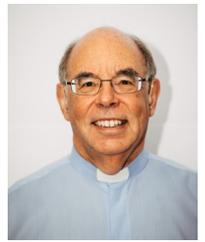




CHRIST CHURCH WINCHESTER



Sunday 5th May 2019

Welcome! If you are new here, thank you for coming—it's great to have you with us. Do stay for a drink and say hello at Connection Point in the concourse, or to one of our clergy or service leaders. Please visit www.ccwinch.org.uk/welcome as well.

Stewardship

This Sunday marks the start of a stewardship month when we will consider our response to a God who abundantly and extravagantly gives us all good things.

We will start by looking at God as Provider (Psalm 104) this week and then the call to serve God with gladness and joy (Psalm 100). This will culminate in our Annual Meeting on the 12th where we will praise God for his faithfulness to us over the past year.

The second two weeks will look at our response by considering our stewardship of time, talents and money ('all things come from you O Lord and of your own do we give you' 1 Chronicles 29); and the stewardship of the created order ('take care of it' Genesis 2:15).

There will be opportunities to learn more about ways we can serve within Christ Church; and within local organisations that form part of our collective focus as a church. There will also be an opportunity to pray through and review our financial giving to the work God has called us to.

Pray that we will be excited afresh about God's goodness to us. Pray that we will be open to being challenged as to what sacrificial serving means in our individual lives, our households, and corporately as Christ Church.

As we wait for a new Vicar, continue to be in prayer for the Wardens, Church Council, staff team and all the volunteers involved in ministry in Christ Church and beyond. For unity of purpose, wisdom in decision making, strength when tired and joy in serving.

- Brian Wakelin, Assistant Minister

TODAY

Stewardship: God the giver of good things - [Psalm 104](#) (pgs. 606-7)

8am	Communion	Preacher	Brian Wakelin
9.30am	Service of the Word (with children's groups)	Preacher	George Watkinson
11.15am	Service of the Word	Preacher	Sue Collinson
6pm	Evening Service	Preacher	George Watkinson

All sermon recordings and notices are available at www.ccwinch.org.uk/catchup

Christchurch Road | Winchester | SO23 9SR | 01962 854454 |
office@ccwinch.org.uk | www.ccwinch.org.uk | [Facebook: ccwinch](https://www.facebook.com/ccwinch)

CHURCH NOTICES



Bring and Share picnic (with games) Today
Orams Arbour, Sun 5th May, from 11am. Lunch at 12.45pm
Come and join us after the services this morning for the bring and share picnic (nut-free). Do bring rugs and chairs with you.



APCM - Annual Parochial Council Meeting: Next week
Sun 12th May 4.00-6.30pm, Main Church

We will be hearing how the church's ministries and finances have been doing over the year, appointing PCC members and churchwardens, giving thanks for everyone's hard work and sharing stories and celebrating with a tea.

Emily has arranged a filmshow for the children during the APCM as well, so there's something for everyone!

Please bring along some savoury or sweet finger food to share - and please remember to keep the food nut-free.



Lunch Club (over 50s) - Wed 8th, Main Church
Coffee and stalls from 10.45am, Lunch at 12.30pm

Lunch club returns after Easter on its usual first week of the month. £3 for the lunch.



Marriage Course - Cancelled

Due to logistics, we are not be able to run the Marriage Course this term. Apologies for all those who have signed up, refunds will be made and we hope to run it in later months.



Gift/Donation letters are in the Pigeon Holes

Please collect your letter if you have used PGS or Gift Aid for the 18/19 tax year.

PRAYER FOCUS



May Prayer Meeting - Mon 13th 8pm, Main Church
This will now take place following the APCM (instead of the 6th).

Prayer course & Worship - Lord, teach us to pray...
Wed 15th 7.30 - 9pm, Main Church

As a part of our Prepare vision and to get ready for Thy Kingdom Come, we are running a course on prayer. It will consist of a video from a series on the Lord's Prayer from Pete Greig of 24/7 Prayer followed by a time of worship.

