

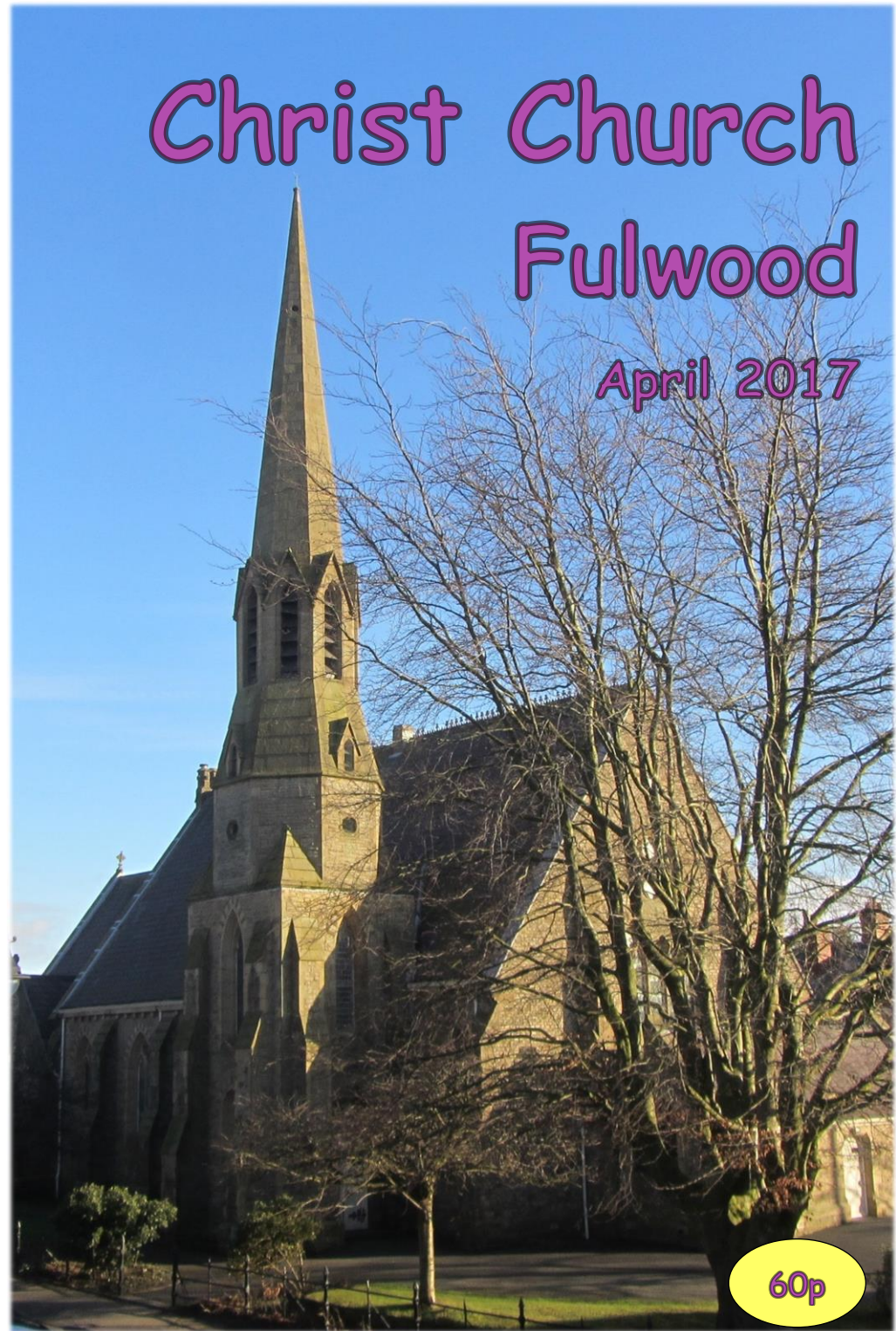


St.
Patrick's
Night
(see Pg6)



Christ Church Fulwood

April 2017



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Church Hall The Church Hall is available for hire, particularly for weekly/monthly events. **Contact:** Margaret Brown, Colebatch Tel: 07926 374863
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Services at Christ Church

