

Sunday 14th January 2018



WELCOME TO
CHRIST CHURCH
WINCHESTER



Welcome to Christ Church. *If you are new to the church do please introduce yourself to those around you, to one of our welcomers, or to one of our clergy or service leaders. We would love to meet you. Alternatively you could fill in a welcome card, found at the back of church, and we would be delighted to come and visit you.*

This is our second Sunday in the new Isaiah series. You can listen to the podcast if you missed last week. One of the overarching messages of Isaiah is a call to link worship with serving the common good. Neglect of the common good is a large part of the reason why Judah and Jerusalem were in a mess. They neglected both love of God and love of neighbour, acquiring wealth and power for themselves and failing in covenant responsibilities. But it is not just a crisis for Judah in Bible times. The Old Testament scholar, Walter Brueggemann points out:

“The great crisis among us is the crisis of “the common good,” the sense of community solidarity that binds all in a common destiny – haves and have-nots, the rich and the poor. We face a crisis about the common good because there are powerful forces at work among us to resist the common good, to violate community solidarity, and to deny a common destiny. Mature people, at their best, are people who are committed to the common good that reaches beyond private interest, transcends sectarian commitments, and offers human solidarity...”

Isaiah calls us to a new way, a way that refuses to act out of fear and anxiety and horde for ourselves.

“Those who are living in anxiety and fear, most especially fear of scarcity, have no time for the common good.”

The prophet calls for an emptying and for risking a journey of faith and trust that God has his hand on our future. Anxiety and fear produces a scarcity mindset. Faith and trust in God releases an abundance mindset. Isaiah calls us to re-imagine the abundance of God. Let's do it together.

David B Rowe (Vicar)

Going Deeper

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Today
The Holy King

Isaiah 6: 1-13
Luke 5: 1-11

8.00am	(Communion)
Preacher	George Watkinson
President	David Rowe
9.30am	(Communion)
Preacher	David Rowe
Leader	George Watkinson
11.15am	
Preacher	Peter Russell
Leader	Sara Jane Roope
6.00pm	
Preacher	George Watkinson
Leader	David Smith

WANTED: Communications Manager

We are seeking a Communications Manager to join our staff team. For a full job description and details of how to apply, please visit the vacancies page on our website. [Deadline: 18th January](#)

themarriagecourse

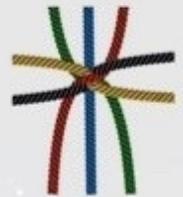
We will be offering a **Marriage Course** starting on Wednesday 24th January 2018 and running as a series of 7 fortnightly sessions.

The course is for couples who are seeking to strengthen their relationship and offers essential tools and practical ideas to help you build a relationship that lasts a lifetime.

If you are interested in attending or helping with the organisation of this, please email Rhian Bendall at rhian.bendall@ccwinch.org.uk.

UNITY SERVICE

hosted by Churches Together Winchester



Join christians from across the Winchester area to celebrate our unity, reflect and pray together, with guest speaker His Grace Bishop Angaelos
(Coptic Orthodox Bishop of London)

Sunday 21 January at 6.30pm
Winchester Cathedral

Photo: Michelle Harden (instagram: michelleharden_photography)



Do visit **Connection Point** in the concourse at any time if you have any questions about getting more involved in our community; there are so many opportunities for everyone to get more connected. Alternatively, you can email ConnectionPoint@ccwinch.org.uk.

An evening looking at Faith and Culture with Prof Terry Eagleton

Thursday 1st February
Christ Church
7.30 pm

Sign up in the concourse to join us for a meal, talk and discussion with Terry Eagleton

Why not bring your book club?

We are pleased to announce a new **crèche** at the **11.15am** service, starting next week!



Men's Curry Night: Thursday 8th February. Men's evening. 'Food, Football and Faith' with Rev Andy Bowerman, chaplain of Southampton FC at the Gurkha Inn, City Rd Winchester from 8.15pm. Food: £20 each (drinks not included). A brilliant opportunity to meet with friends in a relaxed social environment. Places limited so tickets/ tables available in advance through the church office (details from Graham Simpson or the church office)

Oasis is back! Starting tomorrow (Monday 15th January) at 9:45am in church. A space for women of all ages and stages of their Christian life for reflection, bible study and prayer. This term we are going through Jen Wilkin's book "None Like Him", discovering the multi-layered perfections of God, to help us realign ourselves in the way we relate to our Heavenly Father. A warm welcome awaits, especially for newcomers. ("Little Oasis" pre-school child care is available.)

The spring termcard is now available to take away from the concourse.



Wanting to reduce plastic and begin to go greener this year? Come see some ethical, environmentally safer cleaning ideas on the stall this week! Plus Fairtrade gifts, teas, chocolates and accessories.

Sunday 14th January from 5pm
Monday 15th January 9am-noon
Tuesday 16th January 9am-noon
Sunday 28th January from 5pm
Monday 29th January 9am-noon
Tuesday 30th January 9am-noon

THIRD WAY

Thu 25 Jan: "**Meet the Vicar**" Come to listen and ask questions of David as we hear what he's done, what he's doing and his vision for the future. We meet at **2:30pm** in the Simeon Room. If you are able to bring a cake, it would be great but come anyway. We will provide a drink!

Fri 26 Jan: **Lunch** at the Golden Lion, 12pm. Please let us know by Wed. 24th if you plan to join us. Phone Adrienne/Mike on 02380261947 or e-mail mike@caplins.co.uk.

Mon 7 - Fri 11 May: **House party** in Devon at Sidholme. Don't forget to book up!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oasis - Mondays at 9:45am in church. A space for women of all ages and stages of their Christian life for reflection, bible study and prayer. This term we are going through Jen Wilkin's book "None Like Him", discovering the multi-layered perfections of God, to help us realign ourselves in the way we relate to our Heavenly Father. A warm welcome awaits, especially for newcomers. ("Little Oasis" pre-school child care is available.)

PCC Meeting (including subgroups) - Monday from 7.30pm

Bumps and Babies - Tuesday at 10am - A chance to meet with other new mums over coffee and cake... dads welcome too! Every Tuesday during term time. Contact Emily on 01962 857994 or emily.bellerby@ccwinch.org.uk.

Toddlers - Tuesdays at 10am - A chance for mums, dads, grandparents and carers to get to know other families and children. £1 per family including refreshments. Please contact emily.bellerby@ccwinch.org.uk for info.

LIFE - Tuesdays at 7.30pm - an evening for all students to meet together, eat cake, and discuss the Bible. Contact sam.dinsmore@ccwinch.org.uk for info.

Midweek Communion - Wednesdays at 11.00am - An informal communion service, with open prayer and Bible study.

Nosh - Wednesdays at 12.30pm - Nosh is a free lunch for students. Simple as that. All welcome. Every Wednesday in term time.

***Prayer for the week** - Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.*

Next Sunday - 21 January 2018

8.00am	Holy Communion	Isaiah 9: 2-7	David Rowe
9.30am	Service of the Word	Isaiah 9: 2-7	George Watkinson
11.15am	Holy Communion	Isaiah 9: 2-7	David Rowe
6.00pm	Service of the Word	Isaiah 9: 2-7	Marianne Foster
6.30pm	<i>Unity Service at the Cathedral</i>		