



Christ Church Beckenham

Bulletin

Welcome to Christ Church

Christ Church is part of Churches Together in Beckenham. We welcome all who are visitors and newcomers to our church. In this bulletin you can find all you need to know about what is happening this week and what else is going on at Christ Church. If you are new to the church, please pick up a copy of our Welcome Booklet from the back of the church.

Services Today:

8:00am

HOLY COMMUNION - Joe Whiting

'Reaching Up - Make an offering'
Genesis 22:1-19 (page 22 in church bibles)

10:30am

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'Reaching Up - Make an offering'
Genesis 22:1-19

6:30pm

THE SUNDAY CONVERSATION

Justyn Rees Larcombe

(Refreshments are served after our 10:30am service and at 6.30pm before The Sunday Conversation starts at 7pm. Please come and join us).



Coffee rota:

20th January - Gale HG (am)

27th January - Meeting Point (am); Burton HG (pm)

Children's and Youth Activities today:

- **Children @ 10.30am** come into church for a time of worship then leave for Sunday School in the halls:
 - Climbers: 3 year old - School Year 2; Explorers: Y3 - 6; Pathfinders: Y7- 9; Sunday Line: Y10-11.
 - There is a crèche for under 3s available in the choir vestry when children leave for Sunday School.
- Parents are responsible for their children as soon as Sunday School has finished. Please collect at 11.45am, before coffee. Children should not be left in the Halls unattended.

CHRIST CHURCH
BECKENHAM
KIDS

Youth Fellowship (Y10+) The Junction meet in the Halls from 6.15pm to 8.15pm.

Our mission is ...

What's on at Christ Church Beckenham...

Monday 21	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - <i>details at the back of church</i>
	7.30pm Worship Team Rehearsal in church until 9.30pm
Tuesday 22	7.15am Prayer Breakfast in the Lounge, all welcome
	10.00am Meeting Point (women's Bible study) in the Lounge
	11.45am Community Lunch chair based exercises. Doors open 11.30am.
	12.30pm Community Lunch. Doors open at 12.15pm. Book a place on 0208 650 3847 or sign the sheet at the back of church.
	2.00pm Social, games and Craft afternoon - all welcome (Ends 4pm)
	6.00pm Beaver Colony and Cub Pack meet
	7.30pm Track Group for years 10 to 11, ends 8.45pm
Wednesday 23	10.00am Baby & Toddlers in the halls
	2.00pm Carers Together in church - Are you a carer? Do join us.
	7.45pm An evening with Dick & Caroline, Main Hall, starts 8pm
Thursday 24	<i>The church office is closed today</i>
Friday 25	8.15pm Christ Church Singers' practice
	9.40pm Street Pastors in the High Street until 2am
Saturday 26	8.30am Ladies' Breakfast - <i>signing up sheet at the back of church</i>
	9.15am Prayer for Christ Church. We meet in the Lea Wilson Room for an hour. Do join us if you can.
	10.00am Church open from 10am to 12noon
Sunday 27	8.00am HOLY COMMUNION: Rob Hinton 'Reaching Down - The Burning Bush' Exodus 3:1-10
	9.30am Junior Choir practice in the Lea Wilson Room
	9.50am Building to Bless Prayer Group in the choir vestry
	10.30am MORNING PRAISE: Rob Hinton 'Reaching Down - The Burning Bush' Exodus 3:1-10
	4.30pm AFTERNOON PRAISE: Clive Grinham 'Esther - New Queen on the Throne' Esther 2:1-18

New Year – New You? CCB needs your help!

As part of our ministry in church, and our aim of love overflowing to each other and beyond, please consider whether you may be able to help as part of a CCB team in the following areas:

Welcome Team (Sidespersons): we offer welcome and practical support to all attending our Sunday worship services - a “once a month” regular commitment with good fellowship within your team. Please talk to Vivienne Bowman.

Parish Newsletter Distribution: we aim to deliver a newsletter to every home in our Parish three times each year and have gaps for a number of streets. Please talk to Cathy Baker.

Saturday “Open Church”: we currently open church to visitors between 10-12 am on Saturdays and this is much appreciated by visitors and congregation alike. This involves perhaps 2 or 3 Saturdays each year, but it would be lovely to have more volunteers – and even to consider the possibility of other times in the week, if support allows. Please talk to Lesley Foster.