Sunday Worship	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (1 st , 3 rd & 4 th Sundays in the month)
		Family Service (2 nd Sunday)
		Morning Worship (when there's a 5 th Sunday)
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)
		Holy Communion (BCP) (4 th Sunday in the month)

Weekday Services: Prayers in the Vestry/Church (during term time):
Tuesday - 9.00pm; **Friday** - 9.00am
Also: Thursday - 10:30am Holy Communion and 7.00pm Evening Prayers

Baptism, Confirmation, Marriages & Funerals

All by arrangement with Brian, the Vicar (Tel: 719210)

Visiting The Vicar is always ready to visit the sick at home or in hospital, or anyone else who needs his help. Please inform him if there is anyone you know who would appreciate a visit - a written note is especially helpful.

What's on at Christ Church - activities are mainly in the Church Hall.

Parochial Church Council Normally meets in the Vestry at 7.00pm on the 3rd Monday in Jan, March, May, July, Sept & Nov.

Choir Practice	9.45am	each Sunday in Church (except 2 nd Sundays)
Junior Church	10.30am	Sundays in Church (term time) then in the Hall
Pathfinders	10.30am	Sundays in Church (term time) then in the Hall
Rainbows	5.30pm	Tuesdays in term time in the Hall
Brownies	6.00pm	Tuesdays in term time in the Hall
Guides	7.00pm	Tuesdays in term time in the Hall
Parent & Toddlers	10.00am	Mondays in term time (to 11.30am) in the Hall
Crafters	2.00pm	Thursdays in the Vestry
HOPE Group	7.15 for 7.30pm	1 st & 3 rd Wednesdays each month, in the Vestry
Crossway	7.30pm	3 rd Thursday each month (not July & August) in Hall
Cake & Company	10.00am	3 rd Friday each month in Hall (to 12noon)

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Circulation Manager Sue Cameron, 104 Victoria Rd Tel: 717304

Sun	2 Apr	10.30am	Brian's Farewell Service & lunch - see Pg2 Young people in Church for the Service
Mon	3 Apr		NO weekday prayers in Church to 20 th April - see Pg7
Wed	5 Apr	7.30pm	HOPE Group meets in the Vestry - see Pg 6
Thur	6 Apr	10.30am	Holy Communion Service in Church (each Thurs)
Sun	9 Apr	10.30am	PALM SUNDAY - Family Service 3.00pm Passion Play Choir & Band rehearsing in Hall
Tues	11 Apr	7.30pm	Taizé-style Service for Holy Week
Wed	12 Apr	11.00am	Lunch for Older Generation, inc. Communion (sign up)
Thur	13 Apr	11.00am	Chrism Eucharist Service at Blackburn Cathedral 1.15pm Lunch at 'The Norman Jepson' - sign up in church 7.30pm Maundy Thursday Communion & Stripping of the Altar
Fri	14 Apr	<u>10.00am</u>	(NOTE TIME) Service of the word for all ages (Pg7) 11.30am Preston Passion Play (Winckley Sq.) - see Pg 7 6.30pm GOOD FRIDAY: Time of prayer & reflection in church
Sun	16 Apr	6.30am	SONrise Service at Preston's College amphitheatre 10.30am EASTER DAY Service [NO Junior Church/Pathfinders (school holiday)]
Wed	19 Apr	7.30pm	HOPE Group meets in the Vestry - see Pg 6
Thur	20 Apr	7.00pm	Evening Prayers in Vestry each Thurs (to 7.30pm) 7.30pm Crossway meets in the Hall - see Pg 6
Fri	21 Apr	9.00am	NOTE: Weekday Prayers in Church re-commence (Pg7) 10.00am Cake & Company in Hall to 12 noon- all welcome (Pg7)
Sun	23 Apr	10.30am	Young people in Church before JunChurch/Pathfinders 6.30pm Choral Evensong (St George's Day) - see Pg 7
Mon	24 Apr	7.00pm	Annual Church Meetings, held in Church - see Pg 6
Wed	26 Apr	7.30pm	Brian's Induction Service at St Wilfrid's, Ribchester
Thur	27 Apr	7.30pm	Passion Play Concert in Preston Minster (free admission)
Sun	30 Apr	10.30am	Young people in Church before JunChurch/Pathfinders

Forward Notice for May

Sun 14 May 2.30pm Our next Messy Church, in the Hall - see Pg 5

And finally . . .

