

Richard and Jo Shepherd are moving to Austria shortly. Whilst we are sad to be saying "goodbye", we thank God for the way in which He has guided and provided for them. Join their life group on Tuesday 18th September at 8 pm for drinks and nibbles and to pray for them at 11 Meadview Road Ware SG12 9JU (07580 526874).

Room to let- see noticeboard for details.

**PIÑATA OF PROMISES TO AUCTION-Saturday 10th November.** Thank you for amazing donation of Promises already received. Please keep them coming, the more we get the more money we make towards our Church building fund. Please contact with offers direct to GALG at [wallpad12@gmail.com](mailto:wallpad12@gmail.com)

**Children's Church**  
9th  
Children 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

### For your Prayers:

Claire H for ongoing treatment.  
**Louise Phelan and family as she undergoes treatment for breast cancer.**

For Jess Cole as she joins us as children's worker.

**For the outcome of recent grant applications for the building project.**

### Sept 16th

**9.15 am**  
**Reader:** Wendy Tucker  
**Intercessor:** Diana Perkins  
**Wardens:** Bruce Crowther and Stef Campbell  
**Sidespeople** Pat and Keith Fairey  
**Welcome Desk** Wendy Tucker  
**Coffee:** Vicarage Estate

**11.00 am**  
**Reader** Ann Dawson  
**Intercessor** Geoff Madge  
**Wardens:** Bruce Crowther and Roger Tiffen  
**Sidespeople:** Rob and Ruth Boulton  
**Welcome Desk:** Brett Sutherland and Meredith Smart  
**Coffee:** Chadwell

**Notices Deadline:** Thurs 9.30 am

**Magazine deadline:** 7th September

### Contact Information

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### Operations Manager:

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### Ministers:

**Vicar:** The Rev John Hookway  
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**Curate:** Revd Caroline Keightley  
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### Associate Minister:

The Rev. Norman Richards

### Church workers:

**Children's Worker: Jess Cole**  
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**Youth Pastor Christian Cole**  
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Day off – Friday

### 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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