

SERVICES TODAY

At Northcourt Road

9.30am ) ALL AGE WORSHIP
11.15am ) The Adventure Begins Genesis 12:1-9

John Earwicker

6.30pm NO EVENING SERVICE

At Long Furlong

10am ALL AGE WORSHIP
The Adventure Begins Genesis 12:1-9

David Lever

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- those who are unwell: David & Barbara Price, Amana, Paula Beal, Nicola Price, Bernard Tingley. Joy Batty, Rich Page (Sarah Turner's brother), Chris Rowe.
- Joy Batty and family after the death of her husband Chris.
- Tim Schneider and family after the death of his mother Rosemary.

Please contact the office if you would like your name or a friend or relative's to be included on this list. The name will remain there for six weeks or so. If the need is for continued, long-term prayer support, the name will be added to the monthly prayer diary. Please let the office know when a name can be removed from the list. Thank you.

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SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 5 AUGUST

At Northcourt Road

8am Holy Communion Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:24-35 Keith Dunnett
9.30am All Age Worship Steve & Caroline Sanderson
11.15am Morning Worship Family Quarrels Genesis 13 Kath Cooke
6.30pm Evening Service Worship The Doubt Dispeller Mark 9:14-32 Michael Green

At Long Furlong

10am All Age Worship/Holy Communion Family Quarrels Genesis 13 Ben Jeapes

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SALLY MEARS IS WALKING THE THAMES PATH (from its source to Hampton Court) which is 147 miles/ 235 km in short sections over the Summer holidays in order to raise awareness and pray for a small African charity called The Gerontius Amenity Fund. The Trustees (Sally, Hazel and Charles Murray) should be grateful if you would kindly support this venture in any way. There are leaflets available explaining that it is a small charity operating in Freetown, Sierra Leone. It aims to finance medical bills for those who have no means to afford it. Further information from GerontiusFund@gmail.com

BOARD GAMES DAY - A library of board, dice and card games available. Saturday 18 August, 10am – 10pm in Barn 2. Free entry. All welcome, under 16s must be accompanied by an adult. Bring drinks and snacks (no alcohol before 7pm please). No children after 7pm.



“Being Disciples, Making Disciples”

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES TODAY

TRINITY 9

SUNDAY 29 JULY 2018

All peoples on earth will be blessed through you. Genesis 12:3b

WELCOME

If you are new to the church, a very warm welcome to you. If you would like further information, please visit the Welcome Corner in the entrance foyer between the morning services, or fill in the welcome card in the chair and hand it to one of the service leaders or welcome team. Thank you.

SUMMER HOLIDAY SERIES BEGINS TODAY...

In the mornings we're going on Adventures with Abraham – following his story and encounters with God in Genesis. At the 9:30am at NCR and 10am at Long Furlong it will be All Age Worship; at the 11:15 at NCR it's Morning Worship. In the evenings we're picking up a series in Mark again, Authentic Jesus – part 3.

VISION PROCESS IN THE AUTUMN

Looking ahead... during the Autumn we're going to be seeking God's vision and values for Christ Church across both sites. There will be a sermon series, life group material (including temporary life groups people can join), and one-off meetings. We would like everyone to be able to take part in this, seeking God's purpose for his church in the Bible, and listening to the Holy Spirit for his specific call on Christ Church Abingdon. We'll give you more information at the start of the autumn term. Keith

PRIME TIME ACTIVITY WEEK:

Rob Beale would like volunteers to assist in setting up tables and chairs for the Prime Time Activity week on Monday morning 6 August from 9:30am to 12:30 and for Friday afternoon 10 August from 1:30 - 3:30pm.

HOLIDAY CLUB LEADERS

Holiday Club is Tuesday 28th - Friday 31st August. We have lots of children booked in (but still room for more!) so we need more adults.

We need:

- 5 more full time adults to work with the children in groups (or job-shares)
• 1 adult to work in the crèche with children of leaders
• 1 or 2 adults to do refreshments
• 2 more security people for the whole week
• Volunteers to run BBQ at the party on Friday night (31st)

Please contact Heather for further questions, or fill in a Leader's Form to apply.

## SUMMER EVENTS

Over the next six weeks there are some major events which the Christ Church family are involved in. Please hold these in prayer, *that we may stand firm in all the will of God, mature and fully assured* Col 4:12

28 Jul – 4 Aug Large group at New Wine week 1  
5-11 Aug Some on team at New Wine week 2  
7-10, 12 Aug Prime Time Activity Week  
18-22 Aug Youth at Soul Survivor  
28-31 Aug Children's Holiday Club Week

## GROWING LEADERS

Are you a leader, or about to step into a leadership role? Would you like to be led more by Jesus, lead more like Jesus, and lead more to Jesus? Then consider coming on the Growing Leaders course.

