

The Bulletin



NOVEMBER 2017

NEWS FROM THE PARISH OF
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AND ST JOHN'S ADLINGTON

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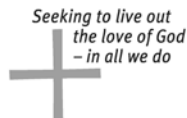
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If you would like further information on any of the events advertised in this month's bulletin, you'll find the contact details for all the local groups and organisations in The Rock. They all welcome new enquiries.

If you haven't had a copy of The Rock delivered, you may pick one up in church – it's still free!



Copydate for December

We'd like to include items of interest for all members of our congregations and village. Please send information to the Parish Office by 17 November and we'll do our best to fit it in. Pieces may be edited.

The lone worshipper

John Wesley famously said, “Sir, the Bible knows nothing of solitary Christianity” and the writer to the Hebrews exhorts us; “not to neglect meeting together as some are doing”. Surely a challenge to those who think they should only attend Church at Christmas and Easter?

But what of those who, for whatever reason, are not able to attend Church? Val and I began a sabbatical at the beginning of August only to find that at the same time I developed an illness that has kept us away from Church ever since.

The Anglo-Saxons kept a brazier burning constantly in the centre of each village, it was called a cresset. Each family was free to take a burning coal from it to light their own hearth fire. I have always taken that as a picture of how meeting together for worship and ministry helps to keep our faith alive. But how do those of us who are not able to attend Church manage to keep the hearth fire burning?

First and foremost our ministers are able to bring us reserved sacrament that continues to unite us with our wider worshipping community. Secondly, we have found great help from Christian worship books, of which there are many, including our own “common worship daily prayer”. In addition the media offers a variety of helpful material. We find that whenever we can we listen to “Thought for the Day” and “Morning Worship” on Radio 4 and enjoy singing along to the hymns on BBC1’s “Songs of Praise” on a Sunday.

The important thing to remember is that whether we are able to meet with other Christians or are stuck at home, Christ is always with us and sustains us with his love.

Rev Stephen Callis

Pause and remember

A hundred years ago our country was involved in the ‘Great War’ – the ‘War to End all Wars.’ It has been estimated that 6000 people a day lost their lives in that conflict, and the battles that cost so many lives are now known to us all; Ypres, The Somme, Jutland and so many more. Whole communities lost their menfolk in a single day. Three times that number – soldiers, sailors and airmen - suffered injuries which would stay with them for the rest of their lives.

Families throughout the land had to cope with bereavement. The British economy was severely damaged, jobs were difficult to find and families struggled when the conflict was over to exist, let alone get on with their lives. There were two million unemployed. Six million men had served in the Armed Forces – 725,000 never returned home! Of those that did return, nearly two million of them had suffered injury, disability or were permanently maimed.

On 15 May 1921 the British Legion was formed from a number of other ex-servicemen’s organisations that had been created after the Great War ended. The ‘Legion’ had one purpose – to care for all those that had suffered directly or indirectly through service in the Armed Forces. It has done so ever since!

The Second World War, the Korean War, the Falklands, Iraq and many other conflicts followed in the years thereafter. British men – and women – answered the call and went off to fight for the country. Many, yet again, did not to return. Or, as weaponry became more potent and deadly, they returned suffering from the most dreadful, life changing, injuries and disabilities. They, and their families, needed help and support. And the Legion was there for these men and women with ‘Hearts of Oak,’ who followed the Union flag and served Queen and Country, to offer the help and support needed.

In 1971 the British Legion was granted ‘Royal’ status and membership was opened to serving members of the Armed Forces as well as ex-Service personnel. Now anybody can be a member of the Royal British Legion and we welcome men and women of all ages, whether from a Service background or not, to help us – here in Prestbury – continue the good work started almost 100 years ago.

As we approach Remembrance Sunday, will you consider joining the Royal British Legion and help us continue to support today’s armed forces?

