

September 3rd
2023

CHRIST CHURCH
Fulwood

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GET IN TOUCH – CHURCH OFFICE

The church office is open 9.30am-12.30pm, Monday-Friday. To contact us, call or email: 01142301911 / reception@fulwoodchurch.co.uk
Please get in touch if you have any questions or need any help. You can also contact our pastoral care teams using the details below, or any member of staff using the 'Contact us' page on the church website.

PASTORAL CARE

Our pastoral care teams are ready to respond in appropriate ways to offer any support they can. If you need help, or know of anyone who does, or if you need more information, please use [our website](#).

One team is the Community team who want to help welcome newcomers and to be creative with ideas that help build up the church family and connect with the wider community.

GIVING @ CHRIST CHURCH FULWOOD

The church is funded by the generous giving of the church family. If you can, we encourage you to give joyfully in response to God's loving mercy. You can do this by: regular giving; standing order with your bank; payroll giving; via [Give a Little](#) by credit card/applepay/googlepay. Everything you need, including Gift Aid declarations, can be found on our [giving page](#). We give thanks to God for this financial sacrifice and for your partnership in the gospel.

UPCOMING SUNDAYS

SUNDAY 3 SEPTEMBER

10.30am Psalm 110 – 'A Priest Forever'
Justin Roberts

6.30pm Acts 9:1-31 – 'The surprising choice'
Matt Lawes

SUNDAY 10 SEPTEMBER

10.30am Genesis 1:1-2 – 'The Creator'
Jonny Dyer

6.30pm Mark 1:1-8 – 'What will he do?'
Pete Scamman

SUNDAY 17 SEPTEMBER

9 & 11am* Genesis 1:3-23 – 'The Creation'
Jonny Dyer

6.30pm Mark 1:9-13 – 'Who is he?'
Matthew Lawes

CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

WEEKLY PRAYER DIARY

If there are items that you would like to have included in the Prayer Diary, please send the details to PrayerDiary@Fulwoodchurch.co.uk.

Group and activity leaders: it will be helpful to receive details of your programs, if you wish the wider church to pray for them.

BIBLE TRAINING YORKSHIRE

Training ordinary Christians to hear God's voice more clearly and profoundly in His Bible so that they would grow in their own walk with God, and also be equipped to disciple others. The course happens in Doncaster one day a week during term time and you can come for a whole day or just the mornings. For more details speak to or email Rob Mullock.

1 SEPTEMBER – FUNERAL OF SALLIE PRESTON

The funeral of Sallie Preston will take place at St Luke's Church, Lodge Moor at 11.45am, Friday 1st September. You can also view the livestream [here](#).

* TWO MORNING SERVICES

From **Sunday 17 September** we'll be returning to **two morning services: at 9am and 11am**. They will be duplicate services, with youth and children's groups at both, and refreshments served after each. Find more information [here](#).

MEN BEHAVING DADLY

Dates this term: 9 September, 7 October, 4 November & 2 December. Monthly group for male carers and their under 6 year olds to meet up. Play, chat, coffee and of course bacon/sausage sandwiches. Entrance through the PreSchool Hub. Bacon/Sausage butty is £3.50.

7 SEPTEMBER – OASIS COFFEE MORNING

10.30am Thursday 7 September in the Church Centre. Refreshments and informal time with others who have experienced sadness and loss of a loved one, however long ago.

8 SEPTEMBER – FRIDAY CLUB RESTARTS

We welcome current & new members back to Friday Club on Friday 8 September. A place for all older people to meet up, chat, have refreshments, play games, do crafts, enjoy short special features, a thought of the day and also a meal once a month. Every Friday, 10am-12pm in the church building. For more info contact [Heather Wilson](#) or call on: 07941375100.

13 SEPTEMBER – CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER

Please note that this time, instead of meeting on the first week of September as usual, we will be gathering on the 13 September instead for our church family prayers. Refreshments will be served from 7.30pm, for a prompt start at 8pm.

22 SEPTEMBER– FUNERAL OF CHRISTINE CUDMORE (Christ Church Fulwood, 1.30pm)

We regret to inform you of the passing of Christine Cudmore a few weeks ago. Anyone who knew her is welcome to the thanksgiving service on Friday 22 September, at 1.30pm.

23 SEPTEMBER – COMMUNITY FUN DAY

Live music. Pizza. Mocktails. Bouncy castle. Child friendly stalls. And more.

Last of the Summer Vibe is an afternoon for all, where we'll see the summer out with some fun and hopefully the sun! Join us at Christ Church Fulwood on Saturday 23 September from 1pm – 5pm. This is an event for everyone, all ages, church family, the local community, your friends, and family so please spread the word and get inviting. Take a look at the [event poster](#) to find out more. Hope to see you there!

