



**Showing God's love in Christ to our community through prayer,
witness and service**

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Welcome!

In the name of Jesus Christ, we warmly welcome you to our service today.

Thank you for the enrichment you bring to our worship by your praise and fellowship. Please continue in fellowship by joining us for refreshments after the service

Prayer is offered at the end of Morning Service – please sit on the front row and a member of the Prayer Team will come to you.

Please ask a Steward about large print hymnbooks if required.

Hearing Loop available

Sunday 12th November

**10.45am 10.45am St Paul's Church Cenataph –
Remembrance Service**

6.30pm Blakelees – Avis Palmer

Sunday 12th November 2017

**'Before the service, speak to God. During the service, let God speak to you.
After the service speak to one another'**

Ho Ho Helsby The planning meeting is on Tuesday 14th November, 8pm at 11 Denbigh Close. Thank you to everyone who has offered to help so far. If you would like to be part of this exciting event please join us.

For more information contact Nicola (nicolalightfoot60@gmail.com)

Candle Money Boxes are now available in the church entrance.

Please pick one up, fill and return by **Sunday 17th December** or bring to the **Christingle Service on Christmas Eve.** *Heather*

Operation Christmas Child. This year we will be filling shoeboxes again for Operation Christmas Child in the Link on the evening of **Monday 13th November from 7pm.** There will be refreshments during the evening to keep you going, so why not come along.

If you want to complete your own box please bring it to church before Wednesday 15th November as this is when they are being collected. If you feel unable to contribute in this way but can donate £5.00 to cover the costs of shipping etc. there will be a collection box in the entrance for this purpose. *Thanks Heather*

Annual Quiz Night – 18th November – Helsby Community Centre. The quiz night is now sold out. For those lucky ones with tickets please don't forget to bring your own drinks and be there for 7pm.

A Call for New Stewards

We are desperately in need of two new stewards. If you are interested at all and/or would like to find out what being a steward entails please contact John Dearden, Jon Ford, Dave Penny or Dave Taylor for more information. If you feel that you would be interested but could not commit long term a trial period could be possible rather than a full year.

West Cheshire Foodbank

Thank you very much from everyone at the West Cheshire Foodbank.

Please continue to help by donating an item or two from our shopping list to ensure we can provide help to people in crisis: UHT Milk and UHT Juice, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Custard, Tinned Fish, Tinned Spaghetti, Instant Coffee 100g, Cup-a- Soups, , Instant Mash, Cereal.

Drop in every Friday 10.00am - 12 noon in The Link. We're a friendly group who meet for friendship and fellowship. We knit, sew, do craftwork, plus board games, read newspapers and sometimes have music too. Open to all (men included). Tea, Coffee and Biscuits provided. Share your good news.

Service recordings – Our morning services are usually recorded and available on a memory stick to be played on computer at home, or on listening devices available from Church. If you know of someone who is unable to be at this morning's service please let the Duty Steward know and we will do our best to make it available.

Viv Robinson has now taken on the roll of **Booking Secretary**, and so she now has the Church Diary .Please contact her if you need to make a booking tel. 722338 or email her on geofviv@gmail.com

There is a prayer diary on the small table in the vestibule and it will remain there throughout the year. You are invited to put in anyone's name that you wish us as a church family to pray for in the service each Sunday.

Forthcoming Events

Monday 18th December - Carol Singing at Tesco 6.30pm – 7.30pm

Sunday 3rd December - Community Carol Service. 2.00pm

Join us for a fun, informal carol singing event featuring local school choirs!
Led by Revd David Bintliff and followed by refreshments.

Sunday 17th December -Carol Service 10.30am

followed by refreshments including mince pies

Saturday 24th December – Christmas Eve Christingle Service 4.00pm

The story of the first Christmas - with sweets, candles, oranges! Start Christmas with the festive fun event. Followed by drinks and mince pies

Sunday 25th December – Christmas Day Family Celebration 10.30am

Family Service for ALL Bring a present - share the fun.

