

# Christ Church C of E

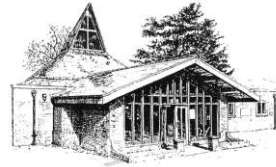
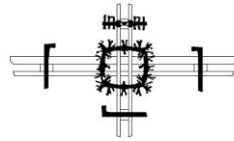
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## Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2012

### Welcome to Christ Church

We extend a very warm welcome to everyone.

#### Services today

8.00 am Holy Communion in St Mary's Chapel

9.30 am Morning Worship

*Mark 2:23-3:6*

*Refreshments* - the service will be followed by refreshments – please do stay and share some fellowship together.

*For those with children* - Flames (Sunday School) meets together in the Headgate Room every Sunday during term time. All primary age children are very welcome and those who are younger too, if accompanied by an adult. Please do ask the door stewards for directions.

*Hearing loop* – there is a hearing loop in the building. If you use a hearing aid please set it to “4”.

7.00 pm Everything you need to know to impact the world

#### Services this week

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February

8.30 am Morning Prayer

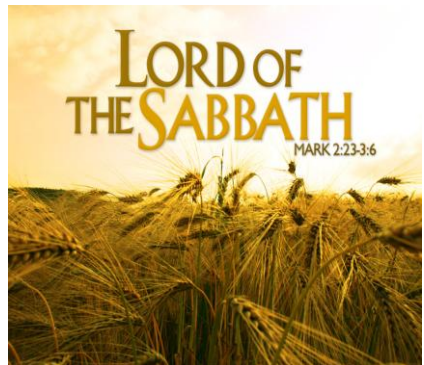
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February

10.00 am Holy Communion

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February

8.30 am Morning Prayer

*All these services take place in St Mary's Chapel*



*Christ Church Anglican Congregation Vision Statement*

*“Through our worship, mission, nurture and service we want to enable all people to enter into a living relationship with Jesus Christ”*

## **The Week Ahead**

### **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February**

10.00 am Coffee +

### **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>**

8.30 am Morning Prayer in St Mary's Chapel

10.00 am Time Together on Tuesday

*A time for pre-school children and their parents and carers – NB all children must be accompanied by an adult*

3.30 pm TnT after school club

*For children and their parents and carers to have fun exploring the Christian faith – NB all children must be accompanied by an adult*

### **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>**

10.00 am Holy Communion in St Mary's Chapel

### **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>**

8.30 am Morning Prayer in St Mary's Chapel

### **Friday 10<sup>th</sup>**

6.00 pm Crusaders

*Games, Bible stories, crafts, fun and friends for children aged 5-11 years*

### **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>**

10.00 am Prayer for Healing

*An opportunity to come and be prayed for or to have a chat over a cup of tea or coffee*

### **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>**

9.30 am Holy Communion

7.00 pm Everything you need to know to impact the world

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## **WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE.**

2<sup>nd</sup> March 201

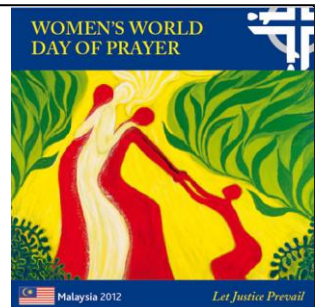
This year's service has been arranged by the Christian women of Malaysia and is entitled 'Let Justice Prevail'.

Speaker Major Margaret House, S.A.

10.15am at St. Peter's Church, North Hill;

followed by refreshments.

Everyone welcome – men, women and children.



**Gathering worship:** O perfect love, O perfect sacrifice, There is a higher throne, Praise is rising

**Welcome:**

*Please stand*

The Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns.

**Let us rejoice and shout for joy, giving God the glory.**

As God's people we have gathered:

**let us worship him together.**

**Hymn of praise:** Jesus is Lord

**Faithful one, whose word is life: come with saving power to free our praise, inspire our prayer and shape our lives for the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

*Please sit*

*Time together with Flames with song Lord I lift your name on high*

**We say sorry to God:**

**We have come together in the name of Christ to offer our praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive God's holy word, to pray for the needs of the world, and to seek the forgiveness of our sins, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may give ourselves to the service of God.**

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.

Let us confess our sins.

**O God, our gracious Father, we confess that we have sinned against you and done many things to hurt you: we have often been selfish, we have sometimes forgotten to pray, and we have not loved you as we should. For these and all our other sins forgive us, we pray, through him who died for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

*Absolution*

**Praise:**

*Please stand*

Blessed is the Lord,  
**for he has heard the voice of our prayer;**

Therefore shall our hearts dance for joy  
**and in our song will we praise our God.**

May Christ your light ever dawn in our hearts as we offer you our sacrifice of thanks and praise. Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

**Blessed be God for ever.**

**Songs:** Lord I come longing, My Jesus my saviour

*Space for prayer and thanksgiving*

**Eternal God, whose Son went among the crowds and brought healing with his touch: help us to show his love, in your Church as we gather together, and by our lives as they are transformed into the image of Christ our Lord. Amen**

**New Testament reading:** Mark 2:23 - 3.6 *Please sit*

One Sabbath Jesus was going through the cornfields, and as his disciples walked along, they began to pick some ears of corn.

