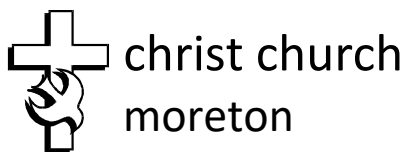


June 2017 at



Dear friends at Christchurch

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8

I guess that most Christians at some time or another think to themselves, 'wouldn't it be great to have been there when Jesus walked on earth – to have actually seen him.' And, yes, it would have been wonderful. But when Jesus spoke to his disciples just before his death, he told them that it is actually better for us to be alive now – *'Very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away'*. (John 16:7)

When we think of the wonderful things that Jesus did it must make us ask – How could it be better for his disciples then, let alone us today, that Jesus goes away? Jesus' reply to that question would be, *'Unless I go away the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.'* (John 16:7)

So having the Advocate – the Holy Spirit – with us is vital, which is why Pentecost is so significant. Jesus work of salvation is complete – through his death and resurrection he has defeated sin and death. Through faith in him we have new life and a living hope. And he now calls us to be his disciples – to live out that new life and to make Jesus' victory known, so that other can come to share that hope.

But that is something we can't do on our own. It is impossible to live as a disciple of Jesus in our own strength. But the Holy Spirit is the one who empowers us to live a new life. In our home-groups we continue to think about the fruit that the Spirit produces in our lives, whilst at 9.00 am and 10.45 am we continue studying the book of Acts. As we do, the challenge is to put it into practice, so that we can live as disciples of Jesus in the power of the Spirit, bringing glory to God the Father.

Yours in Christ

Graham Cousins

SERVICES THIS MONTH

On Sunday mornings we continue our series on **The Essential Question**, following through the book of Acts and seeing how it can encourage us in our discipleship today.

On Sunday evenings we continue our series **Doorstep Questions**, engaging with some of the things people in Moreton have said to those doing door to door visiting.

Sun 4 th June	9.00 & 10.45 am 6.30 pm	<i>The Church is persecuted</i> – Acts 5:1-8:1 PENTECOST PRAISE joint service at Christ Church
Sun 11 th June	10.45 am 6.30 pm	<i>The Good News changes lives</i> – Acts 8:1-9:31 <i>Everyone has their own belief</i>
Sun 18 th June	9.00 & 10.45 am 6.30 pm	<i>The Good News is for everyone</i> – Acts 9:32-12:25 <i>I pray every night, just me and him</i>
Sun 25 th June	9.00 & 10.45 am 6.30 pm	<i>The first mission trip</i> – Acts 13:1-15:41 PRAISE!

PROM PRAISE!

A fusion of performance with worship, like a Christian 'Last night of the Proms'

With the All Souls Orchestra and special guest Stuart Townend.

Saturday 24th June 2017, 7.30 pm

Venue Cymru, Llandudno

For ticket details see the poster on the Parish Centre noticeboard



The next
FAMILY PACK PROJECT
is Saturday 24th June. If you can help
with the sorting on Thursday 8th June
please come along at 7.00pm



OM's Global Village is an innovative and interactive project that allows teens and adults to go on a 3-hour simulated mission trip. Whilst encountering a broken world face-to-face,

participants discover more of God's heart for people, challenging them to reflect Jesus in difficult places, local and global. Global Village is designed to motivate Christians of all ages to engage with the Great Commission.

The village is being set up at The Spire, Breck Road, Wallasey, CH44 3BD
 You can find more details and book tickets by visiting
www.uk.om.org/globalvillage

Regular weekly activities:

Monday	-	9.30 am : Toddler Group
	-	1.00 pm : TLC
Tuesday	-	9.30 am: Toddler Group
	-	3.30 pm: S.O.S.
	-	6.00 - 7.30 pm Foodbank
Wednesday	-	5.30 pm: Rainbows
Thursday	-	9.45 am : Keep Fit
	-	11.00 am : Keep Fit
	-	1.00 pm : Craft Group
	-	5.30 pm : Brownies
Friday	-	9.30 am : Mothers 'n' Others
	-	2.00 – 3.30 pm Foodbank

PENTECOST – COME, HOLY SPIRIT

How many different tools can you find in the tool-kit?

Now match them up to these jobs that need doing

Can you unpack all these words from the parcel? They are all gifts of the Spirit mentioned in 1 Cor. 12:4-11 & Rom. 12:6-8

IT'S A GIFT!

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WISDOM
KNOWLEDGE
FAITH
HEALING
MIRACLES
DISCERNMENT
TONGUES
EXPLAINING
PREACHING
SERVING
TEACHING
ENCOURAGING

Now write down the letters you have left over, from the top and left to right:-
God gives each one of us the _____
to serve him and each other.