



# CHRIST CHURCH WINCHESTER



Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2018

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

*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. Please 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.*

## Comfort from one who understands

*"...a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief" Isaiah 53.3*

I love this description of Jesus. It gives us such great comfort to know that our Lord is not removed from our suffering or pain, that he is not a distant God looking on, but rather has entered into our world and experienced it just as we do. The pains and struggles of life, the losses, the disappointments and the grief are all known and understood by Jesus. Many of us have discovered that in times of grief or pain, Jesus draws close and comforts us by his presence. As his body here today we can be that comforting presence for one another, reminding each other of his promises and sharing his love.

On **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 3pm we are having a quiet, reflective service** for anyone who wants to remember and give thanks for someone they have lost. This may be a family member, a friend, or an acquaintance, or you may wish to come on behalf of someone else who has lost a loved one. It doesn't matter if the person died last month, last year or many years ago. The service is open to all.

There is something more wonderful than Jesus knowing and understanding our grief; he does even more. He bears our sorrows and heals our pains. We may not experience full healing this side of heaven but we can be sure that his words are true: *"In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."*

John 16.33

*- Sue Collinson*

## TODAY

***In God's Strength—[2 Corinthians 7.2-16 \(pg 1163\)](#)***

<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>Communion</b>	Preacher	George Watkinson
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>All Age Service</b>	Preacher	Brian Wakelin
<b>11.15am</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b>	Preacher	Sara Jane Roope
<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>Communion</b>	Preacher	George Watkinson

**[All sermons and notices are available at www.ccwinch.org.uk/catchup](http://www.ccwinch.org.uk/catchup)**

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## NOTICES



### **Christmas Market Mission Chalet starts Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Nov**

Help share the Good News of Christmas!

We want every visitor coming to the market to receive a warm welcome and have a chance to consider the real meaning of the season. It's fun to do and training is provided.

Sign up at [bit.ly/missionchalet18](http://bit.ly/missionchalet18) or in the concourse.



### **Quiz Night Fundraiser for TearFund Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Nov 7pm**

Make up a team of 6 and take on the rest of Christ Church!

There will nibbles and questions on General Knowledge, Sport, Music, Geography, etc. Bring your own drinks.

Don't worry if you're not in a team - we'll find one for you.

Sign up at: [tinyurl.com/tearquiz18](http://tinyurl.com/tearquiz18) or in concourse.



### **Thanksgiving Service Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Nov 3pm Main Church**

A service for anyone who is bereaved.

An opportunity to celebrate and remember ones we have lost.



### **Churches Together Prayer Meeting Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov 8.30am**

Join in prayer with the whole Christian family in Winchester for the many things we collaboratively provide: e.g. Street Pastors, City Centre Chaplaincy, Counselling, Debt Advice, Help for the Elderly, Bereavement support.



### **Worship School Morning Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Nov 8.30am-1pm**

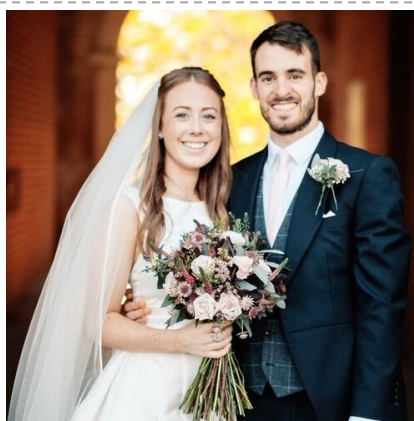
If you help with, or are interested in, worship at Christ Church, this morning is for you.

Join us for breakfast, and to worship and learn new skills together.

There are workshops on many areas, including: songwriting, use of movement in worship, creative writing, AV equipment training and poetry.

Sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/worshipday18>

## COMMUNITY NEWS – SEND IN CHURCH FAMILY NEWS TO [PAUL.THOMSON@CCWINCH.ORG.UK](mailto:PAUL.THOMSON@CCWINCH.ORG.UK)



### **Congratulations to Jo (Baston) and Sam Thatcher!**

It was wonderful to host your wedding last week and we wish you well in your new lives together.

