

P R A Y E R

SEPTEMBER 2009 at Christ Church

Dear friends at Christchurch

Just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness

(Colossians 2:6-7)

Earlier this year our PCC spent time considering what our main goals over the next 2 years are. One thing that came out clearly was that we need to grow in prayer. This ties in so well with our theme verse this year, because prayer is vital if we are to be rooted and built up and if we are to be strengthened. And prayer should be an outworking of our thankfulness to God.

To start our new term we are picking up on this with three evenings focussing on prayer. These will be on Wednesdays 16th, 23rd & 30th Sept in the Parish Centre – each evening will begin with Coffee & Cake at 7.45, and will finish at around 9.15. I do hope that you will make a priority of being there. Our home-groups will then restart in October.

The next few weeks also give us a number of opportunities to invite family and friends to services and events. On Sept 20th our 10.45 am service will be our ‘New School Year’ celebration. Then the following Sunday is ‘Back to Church Sunday’ – there are invitations at the back of church. After that, on Friday 2nd October we have our Barn Dance, followed on the Sunday by our Harvest services.

The reason for these special events and services is that we want others to be introduced to Christ Church, and through us to the Lord Jesus. In our summer series from John’s gospel we were reminded that Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life; no-one comes to the Father except through him. If we love our families and friends, we will make the most of these opportunities to point them to Jesus.

Yours in Christ

Regular weekly activities:

Monday	-	9.30 am Toddler Group
	-	1.00 pm TLC
Tuesday	-	9.30 am Toddler Group
	-	1.15 pm Art Group
	-	4.00 pm Shine
Wednesday	-	9.30 am Toddler Group
	-	1.00 pm Needlecraft Group
	-	1.30 pm Toddler Group
	-	4.00 pm Rainbows
	-	5.15 pm Rainbows
Thursday	-	1.00 pm Craft Group
	-	9.45 am Keep Fit
	-	11.00 am Keep Fit
	-	5.30 pm Brownies
	-	7.30 pm Guides
Friday	-	9.15 am Mothers 'n' Others
	-	7.00 pm Evening Bowls

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New Christianity Explored Course starting in October.

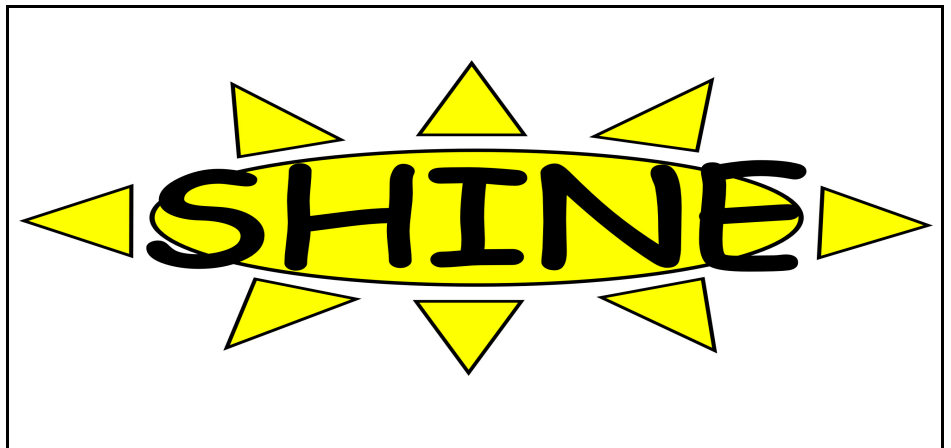
For more details see the cards in the pews or at the back of church.

CHRIST CHURCH
Harvest Supper
& Barn Dance

Friday 2nd October
7.30 pm
£2 Adult, 50p child



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Shine Service starts up again on Tuesday 22nd September