

April 14
2024

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:

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We'd be happy to help you if we can. 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 need more information, please use [our website](#).

One team is the **Biblical Counselling Team** who are here to walk with you through a particular problem, area of struggle, or pain of suffering, by talking, praying and reading the Bible together.

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

14 APRIL

9 & 11am John 21:1-25 – Will Sykes
'The Restoration'

6.30pm Colossians 3:1-11 – Mark Burkill
'Living the Risen Life'

21 APRIL

9 & 11am Genesis 3:1-7 – Jonny Dyer
'Temptation and the Fall'

6.30pm Acts 12:25-13:12 – Justin Roberts
'World Mission Starts'
There will be communion.

NEWS & EVENTS

ELECTORAL ROLL

If you have joined us in the last year or so (and have been part of the church family for at least 6 months), and if you have been baptised, but haven't completed an Electoral Roll form, could you please: download one [here](#) or pick up a paper copy from the table at the back of church or from the reception desk, complete it and return it to the church office or [Carolyn Edmonds](#). If you have signed an Electoral Roll form since 2019 you don't need to complete another one this year!

By law, the Electoral Roll must close 15 days before the Annual Meeting. **Monday, April 15th is the last possible date by which new Electoral Roll members must join if they want to be able to vote at the Parish Vestry Meeting and Annual Parochial Church Meeting on May 1st.**

Email Carolyn or call the church office on Monday mornings for more information.

20 APRIL – MINISTRY PARTNERSHIP TEAM

The Ministry Partnership Team is made of people from different ages and church-backgrounds, who go out in 2s or 3s to take services for small chapels or churches in and around Sheffield on Sundays. In these groups, one person organises and leads the service; another preaches; and a third assists by doing readings and prayers.

Our next prayer meeting is on Saturday 20 April at 10am in the church centre. If you'd like to know a bit more about what we do or support us in prayers, please come and join us.

20 APRIL – SOJOURNER (9am-3.15pm)

Join us at Christ Church Central for a networking event, for anyone involved with Christian Ministry among Asylum Seekers in their churches. It will be a time to share with one another what is working well and lessons learnt from what has not worked. Book [here](#) (it's free) and bring your own lunch!

21 APRIL – MEMORIAL SERVICE (2.30pm)

This is a service to remember and give thanks for loved ones who have passed away. Please let us know you are coming by signing up [here](#).

22 APRIL – PRISON FELLOWSHIP

All welcome to join with Alison and Roger Tanner on Monday April 22, 8-9pm in the church centre to hear updates about and pray for the work of the *Prison Fellowship*.

1 MAY – PARISH VESTRY MEETING & ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

The Parish Vestry Meeting (to elect our two Churchwardens) and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place in the church building on Wednesday, May 1st at 7.30pm. Bill Thomas and Emily Davies, our current church wardens are both stepping down so we will be electing 2 new wardens. Please do speak to one of them if you are interested in standing for election for these important roles.

Join with our church family to hear ministry updates and elect 7 new Parochial Church Council members. The agenda for the meetings, church accounts and reports will be available soon.

Please be considering if God is calling you to serve Him and the church family by standing for election for PCC. If you want to ask questions about what that involves or would like more information, please contact Bill or Emily, or Paul Dodd or Alison Linsky, our 2 deputy church wardens, or a member of the PCC (all the PCC members are listed on the [church website](#)).

Nomination forms for prospective PCC members are available [here](#) along with a document explaining how the PCC works [here](#). Prospective PCC members should be nominated and seconded and should provide a short explanation about why they want to stand for PCC, their previous areas of service within the church (if any), and their views on the challenges and encouragements facing the PCC over the next few years. They must have been on the Electoral Roll for at least 6 months and their proposers and seconders must be on the Electoral Roll. For more information, contact Emma Graves or Carolyn Edmonds.

12 MAY – ADULT BAPTISMS & RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS (Evening Sunday service)

We'll have an Adult Baptism Service on Sunday 12 May in the evening service. It will also be an opportunity to renew baptism vows for those baptised as infants. To find out more please speak to a staff member you know, or if not sure contact [Matthew Lawes](#).

9 JUNE – FULWOOD FÊTE

We are glad to have a stall at the Fulwood Fête again this year. If you would like to be involved, manning the stall, running games, and chatting to people, then please contact [Becky McMinn](#).

FUNERAL – ROSEMARY HARRIS

Rosemary Harris, who served on the staff team at Fulwood as 'Director of Pastoring and Training', died peacefully in the Royal Hallamshire Hospital on Monday, April 8th. Rosemary, who also preached occasionally here, had previously served with European Christian Mission and was a Council member of the Keswick Convention. After retirement she headed up Friday Club and served on the chaplaincy team at St Luke's Hospice. Rosemary's thanksgiving service will be held at Christ Church Fulwood on a date to be announced.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

CLEANING KITCHENS/CATERING

We need at least 8-10 new volunteers to help with cleaning the kitchens so we can do this once a month on a rota in pairs. Please speak to or contact [Karen Holmes](#) to find out more or if you would like to help. We always need more help with catering too!

STEWARDING

We need a couple more volunteers to help stewarding at the 11am or 6.30pm services on Sundays. Each team serves once a month on rotation either at the 9am, 11am or 6.30pm service on Sundays and plays a valuable role in welcoming & keeping people safe. Contact [Alison Linsky](#) to find out more and help.

ACCOMMODATION FOR NEIL & LUCY (returning to Sheffield in July)

Neil & Lucy are looking for 1 or 2 bed unfurnished (or part-furnished) accommodation to rent when they return to Sheffield in July. Max £800 per month. Please contact Paul German on 07792 975165 or by [email](#).

BURNGREAVE FOODBANK

Items urgently needed:

- Cooking oil
- Soup (not tomato)
- Hot Chocolate Drink
- Chocolate bars (for children's lunchboxes)
- Bars of soap
- Washing up liquid

There is a collection point in the church centre. Find other items to donate on the [Trussell Trust website](#). Financial gifts can be made [here](#).