Brian Leighton, Chairman, Prestbury Royal British Legion

St Peter's, the CORE & St John's

Sunday 5 November

All Saints' Day

1 John 3:1-3

Matthew 5: 1-12

8.30am Holy Communion

Norman Chapel

Celebrant Michelle Goodrich

Preacher Michelle Goodrich

10.00am Discovering Communion

St Peter's

Celebrant Michelle Goodrich

Preacher Michelle Goodrich

10.00am Holy Communion Church of the Resurrection

Celebrant Pamela Hardman

Preacher Pamela Hardman

11.00am Hospital Service

St Luke's Chapel, Macclesfield Hospital

Officiant Keith Ravenscroft

Preacher Keith Ravenscroft

11.00am Family Service

St John's, Adlington

Officiant Margaret Tate

Preacher Margaret Tate

6.00pm Evensong

St Peter's

Officiant Keith Ravenscroft

Preacher Keith Ravenscroft

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5: 8-10

Sunday 12 November

Remembrance Sunday

3rd Sunday before Advent

1 Thessalonians 4: 13-end

John 15: 9-17

8.30am Holy Communion

Norman Chapel

Celebrant Michelle Goodrich

Preacher Michelle Goodrich

9.30am Remembrance Family Service

St Peter's

Leader Patrick Angier

Preacher Patrick Angier

10.45am Remembrance Service

St Peter's

Officiant Patrick Angier

Preacher Avril Ravenscroft

10.50am Remembrance Service

Church of the Resurrection

Officiant Keith Ravenscroft

Preacher Keith Ravenscroft

10.50am Remembrance Service

St John's, Adlington

Officiant Margaret Tate

Preacher Margaret Tate

4.00pm Drop In

The CoRe Community Hub, Upton Priory

Leader Andrea Fitton

St Peter's, the CORE & St John's

6.00pm Evensong

St Peter's

Officiant Patrick Angier

Preacher Patrick Angier

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love.

John 15: 9-10

Sunday 19 November

2nd Sunday before Advent

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Matthew 25: 14-30

8.30am Holy Communion

Norman Chapel

Celebrant Patrick Angier

Preacher Patrick Angier

9.45am Contemporary Communion

St Peter's

Celebrant Patrick Angier

Preacher Patrick Angier

10.00am Baptism

Church of the Resurrection

Celebrant Michelle Goodrich

Joint service with local denominations

11.00am Morning Worship

Norman Chapel

Officiant Avril Ravenscroft

Preacher Keith Ravenscroft

11.00am Holy Communion

St John's, Adlington

Celebrant Pamela Hardman

Preacher Pamela Hardman

4.00pm Footie and Faith

The CoRe Community Hub, Upton Priory

Leaders Andrea Fitton & 360 Sportz

6.00pm Choral Evensong

St Peter's

Officiant Avril Ravenscroft

Preacher Keith Ravenscroft

For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away.

Matthew 25: 14-15

Sunday 26 November

Sunday next before Advent

Stir-up-Sunday

Ephesians 1: 15-end

Matthew 25: 31-end

8.30am Holy Communion

Norman Chapel

Celebrant Michelle Goodrich

Preacher Michelle Goodrich

9.45am Youth Sunday

St Peter's

Officiant Andrea Fitton

Preacher Andrea Fitton

St Peter's, the CORE & St John's

10.00am Holy Communion

Church of the Resurrection

Celebrant Avril Ravenscroft
Preacher Avril Ravenscroft

11.00am Classic Communion

St Peter's

Celebrant Patrick Angier
Preacher Patrick Angier

11.00am Morning Prayer

St John's, Adlington

Officiant Margaret Tate
Preacher Margaret Tate

4.00pm Glitter and God

The CoRe Community Hub, Upton Priory

Leader Andrea Fitton

6.00pm Choral Communion

St Peter's

Celebrant Michelle Goodrich
Preacher Michelle Goodrich

9.45am Contemporary Communion

St Peter's

Celebrant Patrick Angier
Preacher Patrick Angier

10.00am Holy Communion

Church of the Resurrection

Officiant Michelle Goodrich
Preacher Michelle Goodrich

11.00am Matins

Norman Chapel

Officiant Avril Ravenscroft
Preacher Avril Ravenscroft

11.00am Christingle

St John's, Adlington

Officiant Margaret Tate
Preacher Margaret Tate

4.00pm Christingle

St Peter's

Officiant Michelle Goodrich
Preacher Michelle Goodrich

6.00pm Advent Carols

St Peter's

Officiant Avril Ravenscroft
Preacher Avril Ravenscroft

...for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me. Matthew 25: 35-36

Sunday 3 December

1st Sunday of Advent

1 Corinthians 1: 3-9

Mark 13: 24-end

8.30am Holy Communion

Norman Chapel

Celebrant Patrick Angier
Preacher Patrick Angier

Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake. Mark 13: 35-37

St Peter's, the CORE & St John's

Midweek worship

Monday

9.00am Morning Prayer
St Peter's Rooms

Tuesday

9.00am Morning Prayer
St Peter's Rooms

Wednesday

9.15am Morning Prayer
Church of the Resurrection
10.15am Holy Communion
Norman Chapel