We're looking for some volunteers to set up, help at the event, and pack down, if you could spare a couple of hours then please email [Marie](#).

24 SEPTEMBER – NEWCOMERS MEAL

A chance, for anyone who has joined Christ Church Fulwood recently, to get to know some of our church family and staff team over a meal, and hear about our vision as a church. Please can you book so we know numbers and can cater for any dietary requirements. It will take place in the church centre, on Sunday 24 September 12.30pm. Find out more and to sign up [here](#).

30 SEPTEMBER– GARDENING

All very welcome to join and help with gardening 9am-1pm, Saturday 30 September, with refreshments around 10.30am. There is much to do as always and we enjoy a good time together. Come for as much as you can. Speak to [Fiona Lockwood](#) for more information.

30 SEPTEMBER – CAMBODIA ACTION

50th Anniversary Celebration, Fulwood Church Hall, 10.30am to 3pm. Further information & free registration [here](#) or talk to Bob Dixon (230 7586).

5, 12 & 19 OCTOBER – HOPE EXPLORED

We are running Hope Explored again this October. It is a course from the people who made Christianity Explored and is designed to help us think about finding hope through the good news of Jesus. It will run on Thursday evenings and start each time with a meal. You can come if you have questions about Christianity or just want to go over the basics again. Speak to [Matt](#) if you have any questions. You can sign up [here](#).

26 JANUARY – 3 FEBRUARY 2024 FULWOOD 20S&30S SKI TRIP

The Fulwood Ski Trip will be back in 2024! It is a great opportunity for a fun holiday, where we can build our friendships, build our faith in Jesus, and bring others in too. We are going with Gold Hill and we have exclusive access to bookings for the next few months. For more info see [here](#).

STAFF LEAVING GIFTS

Fiona Marsden will be moving on from her role as Ministry Support Assistant at Christ Church Fulwood at the end of this month to resume her work as a primary school teacher.

Ella Houghton has been serving as one of our receptionists since last year and joined the office team to provide cover for several months over the summer. She is now moving on to begin a course in September.

We are so grateful to both of them for their help and the many ways in which they have served. You can contribute to their leaving gifts [here](#) or if you prefer to give by cheque or cash you can also drop off a gift in a labelled envelope with the church office.

BURNGREAVE FOODBANK

We are desperate for donations as need is increasing all the time. These are the items we urgently need currently: cereal, tinned fruits, toilet paper, oil and hot chocolate. There is a collection point in the church centre. For information on other items to donate see the [Trussell Trust](#). If you would prefer to give money, then please do via [this link](#). Thank you so much to all who have been contributing over the summer!

OAKES MAILING

The most recent Oakes News booklets are available next to the office reception in the church centre. Please read about all the exciting things that have been happening over recent months!

September 4 – 10

PRAYER DIARY

'Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!

Romans 11:33

MONDAY 4

Pray for all starting or returning to school this week, for good and calm starts.

Also the Ukrainian group as they meet this evening to study the Bible and pray together, and for the Standing Committee this evening: for grace, wisdom and discernment.

TUESDAY 5

Pray for the Staff Away Day, for good listening, fellowship and understanding, so they serve God and the church family well.

WEDNESDAY 6

Pray for the induction of the new trainees, Abigail Heath and Amelia Harvey, this week. May they soon feel welcome and serve the church family well.

Please pray for Jane Curry who broke her femur last week on holiday in France.

THURSDAY 7

Give thanks for the Oasis Coffee Morning meeting today, offering a welcoming and caring space for those who have lost a loved one. Please pray for those who come - to know God's comfort, the support of others, and reminders of Bible promises.

FRIDAY 8

As Friday Club recommences today, pray for the team of helpers to give a warm welcome to current and new members, to work well together in loving service and to respond to opportunities to share the love of Jesus.

SATURDAY 9

Pray for Neil & Lucy, who are the only expats in their church with a licence to lead worship, teach, preach, read the Bible or pray publicly. Ask the Lord to give favour for all the "red tape" needing to be completed for an associate pastor to join them.

Pray that as Service Station meets this morning, the home group leaders will be helped and prepared for their important roles.

SUNDAY 10

Pray for Jonny Dyer preaching from Genesis 1 in the morning and Pete Scamman preaching from Mark 1 in the evening.

Pray for Chris Conn (former staff member) as he starts a new church plant today in Maidstone.

THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

May those facing trials and persecution not lose heart, being inwardly renewed day by day, knowing that their troubles are achieving for them eternal glory. May they fix their eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

(2 Co 4:16-17 NIV)



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