

This Week

Mon 3 Nov Fellowship Group Leaders, 8.00-9.30pm,

Tue 4 Nov Prayer Gathering. 10.00-11.30am,

Wed 5 Nov Prayer Gathering. 8.00-9.30pm, St Wulstan's. Coffee, tea and cakes served beforehand, 7.30-7.55pm.

Looking Ahead

Nov 14-15 **Men's Weekend at Home** with Colin Tamplin as our speaker. Please keep Friday evening to Saturday evening free. Letters have been posted out, and there are some spares at the back of church. Don't forget to get your booking form to Rob Davies.

Tues 18 Nov **'Critical issues facing Christians today'**, an evening by the Christian Institute. 7.30-9.00pm in Erdington. Brochures at the back of church.

Sat 22 Nov **Maintenance Day.** A chance to help out practically with the church buildings. More details to follow, but for now make sure it's in your diary. Thanks!

Fri 28 Nov **Christmas Craft Evening**, Christmas ring making with nibbles and mulled wine, with the chance to hear a Christian's view on Christmas. 7.30pm-9.15pm at St Wulstan's. Doors will not open before 7.30pm. See Jem Huggins for tickets. This popular event is sold on a first come first served basis, and your place is secured by payment.

Christmas Services

Carol Services. If you can read music and would like to be involved in the carol services, please speak to Cordelia and note down the following dates and times for musical rehearsals: Nov 27th at 8.15pm, Dec 5th at 8pm, Dec 7th at 4.45pm, Dec 16th at 8.15pm and Dec 21st at 4.45pm.

News, Notices and Requests

Building for the Future news. Work is being done to complete the Phase 2 petition to the Diocese. Please pray about the Gift Day, it would be wonderful if we can raise the funds we need.

New Address Books. If you are new to church, or have moved house, please let us know by filling in the form at the back of church. We are also updating the address books to include **photographs** of everybody, so we would be very grateful for any photos that you email into the office. If you don't send one, we'll get a snap of you after a service, so be prepared!

Friends International in Birmingham celebrates 21 years of serving international students. Join us for a celebration at Christ Church, on the Pershore Road, Saturday 15th November 7.30pm (for tea/coffee/cake) for 8pm. More info: Nick Devas:

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Welcome

2nd November 2014

If you are new, please say 'hello' and pick up a Welcome booklet at the back of Church.

10.00am Morning Service for All-Ages

'The Generous Giver' (Luke 21:1-4) – Helen Buckley

Children and young people will stay in the service today.

0-3s are welcome to stay in the service, but should you require it there is a crèche in the back room that is available throughout the service.

Toilets are in the foyer, baby-changing facilities are in the disabled toilet.

Coffee, tea and biscuits are served after the service.

6.00pm Evening Service

'How to work out your salvation' (Philippians 2:12-30) – Andy Martin

Coffee, tea and cakes are served after the service.

Sermon notes

How to work out your salvation

Philippians 2:12-30

The four-letter O word

1. Obey

- internal
- external
- inevitable
- far better

2. Don't grumble

- seriously!
- internal
- by holding onto the Word of life

3. Rejoice

OPENING PRAYER *led by Ben Wells*

SONGS Thou whose Almighty Word
Creator, sustainer

CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

O Lord our God, you know us better than we know ourselves. As we come before you now, believers and doubters alike, we all share a deep need, for we are all lost without your grace. Search us, O God, and know our hearts, test us and know our troubled thoughts. Give us true repentance. Forgive us all our wrongs. Transform us by your Spirit to live for you each day, to learn to serve each other and, through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord, to come at last to heaven. Amen.

SONGS Our only hope
There is a hope

THE APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS ending with THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

NOTICES

SONG Now in reverence and awe

BIBLE READINGS Deuteronomy 30:1-20 (page 208), Philippians 2:12-30 (page 1179)
(This is the word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**)

SERMON How to work out your salvation

INSIGHTS AND QUESTIONS

SONG O Lord my God

CLOSING PRAYER

COLLECTION *Gifts may be placed in the Gifts box at the back of church*