Christ Church Notices

for the week beginning Sunday 08 January 2012
Epiphany
The Baptism of Christ

Today's Readings:

Acts 19:1-7

Mark 1:4-11

Next Sunday's Readings

1 Samuel 3:1-20

John 1:43-end

The Week Ahead

Monday 2.00pm Ladies Fellowship - see note below*

Tuesday 1.00pm Prayer Lunch

Tuesday 7.30pm Pew Befrienders' Meeting in church annex

Wednesday 1.00pm Funeral of Patricia Hill

Friday 9.30am Holy Communion Friday 11.00am Healing Course @

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FAIRTRADE GOODS will be on sale at both services Today.

PRAYER POINTS:

Please include these items in your prayers this week.

- ► The Covenanting Churches
- Worship, F&F Teams
- Our Clergy and Lay Readers

The three churches of this benefice as they prepare to appoint a new team rector.

<u>Covenanting Churches' Annual Renewal Service</u> - This will also mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. It will take place at St Michael's, Tettenhall on Sunday 15 January at 6.00pm. The service will be led by the Revd Richard Reeve and last approx. 40 mins, followed by refreshments and the AGM. Please come along if you can.

*Ladies Fellowship - meet Monday 9 January at 2.00pm in the new annex. Revd Paul Snape will talk about the music which has influenced his life. All welcome.

MOTHERS' UNION - will be meeting in our new meeting room on Thursday, 19 January 2012 at 2.00 p.m. for our Annual General Meeting, followed by a Tribute Tea. We look forward to welcoming new members from the Tettenhall & Aldersley Branch for this occasion. (If you can, please wear a name badge to help them identify you and make them feel at home). Members are reminded that the annual subscription of £18.00 is now due. To assist Jennie Childs, our Treasurer, please put your money in an envelope, clearly marked with your name.

<u>Social Gathering</u> to discuss any ideas we may have to improve the crèche service we offer at church. Anya Ellersiek has kindly offered to host the gathering at her house, 50 Long Lake Ave., Tettenhall Wood on Sunday 15 January 2012 at 8.00pm. Please let Anya know if you will be attending - Tel: 742870.

<u>Children Society boxes</u> yield over £700. Thank you for the generous and kind donations to the Children Society and we would be pleased if you would collect your empty boxes from the Church (near the book stall area). If your box has not yet been emptied this year please can you bring it into Christ Church. Next collections will be collected by 31 October 2012.

<u>Christ Church - Giving to Missions & Charities 2011</u> A list has been put up on the notice board in Christ Church of our Annual Giving to Missions and Charities Paid out in 2011. The list includes all causes recommended by members of our congregation.

<u>Healing Course</u> - Pippa is going to run a course on Healing starting in January. It will take place at The Good Shepherd at 11.00am on Fridays, and last for one and a half hours. Dates as follows:- 13 January, 20 January, 27 January, 3 February & 10 February.

<u>Pilgrims Progress to the Holy Land</u> on 3 May 2012 with Roger Balkwill. For application forms please contact Betty Smith at The Good Shepherd or Hilary Moore on Tel: 01902 892856.

"CELEBRATIONS FOR OUR NEW BUILDING"

On Thursday evening last members of the Building Fund committee met with other members of our congregation to discuss the celebrations planned for Friday 3 February, Saturday 4 February and Sunday 5 February 2012.

First of all we need to ask for your help in finding a name for the new building and Liz Biddulph will be handing you a slip for you to submit your suggestions. Please take the time to put your suggestions forward and return them to Liz.

Our plans for the 3 days are still in the early stages but the broad outline is that on the Friday teatime from 5pm to 6.30pm we plan to run a young persons disco and Sue Wilson will be very much involved with this.

Saturday 4 February will be Open Day with invitations to our own congregation, other local churches and the wider community. The building contractors and their staff, together with donors which includes local businesses will also be invited. Do take the opportunity to bring your family and friends to see what we have achieved. From 10am until noon we shall be offering bacon baps, from noon until 2pm it will be hot soup and a roll and from 2pm until 4pm cream teas will be served.

Jeanette Croft is overseeing these arrangements and obviously will need a team of helpers. Please offer your help to Jeanette.

We hope to have a raffle on the Saturday and it would be helpful if you would kindly donate a prize. Clive will accept these from you.

On Sunday 5 February the Bishop of Lichfield will be with us for the 11am service, which will be conducted by Pippa. After the service we hope to be able to offer a lasagne light lunch. There will be a list in church for numbers to be supplied.

CAKE STALL - next Sunday 15 January 2012.

Tree of Remembrance

We are pleased to announce that we collected £345.50 from donations.

Thank you all so much for your generosity.

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