



Sunday 3rd July 2011

Collect for the day: Almighty and eternal God, who, for the firmer foundation of our faith, allowed your holy apostle Thomas to doubt the resurrection of your Son till word and sight convinced him: grant to us, who have not seen, that we also may believe and so confess Christ as our Lord and our God; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer this week

The *Daily Prayer Diary* helps us pray for everyone at Christ Church. Please also be praying for those who are sick in body and mind, whose health confines them to hospital or home.

Pray particularly this week for:

Yvonne Ashford, Pauline Williams, Thelma Whitfield, Joyce Thomas, Lucy Donnelly and Nancy Barrow.

For Ella Wood, family and friends who are here this afternoon for a Thanksgiving Service.

For Steven & Michelle Copeland who were married in this church yesterday and for Neil & Tracy McCarthy who are here for a Wedding Blessing on Friday

If you have something you would like our *Prayer Chain* to pray about then please pass requests to the Church Office.

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Welcome

If you're new or visiting Christ Church today, we hope you enjoy the services and feel at home. If you require any help do speak to one of the Wardens or Sides persons. Feel free to fill in a welcome card and visit the information desk if you'd like to know more about who we are and what we do as a church.

Refreshments

If you can then please join us after the morning services for tea or coffee in the Parish Centre (the building next door). Refreshments will be served from 6pm at the back of the church building before our evening service.

Prayer Ministry

Would you like prayer for something? Members of our Prayer Ministry Team are available to pray with you today. If you would like prayer for any reason please make your way to the front of church after the service.

Today's services

- 9.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
Thomas - Looking for faith
(John 14v1-7)
- 10.45 am** Parade Service
(We welcome our Guides,
Brownies & Rainbows)
- 12.30 pm Church Family Picnic at
Royden Park
- 6.30 pm Holy Communion
What did Jesus mean? (Mark 10v15)

**Jesus said, 'If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples.
Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.'**

John 8v31-32

What's On?

MORNING PRAYER



Why not start your day with prayer? Every week day morning from 8:50am Christ Church is open for a short and simple service of Morning Prayer. Join us if you are free to pray for our needs and the needs of the world.

OPEN CHURCH

Feeling rushed off your feet? Why not take some time to be alone with God in quiet meditation and prayer? Christ Church opens its doors Monday to Friday from 12-1pm. Do make the most of this opportunity during the day.



Diary this week: 3rd July - 10th July 2011

Please see Newsletter or Website for regular activities.

- Mon** 8.00 pm Preachers/Leaders Meeting
- Tues** 3.30 pm Shine
8.00 pm Leadership Explored
- Wed** **7.45 pm Prayer Meeting**
- Sat** 9.30 am PCC Morning
- Sun** 9.00 am Morning Prayer - **Rewards of a Disciple**
Hope beyond suffering - Romans 8:18-27
10.45 am Family Communion
Rewards of a Disciple - Hope beyond suffering
Romans 8:18-27
6.30 pm Evening Praise - **What did Jesus mean?**
'Ask & it will be given to you' Luke 11:9

Church Family Items

E100 BIBLE READINGS



This week 18 of our E100 Bible Reading Challenge.

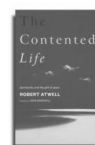
What does God look for in leaders of his church? That is a question that our Leadership Explored course has been thinking about over the past few weeks, and it is the theme of our readings in E100 this week. That might sound as though these readings are only for those who are leaders, but there are 2 good reasons why we all need to be reading these passages. First – because we need to be praying that the Holy Spirit will equip our leaders to be like this. And second – because maybe God is calling you to have some leadership role in his church here.

MCYC PRE CAMP WORK WEEK

Help seriously needed for all or part of this all important week: Sat 9th - Sat 16th July. Can you lend a hand and help? Contact: Denis Cooper 01925 822051 or 07768743194.



BOOK LAUNCH



The Bishop of Stockport, Robert Atwell will be talking about and signing his new Book: *'The Contented Life: Spirituality and the Gift of years'* on Wednesday 13th July at 6.30 pm at Lingham's Book Shop in Heswell. Doors open 6.00 pm.

SHARED LUNCH

Enya Bourke will be having a Thanksgiving Service during the 10.45 am service on Sunday 10th July. Following the service there will be a shared lunch in the Parish Centre, everyone is welcome to join with the family. Please bring some food to share. Thanks