	Activities for the Week Ahead
Monday 13th	Muddles 10.00am – 12.00 noon in the Link. Muddles is a friendly and fun mums and tots group, we also welcome of course dads, grandparents, carers and child-minders. We enjoy play-time, healthy snack time and song-time, so why not come along and join the fun! <i>(Cath Clarke 727217)</i> Operation Christmas Child Evening in the Link from 7pm. All welcome to come and help. Refreshments will be available.
Tuesday 14th	Tuesday Morning Housegroup 10.00am – 12.00 noon in The Link <i>(Chris Critchley 722094)</i> Walking Football for the over 55's 5.00pm – 6.00pm at Frodsham Leisure Centre £3.00
Wednesday 15th	Ladies Evening Group 7.30pm in The Link. <i>(Denise Kidd 723162)</i> Devotional – Rev Christine Jones Steve Lightfoot's Housegroup 8pm at 184 Chester Road (Rachel's House) (<i>Steve Lightfoot 723071</i>)
Thursday 16th	Muddles 9.30am – 11.30am in the Link followed by: Church Mice 11.30am – 12 noon in Church <i>(Cath Clarke 727217)</i>
Friday 17th	"Time For Prayer" 9.30am – 10.00am in Church Friday Drop-in 10am – 12 noon in The Link <i>(Church Office 727217)</i>
Saturday 18th	Annual Quiz Night at the Community Centre, 7pm.

Rota Duties	This Week	Next Week
Welcoming Stewards	N/A Service at St Paul's	Gill Lockett Janet Mather
Tea	N/A Service at St Paul's	Gill Lockett Janet Mather
Sound desk	N/A Service at St Paul's	Steve Hughes
Reader	N/A Service at St Paul's	John Ford
Pre-Worship Prayers	N/A Service at St Paul's	Norma Dearden
Flowers	N/A Service at St Paul's	Jane Futter
Foodbank Rota	Colin Holden	Lucy Penny

The Leadership Team:

Rev David Bintliff 209818

**Cath Clarke 723304, John Dearden 722292, Jon Ford 724968,
Nicola Lightfoot 723071, Ian Oulton 724587, Dave Penny 371085,
Dave Taylor 724524, Rob Wigmore 723105.**

Church Office

The Church Office is staffed on Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

Weekly Notices: Prepared by Heather Oulton 727217 or hmadmin@btinternet.com

Item for inclusion in the Notices should be advised before 12.00 noon on Thursday

Next week – Sunday 19th November

Duty Steward: **Dave Penny**

10.00am Pre Worship Prayer in the Oasis

10.30am Geof Robinson

6.30pm Blakelees – Rev David Bintliff – Holy Communion

Information from The Trussell Trust

We're seeing soaring demand at foodbanks across the UK. This week we released new figures which show 586,907 emergency food supplies were given to people in crisis between April and September this year – a 13% increase compared to the same period the year before. 208,956 of these went to children.

We are concerned the situation will worsen in the months leading up to Christmas when demand for emergency food traditionally spikes, and when the number of foodbank clients in areas of full Universal Credit service will triple.

We have shared warnings about the rollout of Universal Credit since April. Parliament have responded and made the Universal Credit helpline free as a result of our campaigns. We have now taken further action and have unveiled a 'five point plan' to help prevent people going hungry at Christmas – a key part of this is a call for an urgent cut to the six week wait for Universal Credit payments.

Our foodbank referral data and University of Oxford research from earlier this year both suggest benefit levels are not preventing people from reaching crisis point. Ahead of the Budget, we are asking the Government to reassess its current four-year freeze on benefit levels. We predict these figures will continue to rise if no action is taken as we get nearer to another busy Christmas period, and whilst our network will be working hard to stop people going hungry, foodbanks cannot be relied upon to pick up the pieces.

Rob