Growing Leaders for over a year, with a monthly training session (on Monday evenings and three Saturdays), and a monthly meeting with a mentor. Find out more at an **exploratory evening on Monday 10 September**, 7:30pm, in Barn 2. Course leaders: Keith, Kath, Phil, Nessa, & John Rogers.



## YOUTH INTERN OPPORTUNITY

We have an exciting intern opportunity for a university graduate, school leaver, or young adult to invest a year into the youth ministry whilst doing a New Wine discipleship year or suitable course at the same time. Details are available on the church website, or from the church office. We also welcome informal conversations with our Youth Pastor, Bea (07741 553198 / bea@cca.uk.net). Please pray the Lord will bring the right person for this role.

## CHURCH DATABASE

Over the summer we're trialling some new church management software, ChurchSuite, which if successful will make it easier to fulfil GDPR regulations, enable us to communicate much more easily to church members, and to manage groups lists and rotas (and lots of other things too). Many churches our size are finding this software is extremely helpful. We'll let you know the outcomes of the trial in September!

## NEW WINE 2019

Yes 2019. Because there are discounted rates available for New Wine 2019 at this year's summer conference (presumably to encourage people to book onto the event at its new location in Peterborough Show Ground from next year), we've had to choose which week we're going on as a church. Based on a survey of those who came last year or this year, we've opted for Week 1, Sat 27 July to Fri 2 Aug 2019.

## THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP

A reminder of a chance to meet up this week on Thursday 2 August for coffee chat and a Music Morning led by John Shore 10.30am in the Coffee Lounge. *Doreen Cooper*

**ROSEMARY SCHNEIDER** died earlier this week; her funeral will be on Monday 6 August 11.30am at South Oxfordshire Crematorium. Please do be praying for all the family.

**CHRIS BATTY** died last Sunday. All are welcome to the funeral service on Wednesday 8 August at 2pm at the chapel in Garford and tea afterwards at Cosener's House. Please pray for Joy and family.

## AUGUST PRAYER DIARY

If you'd like something in the prayer diary for August (August 5th to Sept. 9th) that reflects prayer needs for your professional life and concerns, or an organisation with which you're involved, and your surname or that of the organisation begins with letters O through to Z, then send me your request by **Tuesday 31st July**. Items to Janice Gordon, via email chriswgordon6@aol.com keeping your request brief and specific, please. Regular contributors who are on my distribution list will continue to be contacted monthly by me and should respond in that way.

## IT

We have a great IT group at Church Church, providing support and direction to IT across the disciplines including the website, hardware, advice on church computers, and AV systems. Simon Farres, who chairs the group, would value a new member who could help organise the team, and drive a plan of action forward. Please speak to Simon, or email him on simon.farres@gmail.com.

## GDPR TEAM

Mike Warner is having to step down from the GDPR Team at the end of this month and we urgently need more help to ensure that all our church data at both sites is kept safe. If you can help speak to Mike or the Church wardens asap.

**THE FOODBANK** is very short of tuna, soup, squash, meat and pasta sauce. Thank you so much for your donations.

## VISITORS from COLMAR, FRANCE in end-AUGUST, start-SEPTEMBER 2018

CiA's Church Twinning have invited 12 Christians from our twin town in Alsace for a visit to Abingdon from Thursday 30 August to Monday 3 September 2018. It is fun to meet with these people and exchange points of view. If you are interested in hosting people in your home or offering a Friday evening meal please contact Maggie Greaney 01235 534900. A programme of visits and events is being planned.

## A VISIT BACK TO FRANCE, SEPTEMBER 2018

The Church Twinning group in Argentan, Normandy have invited Christians from Abingdon, one of their twin towns, to visit over Thursday 13 to Monday 17 September 2018. This is their Heritage Weekend and an excellent programme is being arranged. Hosting is with families unless otherwise requested. If you are interested, please contact Maggie Greaney 01235 534900.

## FANTASY FOOTBALL IS BACK

We'll be continuing the church Fantasy Football league on 10 August. We have different generations playing across both sites. Existing players are able to renew. Older players are welcome back, as are any new members. The code you need is **51459-11514**. Any questions, contact Derek on del@walkercrew.plus.com.

## PART-TIME YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES MINISTER

Salary: £15.3k-£17k for 23 hours/week dependent on experience (equivalent to £25k to £27.7k full time). **Peachcroft Christian Centre** is seeking an experienced Young People and Families Minister to join our staff team on a part-time basis to help us respond to a growing need and opportunity to expand our ministry to young people and families inside and outside the Church.