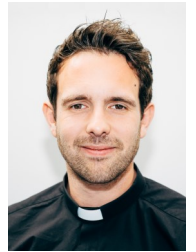




# CHRIST CHURCH WINCHESTER



Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2018

**Welcome!** *If you are new here, thank you for coming—it's great to have you with us.*

*Join us for a drink and a chat and say hello at Connection Point in the concourse, or to one of our clergy or service leaders. Feel free to fill in a welcome card (from the concourse or at [www.ccwinch.org.uk/welcome](http://www.ccwinch.org.uk/welcome)) and we would be delighted to meet up with you.*

## Preparing for the future

Monday's prayer and worship evening was a time of seeking God for our upcoming Alpha course and vicar vacancy process. What a blessed time it was to see 80 or so petitioning God in prayer and listening to what He is saying to us at this time in the life of our church. Please pencil in Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 8pm for our next meeting.

One picture that was shared was of a set of church keys that God is calling us to lay down. The keys represented the things that we are holding onto about our church, whether that is expectations of the new vicar or our fear of change, that God wants us to lay down and let Him take control. There may be things that God is calling you to lay down, perhaps areas in your life which take the place of Him. I will be speaking more on this at our Gift Day today.

Please continue to pray this week for our church council meeting on Monday, the vacancy process as well as our Jazz and J.John evening next Sunday (14<sup>th</sup>) at 6pm. Who is God challenging you to invite?

Today, on our Gift Day, an enormous thank you for your generous giving to Christ Church which is essential in enabling all that we support to further God's Kingdom. Giving is a shared commitment and responsibility if we are to see God's plans fulfilled so we continue to encourage each one of us to prayerfully and carefully consider how to respond, whether we are already regular givers or haven't yet made that commitment.

— *George Watkinson (Curate) and the Churchwardens*

## TODAY

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

***In God's Strength—[2 Corinthians 8:1-9:15 \(pg 1163\)](#)***

<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>Communion</b>	Preacher	Jess Ross
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b>	Preacher	George Watkinson
<b>11.15am</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b>	Preacher	George Watkinson
<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>Evening Worship</b>	Preacher	Jess Ross

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## ALPHA STARTS NEXT WEEK

**We're excited to have J. John with us next Sunday to help launch our Alpha course.**

**He'll be preaching at the 9.30am service** (children's groups as usual.)  
An engaging and challenging speaker, we're excited to hear what he has to say.

**Jazz evening next Sunday 6pm** with canapés and a talk from J. John.  
Bring your family and friends to an informal evening of hot jazz, cool canapés and good news!

**Alpha course starts on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm**  
Feel free to take more invites from the concourse.

For more details:  
[www.ccwinch.org.uk/alpha](http://www.ccwinch.org.uk/alpha)



Pam and Steve Adlem would like to thank all the people who came to celebrate Sam and Lisa's wedding with them.

A special thank you to all who worked so hard to make the day such a happy one.

### **Lunch Club Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October 10.30am onwards**

Coffee is available from 10.30am in the concourse and from 11.45am in church.

Lunch at 12.30pm and a book club afterwards at 2pm.

You can also join our informal midweek communion at 11.00am

## Students

**Life** is our Student Night, **Tuesdays at 7pm** here in the church.  
**Nosh** is a free lunch for all students, **Wednesdays at 12.30pm**.

### Winchester Churches Nightshelter Supporters' Evening

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 6.15pm for 6.45pm start St Peter's Church, Jewry Street  
Hear the residents' stories and what it takes to move someone on from homelessness.

### Parking

We are reserving some spaces for the 11.15 service to ensure that there are spaces at changeover time for those who have mobility difficulties.

Thank you for your understanding as this is a great help to them.

### Street Pastors Prayer Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October 9am-noon Hub Room

Prayer for the Street Pastors ministry and those they help on the streets at night.

### Topical Men's Breakfast Group Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October 8am Topic: 'Just War'

If you are interested in coming to this exploration and discussion, please contact  
[David.boul@ccwinch.org.uk](mailto:David.boul@ccwinch.org.uk)  
or 01962 8268828 .

### New here?

Come and say hello at Connection Point in the concourse.

Find out what have to we offer and have your questions answered.



