

This Week

TODAY

Church Family Lunch straight after the morning service. Please stay and eat with us!

Cross-section (Y10-13)
7.45pm-9.00pm

**Tue
14 Mar**

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study, 10.00-11:30am.
Crèche provided.

CAP Prayer Meeting, 7.45pm at Christ Church.

**Wed
15 Mar**

Day Centre (for older people)
10am – 2.30pm

**Thu
16 Mar**

'Story' starts – see details →
NO Explorers
NO Club 114

**Fri
17 Mar**

Prayer Meeting for 'Story',
7.30-8.00am, Cranmer Room.

Stay and Play (baby and toddler group) 10.00am-11.30am

Looking Ahead

**Sat
25 Mar**

9:38 Student Day, see Andy Martin for further details.

**Tue
28 Mar**

PCC Meeting, 7.45 for 8.00pm

**31 Mar
-2 Apr**

Youth Weekend Away



Story: What's yours?

Mar 16-19



Thu 16th:

7.30pm - Men's Curry Night

Fri 17th:

10am - Stay & Play

7pm - Pizza & Movie

Sat 18th:

10am - Ladies Brunch

10am - Dads' Stay & Play (Bacon Butties)

3pm - Love is... Concert

5.30pm - Pancakes & Pandemonium
(7-14 yrs)

7.30pm - Classical Dinner

Sun 19th:

10am - Morning Service

6pm - Café Church

Please pick up a flyer on the Information Table for more info on events. Tickets can also be reserved and purchased from the foyer after the service.

News and Requests

Women's Book Group will meet on 8th May to discuss 'Out of the Black Shadows'. Newcomers welcome! Speak to Elizabeth Barry or Chris Stonehouse for more details.

Gina is away from the Parish Office from 21 March – 12 April, inclusive.



12th March 2017

making and maturing disciples of
Jesus Christ in Birmingham
and for the world

**10.00am Morning Service
with Holy Communion**

Dealing with disaster – *John Ruck*
Luke 13:1-9

6.00pm Evening Service

Timeless wisdom – *Chris Hobbs*
Proverbs 8:22-31

Children and young people will go to their activities part way through the service:

Creche and **Club114** leave through the Foyer to go to their rooms.

Sunday Club: Scramblers, Climbers and **Explorers** leave through the Hudson-Taylor Room at the front of church.

Sunday Club is looking at Proverbs this term, and today we will look at Prov 8:11, thinking about who we listen to.

Club 114 are back in Daniel, looking at how God is sovereign and has decided how long kingdoms will last for, however powerful they look.

Refreshments are served after the services.

Toilets are in the foyer and upstairs; baby-

changing facilities are in the disabled toilets.

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New? Welcome!



You are very welcome – whether you are looking into Christianity for the first time, have been a Christian for years, or are looking for a church in Birmingham.



Please complete the tear-off slip overleaf and give it to one of the staff or welcome team wearing a badge, or place it in the Gifts Box at the back of church. We will get in touch with you shortly. Please also help yourself to a Welcome Booklet from the display in the Foyer.

Name/s

Address

Phone

Email

I would like to know more about:

- Being a Christian
- Newcomers' events
- Small Groups
- Pre-school activities
- Children's / Youth Work
- Student events
- Giving to the church
- Other

Sermon Notes

**Dealing with disaster
Luke 13:1-9**

Questions – wrong answers and Jesus' answer "unless you repent"

1. About disasters

2. About what God is really looking for

3. About how we must respond

Missed a sermon recently?
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Morning Service

OPENING PRAYER *Chris Hobbs*

HYMN Amazing grace

CONFESSION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

SONG Jesus is the King

NEWS

after which children and young people leave for their activities

SONG Mine are days that God has numbered

PRAYERS *Richard Griffith*

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.

BIBLE READINGS *Ian Butler*

Deuteronomy 30:1-20 (page 208)

Luke 13:1-9 (page 1046)

This is the word of the Lord;

Thanks be to God

SERMON Dealing with disaster *John Ruck*

THE NICENE CREED

SONG Jesus Christ I think upon your sacrifice

COMMUNION *(see insert)*

HYMN Lord of the church

CLOSING PRAYER

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OPENING PRAYER *Charles Hindley*

SONG

I will sing the wondrous story

CONFESSION

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

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SONGS

Over all the earth

O my soul, arise and bless your maker

Evening Service

THE APOSTLES' CREED

NEWS

SONGS

You have called us out of darkest night
Here is love

BIBLE READINGS *Peter Richardson*

Proverbs 8:22-31 (page 642)

Colossians 1:9-20 (page 1182)

This is the word of the Lord;

Thanks be to God

SERMON *Timeless wisdom Chris Hobbs*

INSIGHTS AND QUESTIONS

SONG He wraps himself in light

CLOSING PRAYER

Almighty God, we thank you for the gift of your holy word. May it be a lantern to our feet, a light to our paths, and a strength to our lives. Take us and use us to love and serve in the power of the Holy Spirit and in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please stay on after the service for tea/coffee and cake.