



WELCOME to our service today at Christ Church! We thank you for joining us today as we meet to worship our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray that you will be blessed and feel a part of His family here. If you are new please make yourself known to us. Please do fill in the **New @** leaflet from the holder behind the welcome desk and pass it to one of the team. Do stay after the service for refreshments and a chat. If you would value prayer for any concern, do see the prayer ministry team who are always available after any



Open Doors

60 years of serving persecuted Christians

"If one part of the body suffers, every part suffers with it."

(1 Corinthians 12:26)

"We all stand together or we don't stand at all."

Open Doors stands with persecuted Christians and churches worldwide. It not only supplies Bibles, leadership training and literacy programmes, but also livelihood support and advocacy services.

There are two reasons why we are drawing your attention to Open Doors at this time in particular...

- Firstly, **The Hope for the Middle East** petition is part of a 7-year campaign uniting the global church to ensure that every person in the Middle East, no matter what their faith, has a home, a future and a voice. It will be presented to our government and the United Nations early in December. The petition has already opened doors with the government and those whose decisions will directly affect the future of the church in Syria and Iraq. It is unthinkable that Islamic extremism should drive the church from the Middle East - the birthplace of Christianity.
If you haven't already done so, please do sign the petition at the back of church TODAY OR NEXT SUNDAY. This is one way we can stand with them, together.
- Secondly, we warmly invite you to stand (or sit) with us and others on Monday 27th November at the back of church from 7.30-8.30pm, to pray for those for whom to be a Christian can mean harassment, imprisonment and even death.

We are encouraged that Andy and Claire Tufnell are also active supporters of Open Doors, having several friends who live and work in the Middle East and other nations that need our prayer!

Chris Roseblade and Adeline Robinson

GLOBAL GIFTS SALE

Saturday 18th November 2-5 pm in the church hall, Lime Grove Avenue. Sale of cakes, jams, jewellery, cards gifts, refreshments and some house ware to raise money for our missionaries. If you can bake cakes or help on the day please contact Mary Stanley. 07855 603461.

1000K CYCLE RIDE

Stephen Scott is undertaking a **1000k** charity cycle ride in East Africa 18th Nov – 2nd Dec. (Tanzania to Congo). He is riding for 4 vocational educational charities working in Africa and one Christian youth charity based in Kent. He will be away for 3 weeks so please remember Bridget as well!

More information is at the back of Church and can be found at www.virginmoneygiving.com/stephenscott12 or by speaking to Stephen/Bridget at church or contacting him on 07787 520591, 0115 837 9402 or stephendscott@btinternet.com.

SERVICES – 19th November '17

9 AM – Holy Communion 1

A confidence established by the Spirit

1 John 4 v1-15, John 3 v1-6

10.45 AM – Morning Worship Thanksgiving

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7.00PM – Celebration Service

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NEWS

CALLING ALL SINGERS:

The Carol Service needs a choir!

The Annual Carol Service is on December 17th and we will start practices at 7.30pm in church, on Friday November 24th. Further practices are on Dec 1st, 8th and 15th. All standards of singers are welcome: you don't necessarily have to read music although it helps, as I provide music files to listen to where possible.

Each year, we welcome more men to join us as it is very hard to make three men sound like a choir. Young people of Y5 and above are also welcome.

Please let me know if you can join us, by email if possible.

Pam Price (9177427)
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PRE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAYRE Sat 25th November 2-4pm.

Please come and support Christ Church Pre School's Christmas fayre. Fantastic games stalls and children's games.

CREATIVE PEOPLE?

We are looking for 1-2 volunteers who are gifted and familiar with creating digital artwork. Initially we require a set of posters designing for our 3 services and another one for Worship on Wednesday. If you feel you could help on an ad hoc basis to create material for church, please contact the church office.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

St Barnabas are having a Christmas Tree Festival on Saturday 2nd December

10am-4pm. Refreshments, music and carols and family craft. Free entry, all are welcome.

SHOEBOXES

Huge thank you to Dawn & Janis & everyone who contributed to creating 53 shoe boxed gifts for Operation Christmas Child last Saturday. We will be delivering all the boxes to the Notts collection point on Thursday 16th November at 12pm & will hopefully find out their destination this year! So there's still time to pop any extra completed boxes at the back of church if you'd like to. Thanks again. Karen Scott

NEPAL LEPROSY TRUST

Nepal Leprosy Trust (NLT) is a Christian organisation which cares for people affected by leprosy in Nepal. If you would like to support NLT in prayer, then please collect the latest newsletter from the back of church, or have a copy emailed by contacting Liz and Dave at jordridge@gmail.com

GETTING TO KNOW OUR NEW VICAR

The Rev Andy Tufnell will be paying his first visit to this month's **Worship on Wednesday on 29th November** (3pm). Please come and hear the story of his faith journey that brought him to train for ministry, to ordination and, now, to be Vicar of Chilwell. It will be an afternoon when Songs of Praise meets Desert Island Discs as he is interviewed by Colin Slater and chooses hymns from some significant moments in his life, including his Confirmation, Ordination and his Wedding to Claire. Afterwards, over tea/coffee and cake, there will be a chance to

meet Andy informally. This is an ideal opportunity to invite a friend and to help you to do this there are some cards at the back of church to hand to friends

CALLING ALL CHRISTMAS VOLUNTEERS

Christmas Craft will soon be here and we need your help! On Dec 9th from 3-5pm, we need people to help at a craft table, tell stories, serve drinks or help set up or take down. If you can help in any way please speak to Greer or email her at gejones15@gmail.com

PARISH CHRISTMAS CARD 2017 ANNUAL WALK ROUND

We are excited to announce that our annual parish Christmas card with a front cover designed by Simeon Lord, who is part of Pathfinders, has been sent to the printer on Wednesday. Delivery is due for the 24th November.

This year Rev Andy was keen to include all services including St Barnabas Inham Nook and for those households to receive the card too. The card requires delivering to all households in our parish; again we have been blessed with delivery help from Chilwell Scouts this year. Unfortunately they cannot deliver all the cards and Andy is keen for small groups, other church groups and members to take an active role in this, especially in the Inham Nook and Field Lane areas. Please contact the office w/c 27th November if you can help. During this time the cards will be displayed in street names for you to collect bundles. Thank you

CHURCH PRAYER MEETING

Please join us on Friday mornings from 9.15am in the Upper Room