After-Service Hospitality: we currently offer coffee & tea after our 10.30, 4.30 and 6.30 services, usually via Home Groups, but this is proving challenging despite being a popular ministry! If you might be able to offer to be part of a team for one service each month, or especially to put together a small team of, say, 4 people for a service, that would be much appreciated. Please talk to Vivienne Bowman.

If you have other gifts and abilities that you would like to share within our congregation, do pray about how these might be used, and talk to one of the Team! Thank you.

Please contact Vivienne Smith if you are able to offer a team or would like to be placed in a team to provide a main course for our **Recovery Course**, running Wednesdays from 30th January to 8th May. The meal will need to be served at 7pm and your team should be able to leave shortly after 7.30. Please contact Vivienne direct or via the church office to select a date or to find out more information.

Please join with other churches in Beckenham at the

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2019

- PRAYING FOR SLOVENIA

**FRIDAY 1ST MARCH, ST JAMES' CHURCH,
ST JAMES'S AVENUE, @ 10.30AM**

A service for everyone

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
(A WOMEN LED, GLOBAL, ECUMENICAL MOVEMENT)



1st March 2019

Theme: ‘Come - Everything Is Ready!’

Everything is ready and the invitation is for everyone who is able, to join this Day of Prayer. Women of Slovenia, one of the smallest and youngest countries in Europe, have prepared this year's service and they encourage us to reflect on the barriers they have faced since the end of the Second World War when their country was a part of Yugoslavia, a Marxist social republic. They share the challenges they have met and the hopes they have for the future.

Join with us on 1st March and over 120 countries. It begins in Samoa and prayer in native languages travels throughout the world - through Asia, Africa the Middle East, Europe and the Americas before finishing in American Samoa some 38 hours later.

Come and be part of this great wave of prayer. (You will find St James' Church in St James's Avenue near Elmers End roundabout: buses 194, 54, 356, 358, 367 with parking possible around the church)

Prayer for the Third Sunday of Epiphany

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen

Please pray for all items in this bulletin and for:

- The family and friends of **Chris Porteous** who died on 23rd December. Chris's funeral will take place on Monday 21st January 2019 at 1pm at All Saints Parish Church, Church House, Kent Gardens, Birchington, Kent, CT7 9RS.
 - The **Weddell family**: please pray for Bill who is in the PRUH following a stroke at New Year, Rhoda for her ongoing care in a Nursing Home and for their daughters, Carys and Ruth, for strength and guidance as they continue to coordinate the care needs for both their parents. (If you are thinking of visiting Bill, please remember that his first name is Thomas!).
 - The **Lancaster/Barrett family**: Anne, at home and in considerable pain. Please pray for strength and endurance and for guidance for the upcoming medical referral appointment later on in January. Please also remember Barbara (Anne's mum) who is in the new rehabilitation centre in Queen Mary's, Sidcup – please pray for peace and guidance regarding her future care.
 - Please remember all those who are continuing with ongoing medical treatment, those who are awaiting the results of medical tests, their family members and friends and all those working in the medical field in whatever capacity.
 - Those who cannot or cannot usually get to church - Jill Amos, Audrey Anderson, Elizabeth Birch, Barbara Brand, Audrey Carter, Gaius and Nest Davies, Joe Gilbert, Peggy McGill, Jean Mills, Michael and Heidi Sanderson, Bert Sandford, Allen Stoffel, Annette Styles, Elizabeth Swaffield, Celia Tickner, David Vevers, Rhoda Weddell.
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Dick and Caroline, CMS in Africa

We are in the UK for six weeks on home leave, visiting churches and sharing the vision of Theological Education Development Services (TEDS). Since we last visited CCB in July 2017, the Lord has answered many prayers: we found a sponsor for some of the TEDS work in the Overseas Council of Australia (OCA); we found a theological college for which to base the programme at George Whitefield College (GWC) in Cape Town; we managed to gain residency for South Africa and moved to Cape Town in August 2018.

While we were still in Kenya, we ran a training workshop for academic administrators of theological colleges belonging to the Africa Inland Church and another workshop for lecturers at Anglican colleges in East Africa. Since moving to South Africa and setting up the TEDS office officially, we have returned to Kenya to train new Anglican bishops in developing diocesan programmes in theological education, provided training for a distance learning programme at GWC, and written curriculum documents for lecturer training at GWC at both certificate and postgraduate diploma levels. In addition, we have written a programme for training future theological lecturers of the Anglican Church of Nigeria, who will come to GWC for two 6-week sessions in 2019.

We leave the UK on 31st January and go straight to Kenya to run a follow up workshop for participants of East African training programme.