



THE UNITED PARISH

Christ Church & St John's

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Sunday 23rd September 2018

Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity

A Church Community That Goes Deeper In Gods Word

Psalm 1 & Hebrews 5:11-6:3

Revd Jonny Campbell-Smyth

10.00am Morning Prayer in **Christ Church**

11.30am Morning Prayer in **St John's**

Sunday 30th September 2018

Eighteenth Sunday After Trinity

A Church Community That Cares for Others

Deuteronomy 15:7-14 & Luke 13:10-17

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10.00am Morning Prayer in **Christ Church**

11.30am Holy Communion in **St John's**

Please pray for:-

- Members of our Church Family awaiting operations, test results or treatments.
- Anne Magee at home awaiting dialysis
- Catherine Sheldon in cancer unit Belfast City Hospital.
- May Hayes recovering in Whiteabbey Hospital
- David Livingston recovering in Clonmore House, Rathcoole.
- The Heaney Family, Adrienne Heaney at home dealing with serious illness.
- Cornett family, member of the family awaiting surgery.
- Deaconess Michelle Purdy (Ballyclare Presbyterian) receiving treatment for cancer.
- Give thanks to God for the birth of a new son Logan to Rory & Claire Henderson.
- The position for the new associate role is being advertised this week. Please pray for all involved in the selection process and for the right applicant to apply.

MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP— Starts back this **Thursday (27th) at 11.00am in St John's**—please join us for refreshments, fellowship and chat.

HARVEST DATES

Friday 12th October Harvest Supper in Christ Church

Guest Preacher Revd Colin McConaghie

Sunday 14th October Harvest Sunday in both Christ Church (10.00am) & St John's (11.30am)

Monday 15th October Distribution of Harvest, meeting at Christ Church 10.00am.

Volunteers needed to decorate both Churches, Friday 12th in Christ Church & Friday/Saturday in St John's.



CRISIS PRAYER LINE

Praying God's peace and healing for people facing challenging circumstances can bring much comfort. Therefore we are setting up a

Crisis Prayer Line.

All requests for prayer should either be texted or phoned to Alison on 07519 805789. These prayer requests will be passed on to a dedicated prayer team who will commit to praying for the next week. Should you wish further updates for prayer, please phone or text again.

******Don't forget to collect a prayer card in Church to keep in purse or wallet******



THANK YOU– We had a great afternoon yesterday at the MacMillan Coffee Afternoon. Many thanks to everyone who donated great eats & treats and to those who gave up free time to help raise funds for this very worthwhile charity.



Please look out for the extra “goodie bags” at the back of Church-all donations go towards the work of the charity.

Phone line into the office is out of order– please use mobile to get in touch with Revd Jonny .

MOTHERS UNION

Mothers' Union will be recommencing on 24th Sept when Noreen Reid will be giving us an inspiring Esther Experience. The meeting will be as usual in Ballynure Hall. We would also welcome any new members to our branch so why don't you come and enjoy our fellowship. We would love to see you there.

Advance notice for our October meeting, we are paying a visit to the War Years Remembered exhibition in Ballyclare. There will be charge of £8 for this meeting. I will give you more details at our next meeting.

Hilary [93340080](tel:93340080)

MID WEEK COMMUNION & BIBLE STUDY IN ST JOHN'S

What do you do on a Wednesday morning?

New season has started. Join us for Bible Study at 11.00am, Holy Communion at 12.00 noon followed by tea, coffee and a chat. Don't feel any pressure to come to both– do whatever suits you. During the month of September Revd Jonny will be teaching on the Holy Spirit– a fascinating discussion topic.

SMALL GROUPS

It's business as usual for our Small Groups. Leaflets at the back of both Churches...this morning in Church a signup sheet is circulating for the current groups, please consider signing up for one before or after the Morning Service.****

[A new group has just been added in the Ballyclare area, meeting fortnightly for parents with children still at school. Contact Revd Jonny for more details.](#)

PARISH PRAYER TIME– Same time, same place. Please join us for a time of prayer at Leigh & Clive Henderson's in Ballyeaston, Thursday's 7.30pm.

HOSPITALITY IN ST JOHN'S– We are planning to get this going again asap. At the minute we have a few volunteers but need a few more, **before we can start.** We would like some folk to help on a Sunday morning serving refreshments from 10.45am at the back of Church/ Entrance Porch. This is an ideal way for fellowship, sharing and welcoming people into our Church family. If you are interested in helping please contact Revd Jonny or David asap.

BLYTHSWOOD-Shoe box appeal for 2018 is about to launch. Leaflets will be at the back of both Churches very soon, Alwyn & Tricia Tweed are coordinating this years collection.

RAISING FAITH– helping our children find a faith that lasts. So how do we sow seeds of faith that help them grow up loving God?

Great event being run by Katharine Hill (UK Director of Care for the Family & Andy Frost (Director of Share Jesus International)

Thursday 15th November, 7.30pm

Glenmachan Church of God, Belfast

We have a supply of tickets in the Church Office, please contact Revd Jonny or David (Tickets £5)

Release International Co-Ordinator-After many years of involvement Jill Crothers has decided to step down from her role. We would like to thank Jill for her ministry, we now need a new coordinator for the parish, please contact Revd Jonny if you are interested.

CHRIST CHURCH HALL

Still a work in progress-usable with care.
Please contact Peter Watson for more details.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP– VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

Years 8 to 12– What else would you do on a Sunday night??
7.00pm to 8.30pm in St John's Church Hall.

Leaflets at back of Church. **More volunteers needed** for more info contact Brandy on 07950 846621.