

Christ Church Prayer Life

Times to pray and monthly prayer points to pray specifically for each area of Christ Church



“Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,
whose confidence is in him.
They will be like a tree planted by the water,
That sends out its roots by the stream.
It does not fear when heat comes,
Its leaves are always green
It has no worries in a year of drought
And never fails to bear fruit.”
Jeremiah 17:7 –8

Personal Prayer Needs

If you would value prayer, we would be delighted to pray with you, please speak to one of the service leaders or preachers after any service.

If you would like to receive deeper prayer ministry, please contact Pauline Pearce for an appointment on 0117 9563917.

July & August 2017

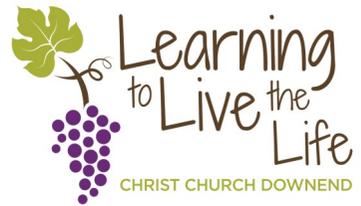
How can we pray and when can we pray?

Summer opportunities for prayer:

Mondays at 9.15am Morning Prayer

(except 7 & 28 Aug)

Wednesdays 7am #ThyKingdomeCome
prayer



Once a month there is a meeting for **Prayer for Persecuted Christians**, **our next one is on** Tuesday 15 August 9.30am at 39 Cleeve Hill. An hour of prayer with material from Open Doors.

There is prayer before each service & at Messy Church, before Jigsaw and before /after each youth evening too. Anyone is welcome to join in these times of prayer.

Discipleship

Over the summer, groups stop. Pray for families under strain; for single parents apart from children while they are holidaying with the other parent; for single people who find the summer difficult as the emphasis is often on families doing things together.

Doorways team will be ongoing but without Kathy Prosser: pray that we can work effectively to help the whole congregation see the opportunities for everyone to flourish whatever their disability.

That we will be able to identify and make a stronger link with those vulnerable or on the edge of things, so that they can grow in faith and mission.

Wholeness

Pray for Kathy Prosser as she moves into a chaplaincy role in local residential homes and hospital visiting after a sabbatical over the summer.

Pray for the future of pastoral ministry as we seek a new co-ordinator, and for the team who will be working together to gather and co-ordinate concerns in the interim: Frances Kirby, Liz and Pete Misselbrook, Deb Turpin and Barbara Tooby, with Jo Vickery overseeing the group.

Resources

We give thanks to God for the faithful giving of so many which enables our ministry and mission to continue to flourish and bear fruit for his kingdom.

Pray for meetings in July with the leadership group of Christ Church Junior School to plan for our use of their premises from this autumn for our Sunday 10.30 service and activities.

Pray for the Giving4 Life team, who oversee our church finances, as they meet in early July. And particularly for Jamie Paddon as he chairs this group and currently undertakes the role as our Church Treasurer.

Children

Pray for Charlie Walker who is stepping down from the Children's ministry lead, that she will sense the Lord's guiding and presence moving forward. Pray that God will provide us with the leadership we need.

Pray for our children's work, that all that has been sown and nurtured up till now will continue to thrive and bear fruit. That faithful and faith filled workers will be provided for every area of children's ministry.

Creative Media

Pray for fresh & effective ways to share the Alpha publicity with our personal friendships and with our community via social media.

Pray for time to make more Faith on the frontline films with Richard Hawkes.

Pray for photos and stories to add to our new poster series that Ian Browne is creating, focussing on people's stories at Christ Church.



Youth

Praise God and give thanks for a wonderful youth weekend away where many of our young people took a huge step closer to Jesus.

Praise God and give thanks for the start of 2 new weekly youth meetings: Tuesday Drop-In for Yr 6 and Elev8 Bible Study for Yrs 9 and above.

Pray for Holy Spirit guidance when planning the programme for autumn/winter.

Pray for the Team India trip that they will know God's protection and guidance throughout their stay.

Leadership Development and Worship

Give thanks for the prayerful response to the invitation to give to the B4L project and the generosity of many people so far as more catch the vision and begin to see the potential fruit ahead.

Give thanks for our C in the Park: churches together day family event for all the community, including open air worship and the prayer tent.

Pray that we will reach our target of £952,000 by end of August so work can begin in October on our Building4Life project..

Mission and Outreach

Pray for young people preparing to serve this summer through overseas Mission Trips and at Youth Camps across the country. Pray too for the young people who will attend these camps, for a real openness to the gospel.

Continue to pray for friends and family to come to know Christ – and for ongoing use of the prayer bands and bookmarks from 'Thy Kingdom Come'. Pray for members of the congregation to be bold in inviting others to the Alpha Course.

Jane White will be retiring from her role as CAP Manager next May. Pray for wisdom and God's guidance in the recruitment of the next Centre Manager.