Thursday

9.00am Morning Prayer
St Peter's Rooms

Friday

9.00am Morning Prayer
St Peter's Rooms

Saturday

9.00am Morning Prayer
5.00pm Evening Prayer
St Peter's Rooms

Methodist Church

Sunday 5 November

10.30am Rev H Byrne (HC)
6.45pm Own arrangements

Sunday 12 November

10.30am Dr R Bolton
6.45pm Mrs P Ward

Sunday 19 November

10.30am Mrs D Chesterman
6.45pm Rev H Byrne (HC)

Sunday 26 November

10.30am Own arrangements
6.45pm Mr S Oliver

Sunday 3 December

10.30am TBC
6.45pm TBC



What's on

“Flog it!” at Christmas with the Friends

**FRIDAY 8 DECEMBER: 11.30AM –
2.00PM**

St Peter's Rooms

The Friends of St Peter's are organising an event on Friday 8 December at which Adam Partridge of “Flog it!” (the well-known Macclesfield antiques auctioneer and TV personality) will be entertaining and educating us all with stories about antiques and their valuation and sale.

If you are interested in a free valuation for an object or how antiques are valued please come to the Friends “Flog it” lunch party on 8 December at the St Peter's Rooms.

The event price including a sandwich lunch is £15.00* (proceeds to the Friends.)

11.30am Items for valuation will be labelled from that time onwards

12.00noon Lecture by Adam Partridge

1.00pm Lunch and Valuations

2.00pm Close

*Admission is only by tickets sold in advance. Tickets will be available from 15 November by telephone (01625 829833) or email (friends@stpetersprestbury.org.uk).

Reservation in advance **at a special price of £10.00** is available for members of the Friends.

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER

The Macclesfield Drum Corps will lead the Parade from Shirley's Drive to the Church, followed by the Royal British Legion, all the Prestbury uniformed organisations and supporters. Medals will be worn.

The Parade assembles at 10.15am in Shirley's Drive to lead off at 10.30am to the Church. Each year we welcome all marchers who do not necessarily belong to the British Legion but who support its aims. If they wish to wear a relative's medals, they do so on the right shoulder.

There is a similar Parade after the Service of Remembrance from the Church to Springfields Car Park.

CHESHIRE VILLAGES GREAT WAR SOCIETY EXHIBITION

**SATURDAY 11 NOVEMBER: 10.00AM
– 5.00PM**

Prestbury Primary School, Bollin Grove

Arrangements for marking 11 o'clock: As the exhibition is taking place in Prestbury Primary School the ceremony at 11.00am, normally held outside the West Porch War Memorial, will take place inside the School instead. NB Admission to this exhibition is free.

HOUSE GROUPS



Legh Road:
7.30pm
Tuesdays 14
and 28
November

Thorne Close: 4.00pm Tuesdays 14
and 28 November

Northmead: 1.30pm Fridays 10 and
24 October

AFTERNOON TEA MONDAY 20 NOVEMBER: 2.30PM – 4.30PM

St Peter's Rooms



Prestbury Flowers will demonstrate Christmas arrangements. A chance to see experts in action as well as to meet others, chat, take part in the raffle, and enjoy tea and cake. Everyone welcome. The next Tea will be on 18 December.

MOTHERS' UNION MONDAY 13 NOVEMBER: 2.00PM – 4.00PM

St Peter's Rooms



St Peter's Archivist Mike Akerman brings 'Tales from the Archives'. New members are always welcome to this thriving group. Refreshments are provided.

PRESTBURY CHORAL SOCIETY CONCERT

SATURDAY 11 NOVEMBER: 7.30PM
St Peter's Church

Prestbury Choral Society presents "A Shropshire Lad", a new work by our very talented accompanist and Assistant Musical Director, James Pelham; "Silent Noon", quintessential Vaughan Williams and one of the best known and most often performed of his songs; and "Calme des Nuits" by Saint-Saens, a demanding piece for choirs but, performed with precision, delivers beauty and perfection. Faure's Requiem needs no introduction. The concert will include two English piano pieces played by James Pelham, while Andrew Mercer will play two French organ works.

Tickets are £10.00 (concessions £9.00) and are available on the door or via our website www.prestburychoral.uk or phone 584337.

