



Christ Church Life

Christ Church Downend + The Church
Centre, Quakers Road

October 2017



Welcome to Christ Church

If you are here for the first time, please do make yourself known to one of the welcomers after the service and complete one of our 'Welcome' cards. There are children's groups that take place during part of the Service most weeks. You can find out where your child goes from one of the leaders in the Welcome Space at about 10.45am. More details about the life of the church can be found on the website: www.christchurchdownend.com

Prayer

If you would value prayer, we would love to have the opportunity to pray with you after the service, please speak to the service leader or preacher or one of the welcome team.

Contact the Parish Office on 0117 908 9867 email: office@christchurchdownend.com

Web: www.christchurchdownend.com

Instagram: [@christchurchdownend](https://www.instagram.com/christchurchdownend)

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Youth Website: <http://www.igniteyouth-christchurchdownend.co.uk/>

Items for November's Christ Church Life - Email **Sue Richardson** on life@christchurchdownend.com
by **6pm on Tuesday 24 October** or call **07584 281 605**

Sundays in September

October 1

Harvest Celebrations

9.15am Morning Worship @ Church Centre
Peter Misselbrook

10.30am All Age Worship @ Christ Church
Anita Dobson & Jo Vickery

6.30pm Holy Communion
Paul Peterson

October 8

Why Whole life Worship? [Hebrews 12:22-29](#)

9.15am Holy Communion @ Church Centre
Paul Peterson

10.30am Holy Communion @ Christ Church
Jo Vickery & Paul Peterson

6.30pm Celtic Evening Worship
Jo Vickery

October 15

Worship Engages Our Whole Life

[Romans 12:1-2](#)

9.15am Morning Worship @ Church Centre
Nigel Stowe

10.30am Morning Worship @ Christ Church
Jo Vickery & Nigel Stowe

6.30pm Holy Communion
Chris Dobson

October 22

Worship & Fresh Insights [Ephesians 1:15-23](#)

9.15am Breakfast Holy Communion
@ Church Centre Paul Peterson & Chris Dobson

10.30am Morning Worship @ Christ Church
Jo Vickery & Chris Dobson

6.30pm Spirit Space

October 29 - Worship Transforms

Ordinary Actions [Colossians 3:12-17](#)

9.15am Holy Communion @ Church Centre
Paul Peterson

10.30am Morning Worship @ Christ Church
Nigel Stowe & Paul Peterson

6.30pm Healing Service
Kathy Prosser

Weekly Events

Mondays

09.15am Morning Prayer

Tuesdays

10am-1pm Open Church

11.00am Bible Study

3.15pm Tuesday Drop in @ Youth
Hub for Yrs 6 & 7 from CCJ

Wednesdays

07.00am Morning Prayer

2pm Stroke Gardening Group

6.30pm Elev8

7.30pm Elev8+ @ Paul Peterson's

8.00pm Elev8+ @ Youth Hub

Thursdays

09.15-12pm Holy Communion & Open
Church

6.30pm Ignite Youth Group

8pm Ignite+ Youth Group

Fridays

09.45am Jigsaw Toddlers Group

3.15pm Youth Drop in @ Youth
Hub

Altar Flowers

1 October Harvest Flowers

8 October Margaret Hoyle

15 October Still Available

22 October Jane White

29 October Nita & Ray Hackney

Open Doors -14 October. One day celebration in Birmingham of God's faithfulness, "Standing Strong" with speakers from the persecuted Church in India, Nigeria & the Middle East. Do come. If you can't please pray. More details on the Open Doors Website or from Mary Massey or Ann Travers http://www.opendoorsuk.org/news/upcoming_events.php

Alpha It's not too late to join us at Alpha: don't worry if you missed the introductory supper, the first main session is on Monday 2nd October at 7.45pm in the youth hub. Speak to **Angie Moller**, **Jane Harding** or **Paul Peterson** to find out more.

Global Leadership Summit from Willow Creek is on 3 & 4 November at Woodlands Church, Bristol. World class teaching on leadership in any context. Tickets are £45 for 2 days. Contact **Maggie Nichols** to book as part of our church group. Email margaret.nichols2@btinternet.com or call 07790 250 853.

Open Doors monthly prayer meeting is on Tuesday 17 October @ 9.30am at 60 Leap Valley Crescent.

Harvest Supper will be held on **Tuesday 10 October** at the Church Hall -7.45 p.m. for 8.00 p.m. Tickets £8. Buy from Maggie Nichols 0117 3050711, Marguerite Luck 0117 9572377 or at the Parish Office.