Good Friday (14th April) . . .

Preston Passion Play . . .

11.30am, starts in Winckley Square
(see page 7)



Farewell!



It is the season of farewells for me at the moment!

As I write this I have had my farewell PCC meeting followed today by a fine lunch with the Clergy of the Deanery and more to come with Archbishop Temple and Churches Together. All have been joyful occasions. How I will be on 2nd April for my last Sunday in the Parish as I preach and celebrate for the last time as your Incumbent, I do not know!

Above all things Fulwood has been "Home" to Shannon and Chloe and for the rest of their lives when asked: Where are you from? The answer will be Fulwood, Preston. To be able to offer a secure base during Primary, Secondary, College and now University has been a blessing beyond words. Additionally I would not have been able to offer the ministry that I have without the companionship and love of Sue. To have celebrated milestones of Silver & Pearl Weddings, and 50th birthdays have been a great highlight in our time for us. Her vocation as a teacher to 56 three year olds everyday is as important, if not more so, than mine.

All jobs have challenges and difficulties and Christ Church has been no exception but our overwhelming memory of our time with you has been of joy, fulfilment and being truly blessed. My theme for my last Sunday will be "Death and Resurrection". I believe it to be at the heart of our Christian Gospel and as you journey in the forthcoming Holy Week and Easter Services I hope that you will discover that to be for you too.

Please pray for the PCC as they embark on the task of discovering the fortunate person who is to be the next Vicar of Fulwood.

With all our love and prayer

Brian, Sue, Shannon and Chloe McConkey x



Sunday Worship in April

2nd April

Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am Brian's Farewell Service



Welcome: Paul & Michelle Jordan
 Prayers: Mandy & Emma
 Bread & Wine: Dave & Mary Sergeant
 Communion Assistant: Joan Curphey & Chris Hedley
 Readings: Philippians 3: 1-10 Sue McConkey
 John 11: 1-44 Phil

12.30pm Baptism x3
 6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP) Welcome: Margaret Ghori
 Readings: Lam. 3.19 -33 Margaret Ghori
 Matt. 20 17 - end Phil McClenaghan
 Psalm: 30



9th April

Palm Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am Family Service



Welcome: Barbara Barber & Angela Crook
 Prayers: Chris Hartnett

Readings: to come Mary Fletcher
 6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP) Welcome: Margaret Ghori
 Readings: Isa.5 1 -7 Brent Sutton
 Matt. 21 33 - end Karen Sutton
 Psalm: 80



Flowers in April (see note re Lilies on Pg7)

Thur 6 Apr [still in Lent]
 Thur 13 Apr (for Easter) the team
 Thur 20 Apr Joyce Masterton
 Thur 27 Apr Judith Rawson & Barbara Barber



Refreshment Rota

Sun 2 Apr Marie Wylie, Sue & Bex Walsh
 Sun 9 Apr Adrienne Clarkson, Carol Knight & Dorothy Bradley
 Sun 16 Apr Elsie Lenton, Steve & Chris Hedley
 Sun 23 Apr Sue Dewhurst, Mary Fletcher & Pam Young
 Sun 30 Apr Christine Banik, Margaret Harrison & Sue Wright



Prayers As there's reduced staff now, we'll be having a break for weekday prayers in church for the 2 weeks leading up to Easter - so finish on Friday 31st March and restart on Thursday 20th April. **Normally prayers will now be Tuesdays 9pm, Thursdays 7pm & Fridays 9am.** [Phil]



Preston 'Passion Play' - "A Life Worth Knowing" - Fri 14th April

It's now 5 years since the Preston Guild and the Church of Preston will come together again, this time for a special 'Passion Play' in the City Centre on **Good Friday.**

Beginning at 11.30am in Winckley Square Gardens, the Way of the Cross will follow Fishergate finishing on the steps of the Harris Museum.

Duration: approximately 1½ hours. The whole performance is accompanied by Preston Concert Band with other musicians, and a specially formed choir (including some from Christ Church), currently practising in three areas of Preston. Already around 140 people are involved, among them professional performers. Phil has arranged for **our Good Friday Church Service to start at 10am.** This will give you time to be in the City Centre for 11.30am to see this very special event.



