

## Next Week

**Is our Toy Service.** Each year Birmingham City Mission distribute gifts to about 3,000 children aged 0-2, 3-7 & 8-15. They need lots of toys for this project, and that's where we come in. Please bring toys to the service next week. New ones would be great but if not they must be in excellent condition, clean, complete and in working order. They are often short of toys for ages 0-2 & 8-15. They also need rolls and rolls of wrapping paper. Look out for wrapping parties to sign up to - details to follow.

## Looking Ahead

**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.**

**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.

## News, Notices and Requests

**Building for the Future news.** We are working flat out to get everything we need for the Phase 2 petition to the Diocese (the work on the church) completed within the next three weeks.

**Dates for 2015!** Please put these in your diaries now- and pick up a calendar from the back of church if you don't have one.

The Wild Wild West Holiday Club **August 25<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>.**

Church Weekend Away **October 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> 2015.**

**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!

**Help needed in crèche.** We have a growing group of lovely crèche children and are in need of extra volunteers and leaders. Please speak to Helen Buckley if you can help.

**Vacancies.** Day Centre Leader and Maternity cover for Parish Administrator. Details on the Information Table. Christ Church are looking for a part-time caretaker, contact Jane for more details on

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**ST STEPHENS AND ST WULSTANS SELLY PARK**



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## Welcome

**26<sup>th</sup> October 2014**

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

## 10.00am Morning Service

'Mission impossible?' (Luke 1:26-38) – Chris Hobbs

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

**0-3's** Crèche is in the back room, please collect your child during the final song.

**3-11's** Will be taken to the Medical Centre across the road, and be brought back at the end of the service.

**11-14's** will meet at the back and be taken to 9 Serpentine Road, they will be brought back at the end of 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 be humble' (Philippians 1:27-2:11) – Andy Martin

**Coffee, tea and cakes** are served after the service.

## Sermon notes

### How to be humble

Philippians 1:27-2:11

#### 1. The key to living for Christ is unity (1:27-30)

#### 2. The key to unity is humility (2:1-4)

#### 3. The key to humility is Christ (2:5-11)

OPENING PRAYER *led by Chris Hobbs*

SONGS At the name of Jesus  
There is a higher throne

BIBLE READING Isaiah 52:13-53:12 (page 740)

CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Lord, we have come to see that our lives fall far short of your glory.

**Have mercy and forgive us.**

Lord, you have given your life for us, and poured out your Spirit, yet we fail to return your love with all our heart. **Have mercy and change us.**

Too often we are selfish and proud, ignoring you, Lord, and neglecting others.

**Have mercy and cleanse us.**

Lord, when we do not truly trust and obey you,

we are overwhelmed by self-pity, fear and worry. **Have mercy and deliver us.**

In Christ we are given a sure hope and secure love,

yet we follow the false hopes and desires of this world. **Have mercy and forgive us.**

Father, through the redeeming death of your Son on the cross,

by your Spirit and through your word, transform and renew us to follow you with joy.

**All this we ask, confident in your unchanging faithfulness. Amen.**

BIBLE READING Philippians 1:27-2:11 (page 1179)

(This is the word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**)

SERMON How to be humble

INSIGHTS AND QUESTIONS

SONGS See what a morning  
Light of the world  
There is no other name

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

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

SONG From heaven you came

CLOSING PRAYER

**Our loving Father, we pray that our love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that we may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ – to the glory and praise of your name. Amen.**

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