



# Christ Church Life

Christ Church Downend + The Church Centre, Quakers Road

23 April 2017

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- 9.15am Holy Communion  
Church Centre  
Going forth in peace  
[John 20:19-31](#)  
Paul Peterson
- 10.30am Morning Worship  
Christ Church  
Going forth in peace  
[John 20:19-31](#)  
Helen Barnett & Paul Peterson
- 6.30pm Spirit Space
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## Prayer Focus

- Give thanks for the amazing way the 98 Young People engaged with Dave Jeal as he shared his powerful testimony at Ignite and Ignite+ (2nd Feb)
- Pray for the Noise (29th April and 1st May) – that the Young People and wider Church will sign up to the Noise, and in doing so be blessed as they are a blessing to others
- Pray that all our Young People may be set free by the truth

**Diane Paddon – Youth Pastor**

## Prayer

If you would value prayer, please go to the sanctuary (by the Altar) after the morning service.

## Welcome to Christ Church

If you are here for the first time, please do make yourself known to others after the service and complete one of our 'Welcome' cards.

There are children's groups that take place during part of the Service. You will be able to follow the teachers from the Welcome Space at about 10.50am.

More details about the life of the church can be found on the website:

[www.christchurchdownend.com](http://www.christchurchdownend.com)

# This Week

## Monday 24 April

- 09.15am Morning Prayer  
7.30pm Youth Team Meeting

## Tuesday 25 April

- 10.00–1pm Open Church  
11.00am Bible Study  
7.30pm Aquila Course—Youth Hub

## Wednesday 26 April

- 07.00am Thy Kingdom Come Prayer  
2.00pm Stroke Recovery Gardening Group  
4.30pm Messy Church  
7.10pm Coffee followed by  
7.30pm Celebration & Annual Parochial Church Meeting

## Thursday 27 April

- 09.30am Holy Communion  
10.30-12pm Open Church

## Friday 28 April

- 09.45am Jigsaw Toddlers  
3.30pm Youth Drop in @ Youth Hub

## Saturday 29 April

- 08.00am Youth Team join The Noise

## Sunday 30 April

- 9.15am Holy Communion  
Church Centre  
Burning Hearts & Broken Bread  
[Luke 24:13-35](#) & [1 Peter 1:17-23](#)  
Jo Vickery  
10.30am Morning Worship  
Christ Church  
Burning Hearts & Broken Bread  
[Luke 24:13-35](#) & [1 Peter 1:17-23](#)  
Nigel Stowe & Jo Vickery  
6.30pm Healing Service  
Jo Vickery & Nigel Stowe



SEARCH ME, GOD,  
AND KNOW MY HEART

PSALM 139:23

## Aquila Course

Aquila course is back - helping people find hope after heartbreak.

The course helps you find a deeper sense of wholeness and confidence through discussion and helpful material facilitated by trained peers who have been through divorce themselves.

Starts Tuesday 25th April for 7 weeks on Tuesday evenings in the Youth Hub. For info visit <https://www.hope-after-heartbreak.co.uk> or call confidential number

**07807 058 479**

Get in touch with Angie Moller if you would like to help by providing a cake one week.

**Sunday Teaching** between Easter Day & Pentecost:

April 23 - Going forth in peace

[John 20:19-31](#) & [1 Peter 1: 3-9](#)

April 30 - Burning hearts & broken bread

[Luke 24:13-35](#) & [1 Peter 1:17-23](#)

May 7 – Unusual satisfaction

[John 10: 1-10](#) & [Psalm 23](#)

May 14 - The Gathered Church

[Ephesians 3: 14-21](#)

May 21 - The Scattered Church

[Ephesians 6: 10-20](#)

May 28 – Praying ‘Thy Kingdom Come’

[Matthew 6: 5-15](#)

June 4 – The Great Outpouring

[Acts 2: 1-21](#) (Pentecost Sunday)

June 11 – The Acts of the Holy Spirit

(The start of our Summer Series)

## Noise 2017

Booking forms are available to pick up from the Youth Hub. Anyone from our church family is welcome to join in community social action projects on Saturday 29 April and Monday 1 May. Cost is £5 for one or both days. There are more details and a promo film <https://goo.gl/EHaUme> or see Gary or Diane for more info.

## Christ Church PCC - is God calling

**you?** The PCC (Parochial Church Council) is the church's governing body and sees its task as 'cooperating with the vicar in promoting the whole mission of Christ Church with a particular responsibility for ensuring wise and faithful stewardship of the church's resources, to enable vision to become reality' In other words it plays a key oversight role and we need godly men and women to serve on it from the APCM onwards. The PCC meets 6 times a year usually on midweek evenings, and induction is provided for new members. Nomination forms are available from Sunday 26 March, together with leaflets explaining what's involved. On a wider level we also need up to 4 people to serve on the deanery synod, a body which seeks to encourage the flourishing of the wider church.