Thank you all for coming and celebrating in a packed church.

## Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes

Share the joy of Christmas with less fortunate children around the world. Boxes are available for purchase to fill with new gifts. See <https://tinyurl.com/shoebox18> for more information.



### Curry - Social night out Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 8pm

Men's Curry Balaka, Weeke

Meal with mystery guest speaker whose work was thrust into the media spotlight unexpectedly. £13.50 all-in.

Sign up at [tinyurl.com/currymen](https://tinyurl.com/currymen)



### Messy Church Light Party Tues 30<sup>th</sup> October 4-6pm Let's celebrate Goodness and Light!

We are having an alternative to Halloween Messy Church with fruit mocktails, games, crafts, food and a bouncy castle!

Wear your brightest party clothes and let

[claire.bentham@ccwinch.org.uk](mailto:claire.bentham@ccwinch.org.uk) know you are coming.



### New here?

Come to the Connection point in the concourse and say hi.  
We can help you find groups and activities to join.



### Clothes Collection for Clothing Banks by Winchester Vineyard & Southampton City Mission

As you pull out all the winter clothes for coming season, please see if you have any spare or outgrown clothes for all ages, or baby equipment that you could pass on.

Warm clothes and children's clothes are particularly needed for families nearby.

Please contact Nicola Goldsby direct (not via the church)  
[nicolagoldsby@yahoo.com](mailto:nicolagoldsby@yahoo.com) or 07952 555927 and she will collect.



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

**Prayer for the Week** *Almighty God, who built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ himself as the chief cornerstone: so join us together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; 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.*

**Assemblies** *Pray for the school assemblies that the Deanery team will be visiting in a fortnight's time. Pray also that there are enough volunteers so that we don't have to cancel visits.*

**Alpha** *Please continue to pray for those coming and those leading the tables and serving, that those looking will find Jesus and know God's love and presence.*

**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 course
	7.30pm	<b>Standing Committee</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	10-11.30am	<a href="#">Bumps and Babies</a>	
	10-11.30am	<a href="#">Toddlers (0-4s)</a>	
	10.30am	<b>Persecuted Church Prayer</b>	
	4pm	<b>Messy Church Light Party</b>	Wear a bright party outfit!
	7.00pm	<a href="#">LIFE (Students)</a>	Bible discussion and cake
<b>Wednesday</b>	11am	<b>Mid-week communion</b>	
	12.30pm	<a href="#">NOSH (Students)</a>	Free lunch for Students
	7.30pm	<b>Environment Sub-group</b>	Coffee room: Eco Church work
	7.30pm	<b>ALPHA course</b>	Bring a friend!
<b>Thursday</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
	8pm	<a href="#">Men's Curry Night Social</a>	Balaka, Weeke. £13.50 a head.
<b>Friday</b>	5.45pm	<a href="#">XPC</a>	Games, talk, tuck shop. 50p entry
<b>Saturday</b>	8.30am	<b>Churches Together Prayer</b>	Pray for our joint city ministries

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November - In God's Strength - [2 Corinthians 2 10.1-18 \(pg 1165\)](#)**

<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>Communion</b>	Preacher	Matt Lewis
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Communion</b>	Preacher	Mark Collinson
<b>11.15am</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b>	Preacher	Mark Collinson
<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>Evening Service</b>	Preacher	Simon Guillebaud

**NOVEMBER**

Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup>	3pm	Thanksgiving Service	for those who are bereaved
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	8pm	Church Prayer Meeting	in the main church
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am-1pm	Worship School	book: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/worshipday18">tinyurl.com/worshipday18</a>
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>	7pm	Quiz Night for TearFund	Join a team of 6 for a fun night
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Remembrance Service	(instead of 9.30am and 11.15am)
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	8pm	Christmas Chalet training	
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> - Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>		<a href="#">Pathfinders weekend away</a>	book at <a href="http://tinyurl.com/pfhope18">tinyurl.com/pfhope18</a>
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup>		Christmas Chalet opens	volunteer at <a href="http://bit.ly/2Nnqe0M">bit.ly/2Nnqe0M</a>

**DECEMBER**

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