Moldova evening Come and hear more about the team's recent visit to our Mission Partners in Ursoiaia - 6.30pm and 8pm presentations on Friday 6th October at 15 Glendale, Bromley Heath BS16 6EQ

Haslemere@Danehill If you have a child in school years 6-8, then why not book them in for this 3 night residential in October half term? Action packed programme, Bible teaching and plenty of opportunities to explore and deepen faith. October 23 to 26 - cost £130, with subsidies available. Email Paul at paulpeterson@blueyonder.co.uk.

Shoebox Appeal Leaflets will be available at Church shortly and boxes will be collected in the first week of November. Call Angela Avent for more information on 0117 957 3558 or email angelaavent@live.com

Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning/ Evening on Friday 6th October 10am - 3pm and 7pm - 9pm. 36 Leap Valley Crescent, Downend. Coffee & home-made cakes, Phoenix cards and gifts (including Christmas cards). All sales support Macmillan. Contact Alex Clark on 0117 9570 661 for more info.

Own a Pew If anyone would like to buy one of our pews, please get in touch with Maggie Nichols at building4life@christchurchdownend.com Offers in excess of £75 please. Pews will have to be removed from Church on a specific date, likely to be beginning of November. Removal will be your responsibility.

Baptisms by full immersion will be taking place at our 10.30am service on **Sunday 5 November**. If you haven't been baptised and would like to know more, please speak to Jo or Paul. This will be followed by a Deanery Confirmation service at 6.30pm at St. Michael's, Stoke Gifford with Bishop Lee. For anyone 9 years old & upwards.

Men's Breakfast We're delighted that **Marvin Rees**, Bristol's Mayor will be our guest at the next breakfast at the Kendleshire golf club on Saturday 4 November 8-9.30am. Cost £10 - book by signing up on lists at Christ Church or Church Centre or by emailing men@christchurchdownend.com

October Messy Church is on Wednesday 18 October. We gather for crafts, games and drinks at 4.30pm in the Parish Hall. There is a time of interactive worship at 5.30pm and then we have a hot meal together. Everyone welcome.

If anyone has a ministry in washing up, we'd love to have a couple of extras in the team from 5.30 to 6.30, once a month.

Trunk or Treat? A great party to invite your friends to on 31 October in North Street Hall car park. Find out more on the website <http://christchurchdownend.com/trunk-treat-downend/> or speak to Helen Buick by email children@christchurchdownend.com or on **07817 077141** or just sign up in the Welcome Space.

Mothers' Union - 4 October. Speaker is Roger Anderson speaking about porcelain.

On the Move

We have agreed a phased move-out from the Parish Church for Building4Life to begin. We'll be packing & moving in half term, 23 October. Phase One Handover - we'll vacate and hand over the east end of the church, Crèche room, Prayer Room, Crypt & old Boiler Room by 30 October. Phase Two Handover will take place after clearing out from the Baptisms on 5 November. We won't have access to any part of the building from then on. This means that the following will be the final events in the Parish Church, and the first events in their new location.

Event	Last Date In Church	First Date In New Venue
Tuesday Open Church	24 Oct	31 Oct @ Youth Hub
Thursday Communion	26 Oct	2 Nov Parish Hall
Creche, Sparklers, Connected, Faith	29 Oct	12 Nov Christ Church Junior School
6.30 Service	29 Oct	12 Nov Parish Hall
10.30 Service	5 Nov	12 Nov CCJ

We'll provide you with handouts in the coming weeks to explain the detail, and particularly Christ Church Junior School where all our Sunday 10.30 activities will take place. See our On The Move blog post for pictures of the Juniors Main Hall here: <http://christchurchdownend.com/christ-church-move/>. So we finally begin our great adventure, may God bless us as we go forward together in His name. **Nigel**

October Faith on the Frontline prayers - This month we are praying especially for those working in agriculture, fisheries and gardening / allotments. Is this you, or someone you know? Tell us what you would like us to pray for you or for those working in that industry. What are the pressures, the opportunities? Email Anita anitadobson@christchurchdownend.com and add your red dot to the map in the welcome space so we can pray for you.

Prayer Link - You hear of someone in crisis and you want the church to get praying. How? As of 1st October, you can call or email Mary Freestone and she'll pass on the prayer request to a group, who will pray as soon as they receive the message. Remember to check with the person concerned that they are happy for the prayer request to go public. If you believe in the power of prayer and want to be one of these prayer warriors, give your details to Mary and she will add to her list. If possible, your email address is best, but for those not on email you can give your phone number. We'd love more people to join in. Prayer works! This used to be called the prayer chain, and we are so grateful to Pat Hocking for running this ministry for several years. **Mary Freestone** 0117 956 6630 ianandmaryfreestone@gmail.com

We will be sorting the Church library books, currently stored in the Prayer room, and reducing the number of them. There will be books for sale in the welcome space soon, keep a look out. We will be keeping a smaller library for when the Church re-opens. Any questions, speak to **Anita**.