COFFEE MORNING SATURDAY 25 NOVEMBER: 10.00AM–12.00NOON

The Village Hall

Prestbury Methodist Church will host their monthly coffee morning on Saturday 25 November. There will be all the usual stalls: greetings cards, raffle, bric-a-brac, home-made cakes, books etc.



CARE FOR THOSE WITH MEMORY LOSS AT P&J SOCIAL
ALTERNATE WEDNESDAYS: 2.00PM – 4.00PM

St Peter's Rooms

This social group for those with a diagnosis of memory loss and their partner or carer has a few vacancies. A chance for carers to have a quiet cup of tea and chat with others in the same situation, whilst their loved ones are cared for and entertained. Everyone leaves with smiles on their faces! If you would like to know more ring Anne on 07999 862 035.

FLOWER ROTA

- 5 Nov: Judy Biggin
- 12 Nov: Remembrance
- 19 Nov: Wedding
- 26 Nov: Karen Vipond
- 3 Dec: Weddings



PRAM SERVICE
THURSDAYS: 10.15AM

A perfect introduction to worship for babies and pre-school children, and a way for mums to get to know each other. We meet in church at 10.15am twice a month (term time only) for songs, a story, a prayer – and coffee and biscuits in St Peter's Rooms afterwards. Talk to Bev for more information or call the Parish Office on 827625.



NIGHT SHELTER VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR WINTER HOPE ASSISTANCE IN MACCLESFIELD (WHAM)



The Macclesfield Night Shelter is now in its third year and last year, during the weekends from 16 December 2016 to 20 March 2017, 21 different male guests were given at least one night's shelter with 104 nights' accommodation provided in total.

Volunteers from over 15 churches have helped staff the Shelter which rotates between eight different church buildings located in central Macclesfield. There have also been volunteers from individuals without known church connections.

This winter WHAM intends to operate the Night Shelter on weekends from 15 December 2017 to 19 March 2018.

The coordinator of the WHAM project, Deborah, is glad to hear from anyone who is interested in volunteering. Her contact details are as follows:

maccnightshester@gmail.com
telephone 07874 852762. A 2½ hour training session for all new volunteers is compulsory.

FURNITURE RECYCLING BY CHESHIRE STREETWISE

Based at Gilchrest Avenue on the Weston Estate, Cheshire Streetwise, managed by members of Elim Christian Life Church, recycles quality furniture and household items, To arrange free collections please call 07469 176811.

SCIENCE AND CHRISTIANITY – MEN’S BREAKFAST

SATURDAY 18 NOVEMBER:

8.30AM – 10.00AM

St Peter’s Rooms



Richard Curry is a regular worshipper here and a physicist leading research at the Photon Science Institute at the University of Manchester. He will discuss his experience that being both a practising scientist and a Christian need not be mutually exclusive. Opportunities for questions and breakfast! The cost is £7.00 and any profit will be given to a charity nominated by Richard. To ensure quantities of food please sign up at the back of Church – or email Bill wahumphreys@btinternet.com

ROCK DISTRIBUTORS

We are always grateful for additional help with the distribution of our church parish magazine “The Rock” which is published 3 times a year. An average round is 25 magazines and should take no more than 20 minutes. If you can help please contact the parish office (827625) or David Bithell (829175). Thank you.

ADVENT REFLECTIONS

TUESDAYS 28 NOVEMBER – 19

DECEMBER 10.00AM – 12NOON

St Peter’s Rooms

As we prepare for the gift of Jesus – God with us – this Christmas we’re joining with the Methodists for four weeks of reflection, time to focus on the blessing of what lies ahead. Everyone is warmly welcome.

RECYCLE USED STAMPS AND INK-JET CARTRIDGES

Don’t forget we are still collecting used stamps and ink-jet cartridges. Look out for the collection boxes in church or you can bring them into the Parish Office (open mornings only).

Please note we cannot recycle Epson, Kodak or any non-original brand cartridges.



Our cover picture...

...shows an intrepid abseiler conquering the dizzying heights of the wall on the Church’s last weekend away. This November around 80 of us will be heading for Whitemoor lakes where there’ll be an exciting set of challenges for the young and some quieter pleasures for those not anxious to test their gymnastic abilities... Including a guided walk at the nearby National Memorial Arboretum as well as a campfire and fireworks, puzzles and quizzes, entertainment and crafts, and lots of opportunity simply to chill and enjoy each other’s company. Look out for pictures in next year’s Rock!