## FOR YOUR PRAYERS—[MORE AT CCWINCH.ORG.UK/PRAYER](https://www.ccwinch.org.uk/prayer)

**Prayer for the Week:** *O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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. Amen.*

**School Assemblies** please pray for the team as well as the children and teachers:

10<sup>th</sup> St Swithun's prep

11<sup>th</sup> St Mary's

**Winchester Churches Night Shelter** please remember the work of the WCN and their past and present residents in your prayers this Sunday (which is Homeless Sunday) and also on 10<sup>th</sup> October (World Homeless Day).

**Church council** please pray for the members of the council as they meet this Monday.

**Local cluster of churches** please pray for: St Luke's, St Mark's and St Barnabas—for opportunities in Winchester Village and at Kings Barton as it is built; for Ed Dines, Mike Gardner and the teams at those churches.

**Vicar selection committee (interviews will be on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October)** please pray for the members of the selection committee and the candidates; for God's will to be clear to all. Also pray for the staff, PCC and church wardens as we continue in this current period of vacancy.

## THIS WEEK [\[MORE INFO AT CCWINCH.ORG.UK/DIARY\]](http://CCWINCH.ORG.UK/DIARY)

<b>Monday</b>	9.45-11.30am	<a href="#">Oasis (Women)</a>	Empowered: Relational Evangelism
<b>Tuesday</b>	10-11.30am	<a href="#">Bumps and Babies</a>	
	10-11.30am	<a href="#">Toddlers (0-4s)</a>	
	7.00pm	<a href="#">LIFE (Students)</a>	Students: Bible discussion and cake
<b>Wednesday</b>	11am	<b>Mid-week communion</b>	
	10.30am	<b>Lunch Club</b>	With book club afterwards
	12.30pm	<a href="#">NOSH (Students)</a>	Free lunch for Students
<b>Thursday</b>	9am-noon	<b>Prayer for Street Pastors</b>	
	6pm	<a href="#">Pathfinders (sch yr 7-9)</a>	Games, talk & supper. £2 entry
	7pm	<a href="#">Download (sch yr 10-13)</a>	Games, talk & supper. £2 entry
<b>Friday</b>	5.45pm	<a href="#">XPC (school yr 5-6)</a>	Games, talk, tuck shop. 50p entry

### *Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October*

*In God's Strength—[2 Corinthians 5:9 - 6:2 \(pgs 1161-2\)](#)*

<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>Communion</b>	Preacher	Brian Wakelin
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b>	Preacher	J.John
<b>11.15am</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b>	Preacher	Dave Fenton
<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>Jazz with J. John talk</b>	Talk	J.John

### REST OF OCTOBER

<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> 8pm</b>	<b>Hush</b>
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm</b>	<a href="#">Alpha Course</a> starts
<b>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> 4pm-6pm</b>	<b>Messy Church Light Party</b>

### NOVEMBER

<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> 3pm Thanksgiving Service</b>	for those who have been bereaved
<b>Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> Worship Training Conference</b>	contact <a href="mailto:worship@ccwinch.org.uk">worship@ccwinch.org.uk</a>
<b>Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> 7pm Quiz Night for TearFund</b>	show what you know!
<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> 10am Remembrance Service</b>	(instead of 9.30 and 11.15 services)
<b>Fri 16<sup>th</sup> - Sun 18<sup>th</sup> <a href="#">Pathfinders weekend away</a></b>	book at <a href="http://tinyurl.com/pfhope18">tinyurl.com/pfhope18</a>
<b>Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Christmas Chalet opens</b>	volunteer at <a href="http://bit.ly/2Nnqe0M">bit.ly/2Nnqe0M</a>

### DECEMBER

<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> 8am Communion, 9.30am &amp; 11:15am Services, 6pm Carols by Candlelight</b>
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> 8am Communion, 10am All Age Service with Carols</b> (no 9.30am or 11.15am services), <b>No 6pm service</b>
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> 4pm Messy Nativity, 11.30pm Midnight Communion</b>
<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> 10am Christmas Morning Celebration</b> (no 8am, 11.15am or 6pm)
<b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> 8am Communion, 10am All Age Service</b> (no 9.30 or 11.15am), <b>6pm Service</b>