## Mothers' Union Annual Summer Outing

Cardiff Bay and Llancaiach Fawr Manor (Nr Pontypridd). **Wednesday 14th June 2017**  
Cost £22 including cream tea..  
All friends welcome. If interested please contact Joan Wynne Jones. 9569161

## Students

Last chance to be included in our exam prayer diary: please send your exam subjects, dates and times to [helenmbarnett@gmail.com](mailto:helenmbarnett@gmail.com) (By 29 April please)

## Annual General Meeting

Join us for our Celebration evening and Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 26 April at 7.30pm. We hope you can come and hear what God has been doing in this part of God's church, and to join us in looking and praying ahead for what God might be doing in and through us in the future through the building project and other initiatives. Our celebration will include sung worship, prayer and interviews as we hear from a variety of people young and old. Coffee and tea from 7.10 pm. Please make this a priority as we enjoy a unique opportunity to be together across the different congregations. Sincere apologies to those who will need to be at home with young children and can't get babysitters We felt that Sunday at 12pm was not enough time to look back and look forward together. If you need a lift in order to come but don't succeed in arranging one, please contact Anita 07753 233 950.

## Paul's BBO

Paul is hosting a 50th birthday BBO at 15 Glendale on Bank Holiday Monday 1 May from 4.30-8.30pm, to which you are all invited. Feel free to pop in for a few minutes or few hours. A massive thank you to all those who sponsored Paul for the 'First Step Home' walk in aid of Retrak. The amount raised currently stands at £1,250 plus gift aid.

## Christenings

Next Sunday, 30 April, Jack Matthews and Finn McCann will be christened in the 10.30 service.

## Mothers' Union

Next meeting is 3 May. It's an Open Meeting & visitors are invited from other local groups. The speaker is Margaret Adams with "Living with the Boss". Afterwards we have tea and cake.

## Do you shop at the Co-op?

1% of everything you spend is donated to a local cause, and you can choose to support our youth group. All you need to do is to enter your Co-op membership card number once into their website to register your account and then select which local cause you would like to support. Here's the link to join:

<https://membership.coop.co.uk/sign-in>

## Team India Grand Auction

Team India are having a Grand Auction & curry night on **Friday 19 May**. Tickets £5 for adults, Children free, (Curry or burger with your ticket) from Diane & Gary. If you have something to offer for the auction of promises please speak to the team.

## Brunel Brass Are Back

Brunel Brass are back again for a concert at Christ Church on **Saturday 20 May** raising funds for the Christ Church Mission Partners and for Brunel Brass. Tickets £5 (U13 free), an opportunity to hear National Competition level Brass Band music with Alan & Luke Campbell & Reuben Jenkins.

**Christian Aid Week** will soon be upon us and we need further help in our door to door collections in the Downend Area. Please speak to Ann Castle or Paul Peterson if you can help out this year to raise much needed funds for Christian Aid projects across the world.

Items for Christ Church Life - Email **Sue Richardson** on [life@christchurchdownend.com](mailto:life@christchurchdownend.com) by **6pm on Tuesday's** or call **07584 281 605** thank you.

Contact the Parish Office on 0117 908 9867 email: [office@christchurchdownend.com](mailto:office@christchurchdownend.com)

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## Helping you find hope after your relationship breakdown

However recently or long ago, if life's a bit tough right now, we can help your recovery.

Our next 7-week self-help course starts on **Tuesday 25th April** in Downend, S. Glos



**Aquila**  
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For more details please call us on **07807 058479** or email [bristol@hope-after-heartbreak.co.uk](mailto:bristol@hope-after-heartbreak.co.uk)

## Local Wildlife at Lincombe Barn

Join other local wildlife enthusiasts at Lincombe Barn Woods. Hear the dawn chorus on **Saturday 6 May** at 5.15am and Otter Talk by the Greater Bristol Otter Group booked for **Saturday 13 May** 2.30-3.30pm in Lincombe Barn's large room. (See Diane for more info)

## Men's Breakfast

**Saturday 13 May** at The Kendleshire - Full cooked breakfast and testimony from Jonny Angel who manages Crisis Centre Ministries' Wild Goose cafe. Sign up lists at the back of church or email [men@christchurchdownend.com](mailto:men@christchurchdownend.com)