

## Church Diary - March

**Wed 14 Mother's Union Bible Market,**  
2pm at the Methodist Chapel.  
**Men's Group** 7:30pm in Church  
**Johnston Recreation Ground Advisory**  
**Committee** 7:30pm in Choir Vestry

**Thurs 15 - upLIFT** Craft night in church at  
7:30pm. Small charge (to be advised) book  
by 25 Feb.

**Sun 18 - Archer's Thanksgiving** at  
10:45am & **Weatherstones service** 3:30pm.

**Mon 19 - Thanksgiving Service for Lady**  
**Jean Stoddart** 2pm in Church.

**Wed 21 - Holy Communion** with the  
Mothers' Union at 10:30am in church.

**Thur 22 - Thanksgiving Service for David**  
**Saul** 10:30am at Church.

**Thur 22 - Deanery Chapter meeting**  
12:30pm in Church.

**Sun 25 - Palm Sunday**

**Tue 27 - School Easter Service** 9:30am in  
church

**Thur 29 - School Easter Experience &**  
**Maundy Thursday** 7:30pm

**Fri 30 - Good Friday** 10am in church

**Sat 31 - Easter Vigil** 7.30pm in Church

**Sun 1 April - Easter Celebration and**  
Communion 10am, with Easter Egg hunt.

## This Sunday

9am Holy Communion

10:10am Breakfast gathering

10:45am Informal Service

### Giving to Christ Church

We no longer take a collection during our services, but still thank God for gifts during our offertory hymn. If you would like to make a donation then simply place it in the collection box near the door.

A lot of people give by standing order and this remains the best way, as it helps us budget in light of a £20,000 deficit each year.

Giving by Gift Aid also makes your gift go further, something you can do if you are a tax payer.

### Advanced notice

upLIFT trip to Calendar Girls The Musical at the Liverpool Empire on Thurs 29th Nov at 7.30pm. Tickets £30.75 Book with Claire Bannon by Sun 25th March. Booking Forms and further details in church.

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# Christ Church Family News

**Mothering Sunday**  
**11 March 2018**



We thank you Lord for our Mothers and those who care for us, they show us something of your love for us!

## Welcome to Christ Church Willaston

Thank you for coming; do sit wherever you like. It is so good to have you with us, especially if you are new or visiting, we hope you feel really welcome. If you have any questions don't hesitate to ask.

Between our services from 10:10am-10:45am, you are invited to join us for breakfast and a chat, it would be great to get to know you better.

We are thrilled to have children with us and expect them to move around and make a noise. We have a Creche as well as changing facilities, if you need them. During our 10:45 service we offer activities for children up to reception in the Creche and year 1 and above in the Scout HQ in term time.

New

Kids

Contact  
us

**Vicar**  
Rev Stephen Bazely  
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**Assistant Priest**  
Fr. Lyndon Bannon  
(In School Mon-Fri)

**Wardens**  
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WHAT'S THE BEST NEWS  
YOU'VE EVER HEARD?

### Readings: 1 Samuel 1:20-28 & John 19:25-27

Merciful Lord, absolve your people from their offences, that through your bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the chains of those sins which by our frailty we have committed; grant this, heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Next Sundays readings: Jeremiah 31:31-34 & John 12:20-33

## Notices

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### Help us celebrate and share the Easter story

The Bible Society have produced an excellent book called The Seriously Surprising Story, which follows in the footsteps of Jesus' followers as they travel from Jerusalem to Emmaus. There are 211 children in school and the booklets cost £1 each, would you be willing to donate some money to help us share the Easter story with them?

### Help donate eggs for our Easter egg hunt

On Easter Sunday after our joint 10am service we are having an Easter egg hunt, if you can help donate small chocolate eggs that would be wonderful.

### Safeguarding Training - 25 April 2018

A repeat of our half day face to face training course aimed at equipping parish safeguarding coordinators and volunteers to follow healthy safeguarding practice in their role.

### Our Lent Course - 'On the Third Day'

Join us and the Methodist chapel as we investigate the Resurrection together. It's not too late to join! **Tuesdays** 10:30am at the Methodist School room until the 20 March and **Wednesdays** 7:30pm at the Methodist School room until the 21 March.

### Feedback from the Jonathan Aitken Event

A really encouraging event, at which Jonathan shared how Jesus changed his life. Someone from another church said *"I am a Christian who has not been to church for a while but decided tonight to renew my commitment to Jesus."*

We all get one life to live and deep down we're all asking the same question – what's it all about?

This 7 week course is for everyone, whether you have been to church or not. You can ask any question you like in a relaxed environment. You won't be asked to pray, sing or read aloud, and you won't be pestered if you decide not to come again. Starting on **Tuesday the 10th April 7:30pm** and running until Tuesday the 22 May.

*'It is definitely worth trying out, come for a week and see what you think.'*  
...a participant from our Life Explored course said.

## Prayer points

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At Christ Church we pray for people whether they are ill, struggling in some way or would simply be encouraged by our prayers.

From time to time we refresh the list to make sure it is up to date, if you think we should add or remove anyone then please contact Rev Stephen, the best way is to email [cc.willaston@gmail.com](mailto:cc.willaston@gmail.com).

### People to pray for...

Ken Peers, Pat Dew, Rachael Butler, Christine Guthrie, Ruth Atherton and Jane Hepworth.

### Those grieving the loss of...

Brian Ostle, David Saul, Lady Jean Stoddart, Violet Jones, Anne Busby, Joan McVitty, Jo Beazley, Vera Muskett, Mark Romer, Chris Baines, John Smith, and Norma Kane.

### Church Family, School and Community

For anyone who has their lost mother or child or who grieves not being a mother.

For Miss Hull and the year 5 class at Willaston CoE Primary School.