Easter Lilies: If you'd like to help towards the cost of the Easter Lilies in Church, please just place your donation in the 'flower box' on the back table.

Choral Evensong on the Eve of St. George's Day - 23rd April, 6:30pm

As part of our mixed economy of worship at Christ Church, we are very pleased to be hosting a Choral Evensong for St. George's Day at Christ Church. The Vicar of Preston, Rev'd Canon Timothy Lipscomb, has very kindly agreed to preside and preach at this celebration. An extended Christ Church Choir will be leading the music with visiting organist, Sam Walmsley (Preston Parish Church) kindly accompanying our worship. Please do make an effort to attend this event at which we will also be praying for the appointment of a new Vicar of Fulwood.

THANK YOU Doris Sellers writes: thank you for my cards and good wishes following my recent operation.



Our next Cake & Company café drop in for adults will be on Friday 21st April from 10 am to 12 in the Hall. Contact Margaret Harrison (01772 712869) or Steve Hedley (01772 652475) for further information.

Crossway

We were all amazed and delighted in February with the wealth of information and displays about the Titanic which Tony brought along. He was so enthusiastic and his talk was really enjoyed by all.



Our meeting on Thursday 20th April will be very different as David and Julie Oliver are bringing along their guide dog and will be telling us their story. So we hope to see you at 7.30pm in The Church Hall.

If you are thinking of joining us for the proposed trip to the Lakes on Friday 12th May please will you sign up by the first weekend in April as so far there has been a very poor response so we are considering cancelling? We were hoping to call at Lakeland Plastics, visit Rydal Hall for lunch and then return to Hayes / Ambleside for the afternoon, the cost £25.

HOPE Group in April



Wednesday 5th April - Finding Your Life Verse - A Bible verse that you believe to be specifically representative or predictive of your life. We will explore how to go about finding our life verses and share with the group any that we already have.

Wednesday 19th April - I Am the Resurrection and the Life. We will explore what Jesus meant when he made this statement (John 11²⁵)

HOPE group meets on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. Everyone is welcome. Don't worry if you haven't been before or can't make it to every meeting. We enjoy fun and fellowship as well as taking opportunities for spiritual growth. Meet in the vestry at church at 7.15 for a 7.30pm start finishing at 9pm. We look forward to seeing you. For further information see the website or email Elizabeth on eabailey@blueyonder.co.uk

'May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope' (Romans 15¹³)

Annual Church Meetings - 7pm Monday 24th April - In Church

You are invited . . . we elect the Church Wardens, consider the report on last year, elect the PCC and Deanery Synod members, Sidespeople (Welcome Team), etc. It's about people and how we can work for God through his church in Fulwood. Please do come along and be part of the vision.



Late News - St Patrick's Night Social (photos - back cover)

Over £700 was raised, for the Church Building Fund, by the St Patrick's Night event in the Hall on 17th March. Well done to Margaret, Elsie, Chris, Steve and Adam, and all others who helped. Brian comments, "That's a fabulous effort".

16th April

6.30am

8.00am

10.30am



Readings:

6.30pm

Readings:

Easter Day

SONrise Service at Preston's College
Holy Communion (BCP)

Easter Sunday Holy Communion

Welcome: Bob & Viki Cuthbertson

Prayers: Phil

Bread & Wine: Jean Preston & Marie Wylie

Communion Assistant: Ken Curphey & Gwynneth Greenwood

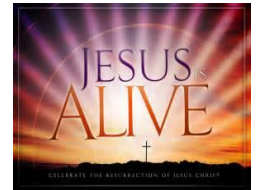
Acts. 10. 34 - 43 John Bailey

John 20. 1 -18 Elizabeth Bailey

Holy Communion (BCP) Welcome: Julia Laing

Col. 3 1 -7 Julia Laing

John. 20 1- 10 Phil McClenaghan



23rd April

8.00am

10.30am

Readings:

6.30pm

Readings:

Psalms:

2nd Sunday of Easter

Holy Communion (BCP)

Holy Communion

Welcome: Phil James & Brenda Woolley

Prayers: Chris & Steve Hedley

Bread & Wine: Michael & Elsie Lenton

Communion Assistant: Adrienne Clarkson & Shirley Duggan

1 Pet. 1. 3 -9 Chris Hedley

John 20. 19 -end Steve Hedley

Choral Evensong (St George's Day) - see Page 7

Welcome: Julia Laing

Exod.15. 1 - 21 Julia Laing

Col. 1. 1-14 Chris Hartnett

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30th April

8.00am

10.30am

Readings:

