

WEEKLY NEWS
11TH NOVEMBER 2018
TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST



9.15 Morning worship
11.00 Holy Communion

Reading: 2 Cor 5: 11-21

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.

Did you know there were pigeon holes at the back of church for messages from other church members? Please check the pigeon holes to see if there is anything there for you! We need to clear these out before the Christmas card rush!

Saturday 10th November 10.00 – 11.30 WAVE An inclusive space for those with learning disabilities and their carers.

Please pray on the evenings of 12th and 19th December for the decisions the PCC will be making on those dates.

I am pleased to let you know that thanks to your prayers and the work of the grants committee, the Garfield Weston foundation (the generosity of the Garfield Weston Family) has kindly supported the development project with a grant of £25,000. God is our provider and let us continue to give thanks for his provision as we pray.

Christmas Choir Rehearsals on Tuesdays 7.30 – 9.15 pm in church. We are delighted Mark Dillon has agreed to lead this year's choir. All abilities welcome just turn up on the night.

Men Active During the Day of Christ Church, Ware. A special day is coming on **Sunday 11th November 2018** - "When you go home tell them of us and say: for your tomorrow we gave our today" *Also, also - the last MADD meeting of the year looms on Thursday 15th November 2018, 11.30am at the Old Bulls Head, Baldock Street, Ware.*

Sunday 18th November – Development Fund Gift Day. Thank you for all you have given so far. Please continue to prayerfully be involved. Pledge envelopes are available in church or give online at <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/charity-web/charity/finalCharityHomepage.action?charityId=1014113> or email treasurer@christchurchware.co.uk with a pledge to give or pray (or both). If we are all standing together in this, we can leave a wonderful legacy for more to hear the gospel! We would particularly appreciate offers of interest free loans at this time.

On the 18th November the children's work team would love to invite parents/carers to join us in the church centre from 12.15- 12.45 for coffee and cake and an opportunity for leaders and parents to connect with each other. Would you be willing to bake a cake or help serve tea/coffee on this day? Please speak to Jess or email children@christchurchware.co.uk.

Working Party, Saturday 24th November - To start the pack up and clearance of church before the redevelopment starts, plus setting up for Christmas. Many hands will make this task easy. No specific DIY skills needed. Sorry, no breakfast this time, but plenty of tea and cake to sustain you.

Welcome Sunday Lunch for Newcomers - 25th November. All who have joined Christ Church during the past year or who have never been to a Welcome lunch are invited to join us for a simple lunch after the morning (11am) service in the Church Centre. This is an opportunity to meet other new families 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 and Margaret and Neil Pearce.

Have you ever wanted to own a pew? Or have a memento of Christ Church? Now is your opportunity as we look to sell items that will not be needed following the redevelopment. Copies of what is available are at the back of church and available on the website and also have been e-mailed out. Please do share this with your friends and family. Any questions please ask Martin.

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.

Operation Christmas Child – Deadline Sunday 18th November Thank you to those who have already provided shoebox gifts and fillers. A reminder that the deadline for remaining boxes is Sunday 18th November. If anyone wants to visit or volunteer at the processing centre at Harlow, it is open every weekday from 10:00 to 16:00 until 14 December, also Saturday 17 and 24 Nov, 10:00 to 14:00, also Wednesday evenings for Life Groups: 21 Nov and 05 Dec. Please contact Andrew du Boulay (aduboulay@ntlworld.com) for more details. Thank you for your support.

Saturday 17th November – Coffee Morning Hertford Baptist Church are running a coffee morning and craft sale to raise money for Operation Christmas Child. 10.00 to 12.00. All welcome.

All Nations Christian College present Carols at Easneye, Wednesday 28th November at 7.30 pm

A heart felt thank you to the Christ Church family who helped to make Nicole and Joe's wedding such a special day for us all. With love and gratitude, Dave and Sue

Pastoral care needs If you know of someone or are in need of Pastoral care could you please contact either your life group leader or the office in the first instance, and a member of the team will follow it up, clergy, readers or visiting team. The Rev Norman Richards is still supporting the training and development of pastoral care but is no longer the point of contact.

Mulberry House Men's Breakfast. 8.30 am, 24th November. £15.00. Peter Kerridge, CEO of Premier Radio will talk about his work at Premier, and how we as men can stand for Christ in today's secular society. More details from Dave Willis docdaw1@gmail.com

Children's Church
28th Oct
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 Church
Thursday – 7.30 till 9 pm
Years 10-13
Wednesday 7.30 till 9 pm

For your Prayers:
Louise Phelan and family as she undergoes treatment for breast cancer.
For alpha
For PCC as it considers all aspects of the Development Project.
For the outcome of recent grant applications for the building project.
For Pam Robinson recovering at home.
Christ Church School Open Evening
Thurs 8th Nov
Wendy Wall for post op knee recovery

Nov 18th

9.15 am
Reader: Barbara Richardson
Intercessor: Diana Perkins
Wardens: Cheryl Bevan and Keith Fairey
Sidespeople Margaret Curd
Welcome Desk Wendy Tucker
Coffee: Ridgeway

11.00 am
Reader Alison Richards
Intercessor Darran Mustoe
Wardens: Cheryl Bevan and Rob Swaile
Sidespeople: Dave and Pam Willis
Welcome Desk: Deborah Mercer and Ron Porter
Coffee: Hertford

Notices Deadline: Thurs 9.30 am

Magazine deadline: 9th November

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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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