

VACANCY: The PCC wishes to appoint a temporary Church and Hall Cleaner (maternity cover). The post is for 6 hours/week at £8.75 ph. For details please speak to Jacqui Wilson.

CONFIRMATION: Sarah Pearce will be confirmed by the Bishop in Portsmouth Cathedral on Saturday at 6.00pm. All welcome.

LENT COURSE: This year's Lent Course will be 'Essential Jesus', focusing on how the Old Testament looks forward to Jesus. There will be daily readings, weekly meetings and sermons. Books of the daily readings will be available at the reduced cost of £3. Large print also available. Please sign up at the back of church.

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Mission of the Month: The Leprosy Mission



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N.B. Please remember to take this Pew Sheet away with you



Christ Church

For Christ. For you.

Welcome to our services today.

Prayer Ministry is available during & after The 10.30 Service
Please join us for refreshments after The 10.30 Service

Sunday 21st January 2018 – Epiphany 3

- 0800 The 8.00 Service (Holy Communion 2)
- 1030 The 10.30 Service (Holy Communion) (including Lighthouse's Godly Play for children under 12)
- 1800 The 6.00 Service

This Week's Activities

- Wednesday 0900 Morning Prayer
- 1930 Homegroup (Dave Fowler / Pauline Letters)
- Thursday 1000 The Thursday Service (Holy Communion)
- Friday 1230 Neighbourhood Lunch (in Church Hall)
- Saturday 0900 Church Cleaning
- 0900 Who Let the Dads Out? (in Church Hall)
- 1100 Wedding: Victoria Poulton & Andrew Porter
- 1800 Confirmation of Sarah Pearce (Portsmouth Cathedral)

Sunday 28th January 2018 – Epiphany 4

- 0800 The 8.00 Service (Holy Communion 1)
- 1030 The 10.30 Service (Family Service)

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

COLLECT

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

FIRST READING: Revelation 19:6-10

⁶ Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting: "Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. ⁷ Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. ⁸ Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear." (Fine linen stands for the righteous acts of God's holy people.) ⁹ Then the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!" And he added, "These are the true words of God." ¹⁰ At this I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "Don't do that! I am a fellow servant with you and with your brothers and sisters who hold to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For it is the Spirit of prophecy who bears testimony to Jesus."

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

SECOND READING: John 2:1-11

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you O Lord

¹ On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ² and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine." ⁴ "Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim. ⁸ Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet." They did so, ⁹ and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside ¹⁰ and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now." ¹¹ What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