Tower Prayer Room opens - APCM 12th May

Jack and the team have made a welcoming comfortable space (at the back of the church) for prayer and reflection.

Go to www.ccwinch.org.uk/prayer to book time in there during the week.

IN THE COMMUNITY



Music Centre Excellence Awards Concert

Wed 8th May, 7pm-9pm, Main Church

Showcasing the vocal and instrumental talents of the University of Winchester Music Centre Excellence awardees.

Live music, a wide mix of musical styles from classical to contemporary and theatre. Refreshments included.

Suggested £3 ticket donation on the door (proceeds to MIND).



Rwanda: We're not here to help

Wessex Learning Centre Thu 9th May 3pm-4pm

Canon Mark Collinson questions traditional missionary models by sharing how much we can learn from visiting the countries and partners around the world in the Anglican Communion, rather than 'going to help'.

Tickets £5. Available online at <http://www.winchester-cathedral.org.uk/events/> or the Winchester Cathedral Box Office, or by calling 01926 857275.



Focus on Africa Conference - CMS

Sat 18th May 1-4pm St James' by the Park, Southampton

Hear about the life and work of the Church in the Great Lakes Region of Africa and beyond. Main Speaker: Jon Hargreaves, Director of Health Communication Resources UK.

Bring your own lunch from noon. Hot drinks provided.

Contact Charlotte & Nick Smith on 0238077 7810 or charlotte.plieth@doctors.net.uk for more details.



Congratulations to Nick on his London Marathon run

Last Sunday he ran for the charity Karis Kids and wants to thank everyone who supported in in reaching his target of £1000, which really spurred him on during those last few challenging miles! More details on www.facebook.com/kariskids/

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

May Prayer Diary

The Prayer Diary for May is now available from the sidespeople and also available online at www.ccwinch.org.uk/prayer

Prayer for the Week

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; 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

Community Prayer Book

Please do put any prayer requests into the Community Prayer Request book in the concourse, so that we may pray for each other during the week.

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

Mon 6th	9.45am	Oasis (Women)	Restarts. Coffee, faith and cake. Creche provided.
Tue 7th	8am	Pray (Students)	Restarts. Play and chat.
	10am	Toddlers (0-4s)	Restarts. Play and chat.
	10am	Bumps & Babies	Share together.
	7pm	Life (Students)	Simeon Room.
Wed 8th	10.45pm	Lunch Club (Seniors)	Stalls and coffee from 10.45pm. Lunch at 12.45pm. £3.
	11am	Midweek Communion	
Thu 9th	6pm	Pathfinders (sch yr 7-9)	Games, talk, supper. £2 entry.
	7pm	Download (sch yr 10-13)	Games, talk, supper. £2 entry.
Fri 11th	5.45pm	XPC (sch yr 5-6)	Games, talk, tuck shop. 50p entry.

Sunday 12th May - Give thanks with a grateful heart - [Psalm 100 \(pg. 604\)](#)

8am	Communion	Preacher	Arthur Croad
9.30am	Service of the Word (with children's groups)	Preacher	Brian Wakelin
11.15am	Service of the Word	Preacher	Brian Wakelin
4pm-6.30pm	APCM & Opening of Tower Prayer Room		Celebration and tea. Entertainment for the children. There will not be a 6pm service.

REST OF MAY

Mon 13th	8pm	Prayer Meeting	
Wed 15th	7.30pm	Prayer Course	Course based on material by Peter Greig (of 24/7 Prayer).
Sun 19th		Scramblers get-together	Fun and games
Mon 20th	8pm	Hush	Main Church. Christian meditation and reflection.
Tue 28th	4pm-6pm	Messy Church	Games, crafts, talk and a meal.
Thu 30th - Sun Jun 9th		Thy Kingdom Come 2019 - culminating in Beacon event at Cathedral on 9 th	Global prayer movement. If you would like to be in the choir for the Cathedral Beacon event: https://tinyurl.com/tkc19choir