

CHRISTIAN AID - THE BIG SHIFT

Throughout Christian Aid's history it has been challenging the systems and structures that perpetuate injustice, such as apartheid, debt, trade and tax dodging.

Climate change is one of the greatest challenges we face and Christian Aid's **Big Shift Campaign** is working towards a better safer world - but they need people to get involved. If you would like to know more, there is a Big Shift Climate Campaign training event at Manchester University on 30th January at 6.30pm. Please speak to Nick Lowther if you'd like to know more.

CAP MONEY COURSE

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The CAP Money Course is a revolutionary, free money management course that teaches budgeting skills and a simple, cash-based system that really works. The course is designed to help anyone gain more control

over their finances so they can save, give and prevent debt. It is highly recommended for everyone!

Our next courses will run on **Tuesdays 21st and 28th February, and 7th March** in St Matthews at either 1.30pm or 7.30pm – whichever time suits you best. Please speak to Anne Wellock or Vera Wormall for more information.

CLEAR UP MORNING

The next clear up morning around the canal and centre of Stalybridge will be next Saturday 28th January from 9.30-12.30pm. Can you help? It's good to be doing something practical together to help improve our town and we're glad that the church can be a focal point to help this to happen. Please just come for an hour if you can't make the whole morning – there's a great atmosphere and it's surprisingly good fun!

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The church office is open Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9.00am to 3.00pm and Wednesday 10.00am to 3.00pm



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WELCOME

We are delighted that you have joined us for our Family Services this morning and extend a particular welcome to friends and family of Orion Wellock who is to be baptised in our 11.15 service.

If you are visiting or new to Holy Trinity it's great to have you with us - we hope that you feel at home. Children are especially welcome - there will be an activity for them in the service and they are welcome to come forward to join in the children's song. If they (or you!) become too frazzled, please feel free to use the lounge area at the back where there are toys to play with and you can still hear the service.

Please make yourself known to one of the Welcome Team (wearing white badges) after the service - they would love to get you a cup of coffee and tell you a little about the church.



Sunday 22nd January
9.15am Family Service
11.15am Family Service with Baptism
'The Rich Fool'
Luke 12:13-21

Monday 23rd January
9.15am Family Forum
7.30pm Alpha Plus in church lounge
7.30pm Freedom in Christ
in St Matthews

Wednesday 25th January
9.00am Prayer meeting
10.00am Bridge Coffee shop
1.30pm 'Open the Book' meeting
2.00pm Art & Knitting group
7.00pm Engage youth club

Thursday 26th January
9.30am Funeral of Marian Clarke
at Dukinfield Crematorium
7.15pm Youth Encounter
7.30pm Worship group

Friday 27th January
10.30 Bible Study

Saturday 28th January
9.30am Clear up morning
12.30pm Church Walk

Sunday 29th January
9.15am and 11.15am Communion
and Children's Groups
'I believe in God the Father'
Matthew 6:5-13
4.00pm Prayer Ministry team meeting

WORSHIPPING GOD BUILDING COMMUNITY SERVING THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

NEW WINE WOMEN'S DAY

Saturday 18th March 10.00am - 4.30pm at Harrogate. Cost is £20 if booked before 28th February. Book online at www.new-wine.org.



GIFT DAY

We are having a Gift Day on Sunday 12th February when we will welcome financial gifts towards the new roof and the maintenance of the church building. There should be an addressed envelope at the back for all church members which gives more details about how the money will be used and how you can take part.



CHURCH WALK

See below for details of our next church walk on Saturday 28th January.

Walk: Hollingworth Lake, Littleborough (near Rochdale)

Meet: Civic Hall car park at 12.30pm or 1.15pm at the Visitor Centre where there is parking (charges apply).

Category walk: Green. The walk is around Hollingworth Lake itself, which is approximately two miles - all flat, so suitable for younger children and those who would struggle with the more strenuous walks. We will stop for tea/coffee towards the end. Even though the walk is not strenuous, it is still advisable to wear good walking shoes and waterproof/windproof jacket. There is the additional option of splitting the group and lengthening the walk for those who would like to stretch their legs further, depending upon the weather of course.

Mobile number on the day is: 07866 836280

Hope to see you there! *Paula Chester*

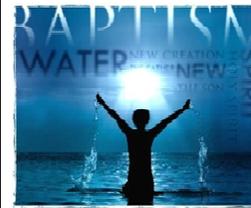


DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

'BIG CHURCH DAY OUT' are organising a festival on Saturday 3rd June at Capesthorne Hall in Cheshire. There will be worship led by Bethel Music, Rend Collective, Switchfoot, Casting Crowns, Tim Hughes, Worship Central and many others together with fun activities for all the family.

Anyone willing to serve on team for the day gets a free place and food. See flyers at the back of church, www.bigchurchdayout.com or speak to Lou Mitchell for more information.

BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION & AFFIRMATION OF FAITH



It is very important for Christians to publicly affirm their faith in the presence of friends, family and members of the church. We do this through baptism, or if you have already been baptised as a child, through confirmation.

Bishop Libby, the Bishop of Stockport, will be joining us to lead a special joint service of Baptism, Confirmation and Affirmation of Faith for us on **Sunday 26th**

February at 10.30am (both congregations coming together).

If you have invited Jesus into your life in this last year or have renewed your faith in some way, this service is for you!

For those who have never been baptised, this is your opportunity to publicly declare your faith. For those who were baptised as children but have never publicly taken the promises made on their behalf for themselves, then the confirmation service is where this takes place.

If you have already been baptised and confirmed but would like to publicly affirm your faith, then there is also the opportunity to do this in the same service. Please speak to Tom or Will for more information.

PRAYER

Don't forget our weekly prayer meeting on Wednesdays from 9.00 – 9.45am in St Matthews. Please join us if you can – a great way to start the day!



WOMEN'S WEEKEND AWAY

Join us for a weekend away with the women (16+) from the church. We are going to Hebden Bridge from the 17th to 19th February and will be staying in a hostel, doing a mixture of discipleship and getting to know each other. The cost for the weekend will be £60 for accommodation and food. Please give Charlie Laver your money to secure a place, or drop a cheque into the church office. We have limited places so it is first come, first served. Please chat to Charlie, Lizzie Hopkins, Ruth Vickers or Rachel Drain for more information or ring Charlie on 07984 286038.

COLLECTION

We don't pass a collection plate during our services - instead we have a basket near the church entrance where we ask people to place their gifts towards God's work. If you would like to make a donation today, please use one of the envelopes on the cupboards at the back and place it in the basket before or after the service. Thank you!