24:The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath?"

25:He answered, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need?

26:In the days of Abiathar the high priest, he entered the house of God and ate the consecrated bread, which is lawful only for priests to eat. And he also gave some to his companions."

27:Then he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath.

28:So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath."

3:1:Another time he went into the synagogue, and a man with a shrivelled hand was there.

2:Some of them were looking for a reason to accuse Jesus, so they watched him closely to see if he would heal him on the Sabbath.

3:Jesus said to the man with the shrivelled hand, "Stand up in front of everyone."

4:Then Jesus asked them, "Which is lawful on the Sabbath: to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?" But they remained silent.

5:He looked round at them in anger and, deeply distressed at their stubborn hearts, said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was completely restored.

6:Then the Pharisees went out and began to plot with the Herodians how they might kill Jesus.

**Song:** O perfect love

*Please stand*

**Talk:**

*Please sit*

Time for prayer and reflection

*Please stand*

**Credal song:** I believe there is a God in heaven

**The Prayers:**

*Please sit*

**The Lord's Prayer:**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen**

***Notices***

**Offertory hymn:** Lord of the church

*Please stand*

**The Blessing**

**Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

And the blessing..



**3rd March 2012**

*A country stroll around Wormingford area with pub lunch*

*This is a gentle walk for all ages and stages in life. For those who wish to join us for lunch we look forward to meeting you at the pub.*

*Please sign up in the church foyer or contact John Sams 01206 530586 or [john@sams.me.uk](mailto:john@sams.me.uk) for further information*

**Be together – be fit – be fed**

**Everything you need to know to impact the world**

**Sunday evenings starting 29<sup>th</sup> January at 7.00 pm**

Over 5 consecutive Sunday evenings the Revd Kenny Borthwick will speak about the last great prayer of Jesus from John 17.

Each evening will begin with refreshments followed by worship and DVD presentation. At the end of the evening there will be time for reflection and prayer. Please consider coming along to this wonderful teaching opportunity. Bring friends to – all are welcome.

## **Jesus Ministry 1 Conference**

This is a great opportunity to engage with the foundational truths of this ministry and also receive prayer ministry that will enable you to embrace the freedom in Christ already won for you.

Flyers are available in the foyer, for more information please contact Glyn Norrington.

To ensure a place book online now at [www.ccfulham.com](http://www.ccfulham.com)

## **"It changed my life"** (Yr.9 girl)

Find out how a new era in schools work is transforming the lives of young people and having an impact on schools.

With interactive sessions on Chaplaincy in Schools, Beloved (self esteem course for girls), Money Management & CAP and Primary Schools. Come and be part of the conversation - we couldn't do this without you.

The CYO Open Evening. 8pm-10pm Monday 20 February 2012. Kingsland Church, 86 London Road, Lexden CO3 9DW (Above Aldi). More info from 01206 863835 [mail@cvocolchester.ora.uk](mailto:mail@cvocolchester.ora.uk)

## **Street Pastor Training**

Interested in becoming a Street Pastor?



The next training course runs through during spring 2012.

You can find out more at an evening that will include Stories from the team and news about the training course. Friday 24th February 2012, 8pm, at St. Botolph's Church Hall.

Contact us for more information: email:

[colchester@streetpastors.org.uk](mailto:colchester@streetpastors.org.uk)

Phone or text: 07855 902827

# PRAYER

## *The World*



*Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.*  
1 Peter 5:7

- The situation in Egypt – remember those who lost loved ones when 74 people died at a football match
- Malawi where floods have destroyed homes, crops, livestock and roads in the Lower Shire. Remember also the people of neighbouring Mozambique who have also been affected.
- Give thanks that the UN have reported an end to the famine in Somalia following improved access to food is due to a good harvest and significant humanitarian assistance
- Eastern Australia where thousands have been cut off or evacuated because of severe flooding.
- Those affected by the severe cold weather across Europe which has led to many deaths
- Syria
- Nigeria
- Pakistan where 5 million people are affected by floods leading to disease and malnutrition.
- Afghanistan where more than 2.5 million people face hunger in drought-stricken areas.
- East Africa – where over 13 million people are affected by the severe drought and lack of basic food, water and medical supplies.
- Fiji, Thailand, Vietnam, Central America and Cambodia affected severely with flooding and landslides.
- All those who face lack of clean water, starvation and homelessness.
- The many troubled areas of the world including Afghanistan, Egypt, Haiti, Japan, Libya, Yemen, Sudan, Ivory Coast, Uganda, Malawi, North and South Korea, Southern Africa, Malawi, Zimbabwe, Iraq, India, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Palestine, and Israel.
- Those whose lives are surrounded with war and violence.
- The European economic situation.

## *National and Local*

- Our Queen and those who govern our lands.
- Those deployed in Afghanistan and around the world.
- Those with employment and financial concerns.

## *Our own pastoral needs*

- Remember all those who are housebound.
- All those who mourn.
- Those undergoing hospital tests, recovering from surgery or who are unwell.

*If you have prayer requests, please do remember the prayer book available in the foyer to write such requests.*