6.30pm

Readings:

Psalms:

3rd Sunday of Easter

Holy Communion (BCP)

Café Church Welcome: Jim & Linda Clare

Prayers: Phil

to come Paul Jordan

Holy Communion (BCP) Welcome: Margaret Ghori

Hag. 1. 13 - 29 Margaret Ghori

Cor. 3. 10 -17 Michael Higgins

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REGISTERS

Christian Baptism 'We welcome you'

26th February

Emily Alice **GIBNEY**

Parents - Ian & Carrie Anne, Jemmett Str.



26th February

Ajay Thomas **EDWARDS**

Amber Lily Louise **EDWARDS**

Parents: Andrew and Isabelle, St Pauls Road



Christian Wedding 'Joined in Christ'

11th March Adam **SOOTHILL** and Kelly **HELM** Whinsands Close
My last wedding at Christ Church was a lovely occasion which I shared with both families and friends. Helping people as they prepare and come to marriage has been a favourite part of my ministry and has been helped by what many have described as a beautiful Church by so many. [Brian]

Christian Funeral 'In Christ all will be brought to life'

David HEWITT

Victoria Road

died 9th Feb

David recently started attending Christ Church at both the morning and evening services. He spent some time as a site supervisor for schools, as well as running his own gardening business. David was a very private man who had a love of music, especially from the 1980's, and of the Red Arrows and air shows. He had an uncanny ability to turn a conversation around so that it was about the other person giving him the chance to demonstrate his deeply caring nature. He is greatly missed by wife Gemma and son Lewis.

Michael HOUGH

Coniston Rd.

died 23rd Feb

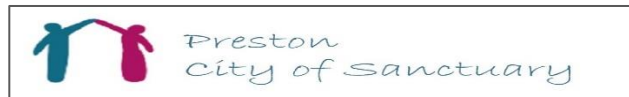
Mick worked at BAE Systems. He loved football and played to a high standard. A big North End fan. He was a great music lover and a couple of his favourites were played at the funeral. He loved his family and is survived by wife, Dianne and children, John and Rachel.

[Dr] **John BOOTHMAN**

Highgate Ave

died 19th Feb

John was a well-respected doctor in Fulwood. Outside of work he was a fine rugby player and played for Harlequins. He was passionate about crosswords and very cryptic ones at that. His late wife, Heather, was a regular at Christ Church who died some 7 years ago. John is survived by his 2 sons: Richard and Stuart and his family.



City of Sanctuary

On Monday 27th February I was fortunate enough to attend the launch event of Preston becoming a City of Sanctuary in Preston Minster. This is part of a national movement to build a culture of welcome for people seeking sanctuary in the UK. Here, in Preston, there is a commitment to extend the welcome of our city to people who come here seeking safety and protection, as well as being dedicated to help with the long-term integration between the new citizens and our multicultural communities.

It is hoped that with City of Sanctuary, there will be a network of people and organisations created and connected right across the city, united in making Preston more welcoming, open and fair for all by creating a platform for collaboration, dialogue and mutual opportunities.

I would encourage us all to pray for the ongoing work of this project, and to consider if there are any individual ways in which God is calling us to respond. Refugees and asylum seekers in Preston and beyond are supported by a wide range of organisations. However, every organisation and activity relies on volunteers and charitable donations.

Could you consider offering one of the following?

- Regular donations
- One off gifts
- Organising a fund raising event
- Help with transport
- Donating household goods
- Volunteering at a drop in or talk English group
- Social activities/building friendship with asylum-seekers or refugees
- Other professional skills
- Being part of a prayer group with regular updates
- Offer of housing or accommodation

Find their web-site on:

<https://cityofsanctuary.org>

If this is something you would like more information on, please speak to Phil.

Our next Messy Church is on **Sunday 14th May 2.30 to 4.30pm**. When



we will be having lots of activities that will help us explore what happened to Jesus and his followers after Easter. As usual, we will be sharing a meal together after our worship. Contact Chris Hedley (01772 652475) for further information.