



**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 20th August

Duty Steward: **John Dearden**

10.00am Pre – Worship prayer in the Oasis

10.30am Ian Oulton – Favourite Hymns

6.30pm Blakelees – Rev. Ian Rigby

Sunday 20th August 2017

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

Karibuni Trust– There are copies of the latest Karibuni newsletter in the foyer. Please take one! Thank you for your continued support. Paul Ingram (Karen's Dad)

Lower Hall Decorating Saturday from 10am . If you have some time to spare, please feel free to come and help with the **Lower Hall decorating**. This weekend we will continue the painting. Tea, coffee and bacon baps will be provided. There are also painting sessions going on during the week for those that want to help but struggle at weekends. Please contact George Wood (724162), Geof Robinson (722338), or Dave Critchley (722094) if you are interested in helping during the week . Many thanks for all your help. Jon Ford

Advance notice of dates for your diary:

Saturday 2nd September, 4pm.

The Circuit Welcome Service for Revd David Bintliff

Sunday 3rd September 10.30am -

David's first service here followed by a **bring and share lunch**.
Come and get to know our new minister and his family

Friday 8th September, 10am-8pm.

Helsby Day of Prayer for the Circuit
(More info on this to follow)

Saturday 16th September, 5.30pm for 6pm.

Harvest Supper and showing of the film " I, Daniel Blake."

Very Advanced Notice

There will be a coffee morning, bring & buy here with home- made cakes from 10.00am till 1.00pm on Saturday 23rd September entrance £2.00. This is for Cheshire Search & Rescue, a very valuable service offered by volunteers to work alongside emergency services to help locate vulnerable people who perhaps have wandered off.
Thanks in advance. Lucy Penny

A reminder that if you are interested in going to see "**Brother in Arms**" at **Liverpool Cathedral on 15th September** there is a sign up sheet in the church entrance. For more info see David or Christine Critchley tel; 722094

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

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.

Our warehouse stock of tinned potatoes, custard and longlife juice are running low. Especially low on UHT Milk. We would be grateful if your donations included these items. This Month's Needs: UHT Milk and Juice, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Veg, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Meat, Tinned Fish, Instant Coffee 100g, Biscuits, Tinned/Instant Custard, Pasta Sauces, Jams/Spreads, Cuppa Soup, Tinned Soup, Instant Mash. Rice, Pot Noodles, Instant Pasta, Tinned Fruit.

An Ecumenical Service at Chester Cathedral Sunday September 17th at 6.30pm - Focus on Modern Slavery and the Churches Response - A Service of Prayer, Focus and Reflection.....for all. Come and join us for a service to pray, reflect and raise awareness about the challenges of Modern Slavery. In attendance will be the Mayor of Chester, guest preacher Major Anne Read, Salvation Army (Director of Anti trafficking and Modern Slavery), representatives from Churches Together in Chester and across Cheshire, members of the Cheshire Anti-Slavery Network. People of all faiths and none are very welcome. [The format of the service will be available electronically afterwards via www.chestercathedral.com for others to freely use in their own churches and communities]

Activities for the Week Ahead	
Monday 21st	No Muddles – Summer Break
Tuesday 22nd	Walking Football for the over 55's 5.00pm – 6.00pm at Frodsham Leisure Centre £3.00
Wednesday 23rd	
Thursday 24th	No Muddles or MICE – Summer Break
Friday 25th	“Time For Prayer” 9.30am – 10.00am in Church Friday Drop-in 10am – 12 noon in The Link including Children’s Summer Activities with Rev Christine or Cath (Chris Critchley 722094)
Saturday 26th	Lower Hall Decorating 10.00am onwards

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.

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.

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.

Rota Duties	This Week	Next Week
Welcoming Stewards	Gill Cope Gill Lockett	Maureen Spence Rosemary Oulton
Tea	Lucy Penny Norma Dearden	Rob Wigmore Doreen Wigmore
Sound desk	Colin Holden	Steve Hughes
Reader	none needed	Jon Ford
Pre-Worship Prayers	Nicola Lightfoot	Rob Wigmore
Flowers	Chris Critchley	Jon Ford
Foodbank Rota	Ian Oulton	Rob Wigmore

The Leadership Team:

Rev. Christine Jones

**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 Monday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings. **Weekly Notices:** Prepared by Heather Oulton 727217 or hmcadmin@btinternet.com

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

Next week – Sunday 27th August

Duty Steward: **Dave Taylor**

9.00 am Rev Sue Levitt – Holy Communion

10.00am Pre – Worship prayer in the Oasis

10.30am Ken Jackson

6.30pm Blakelees – Service at Norley