

Christ Church Monthly News

...what's on and when, how to join in and what to pray for...



Worship & Prayer

Sunday morning services:

9.15am: Morning Worship at Quakers Road

10.30am: Christ Church. Sermon series - Practices for developing a faith sharing culture

1st October: 10.30am Harvest all-age celebration at CC. Donations welcome for CAP and St James Priory

8th October: Weekend Away Launch

Sunday evening services:

8th October: 6.30pm Prayer Meeting at Quakers Road - praying for the QR area + School Chaplaincy

15th October: 6.30pm Celtic Service, Christ Church

6th/7th October and 3rd/4th November: 7pm-7pm – OCOD 24hour prayer

31st October: 7.45pm - 9pm in the Garden Room - CAP prayer meeting
(supporting the work of CAP in prayer)



Discipleship

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Would you like to be a part of one of our **Life Groups**? These are small groups of 8-12 people who meet in homes on a regular basis to study the Bible and pray, with the aim of helping each other be more like Jesus in our everyday lives. Please contact Anita if you would like to join or require more information.

Coming up...

9th October: 7.30pm Life Group leadership meeting in the Garden Room



Mission

Contact Paul

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Christ Church seeks to be generous in its support of various mission agencies and currently supports 6 projects financially through a tithe on our income from people's giving. These are an Indian Orphanage, the local CAP Centre, Misha Hiorescu's ministry in Moldova, Ben and Katy Ray in Tanzania, Open Doors working with persecuted believers across the world, and Richard and Jan Bacon's work in Uganda with Mission Direct. Every 3 years we review our commitments and provide an opportunity for people to propose new or existing projects for support and partnerships. All projects put forward must have at least two people or a life group willing to be mission champions for that project. You can find full details and the nomination form [here](#) on the website - www.christchurchdownend.com
Deadline for submissions is 03/11/2023.

Coming Up....

Thursday 19th October - Dementia Friendly Cafe (Warm Space Cafe), 11am - 2pm. Our Dementia Friendly Cafe runs on the 3rd Thursday of every month.

Tuesday 24th October - Vintage Adventure at Quakers Road, 2pm - 4pm

Sunday 12th November - Remembrance/Thanksgiving Service, 6.30pm

CAP Christmas Hampers - More details to follow

Young People

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We give thanks for the two Thursday youth groups, Ignite (6.30-7.45pm Years 6, 7 & 8) and Ignite+ (8-9.15pm Years 9, 10 & 11) which are up and running, full of fun, family and faith. For more information on our Youth groups, please see: [Ignite Youth Group Downend Bristol](http://igniteyouth-christchurchdownend.co.uk) (igniteyouth-christchurchdownend.co.uk).

Prayer points:

Pray for leaders and our young people as the Kintsugi Hope Wellbeing Course starts at Wednesday night Elev8 on 11th October.

Pray for all our young people to connect with God through creation in our Serving Sunday Wetland Project on the 15th October

Pray for a successful Team India 2023 fundraising event 7-9pm Wednesday 4th October, where we will be raising funds for both Team India and the Music Train.

Coming up...

Wednesday 4th October - Music Train, 7pm - 9pm. Raising funds for Team India. Adults £10 (£15 for 2), U18 £2. Tickets available from the Parish Office.

Children & Families

Contact Harriet
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This is a really exciting time for children's ministry! Not only with our wonderful children on a Sunday, but we are building connections with our local schools. We have 5 prayer space days in local schools booked in over the next term. If you would like to be part of this in any way, or find out more about what is happening, I would be happy to chat to you.

Faith at Home - Are you looking for new ways to share faith at home? Look out for the 'Faith at home' table on Sunday 1st October for ideas, activities and suggestions for how to include prayer, bible reading and faith as part of daily family life.

Prayer points:

Please pray for all the children, school staff, & team for prayer spaces and schools work - it's really exciting to be reaching so many children. We would love them to experience something of God's love.

Invitation to prayerfully consider if God is calling you to be part of children's ministry - they are our future!

Coming Up....

31st October - Trunk or Treat - more details to come of this fun, happy alternative to halloween!



Opportunities to Serve

Children's Team Helpers required - We are seeking some volunteers who would be willing to help with the Children's team on a Sunday morning. Please speak to Harriet if you feel God's leading.

CCI Governor needed - Please contact Jenny Sheppard - jennypsheppard@hotmail.co.uk to find out more details.

Pastoral

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If you know of a pastoral need please contact carecoordinators@christchurchdownend.com or phone the Parish Office on 0117 9089867. We are volunteers from Christ Church offering care, spiritual support, a listening ear, praying, encouraging and Holy Communion at home. We are here to support. Please contact us. Philip Rowe.