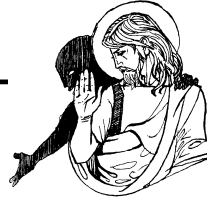




Christ Church
 Little Drayton
 A Traditional Church
 A Welcoming Church
 A Caring Church



Sunday 26th February The First Sunday of Lent

MESSAGE FROM THE FOODBANK:

**IF YOU ARE ABLE TO DONATE, WE NEED THE FOLLOWING
 IN ORDER OF URGENCY PLEASE...**

- SPONGE PUDDINGS/ SLAB CAKE**
- BISCUITS**
- TINS/ SACHETS OF VEGETARIAN MEALS**
- TOILET ROLLS**
- CARTONS OF LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE**
- SIZE 6 NAPPIES AND PULL-UPS**
- JAM, UHT MILK**



We would like to extend a warm welcome to Revd. Ian McFarlane who will be leading the service today

Monthly Bible verse:

Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. (1 John 4: 11)



Prayer for the week:

Almighty God,
 whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,
 and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:
 give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;
 and, as you know our weakness,
 so may we know your power to save;
 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.

Readings:

- A reading from the Book of Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
- A reading from the Letter to the Romans 5:12-19
- A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 4:1-11



Hymns:

- 691 Thy kingdom come O God**
- 590 Seek ye first the kingdom of God**
- 156 Faithful shepherd feed me**
- 153 Eternal Father strong to save**



Readings to use in the first week of March:

Day	Date	Reading	Psalm
Sunday	26	Luke 18:9-14	119.1-16
Monday	27	John 5:1-18	11
Tuesday	28	John 5:19-29	44
Wednesday	01	John 5:30-end	6
Thursday	02	John 6:1-15	42
Friday	03	John 6:16-27	22
Saturday	04	John 6:27-40	63
Sunday	05	Matthew 8:1-13	74

We are looking for one more person to go on the rota as sidesperson. If you would like to volunteer, please let Rev. Jane know. Thank you.

Little Footprints Support Group is held on the first Tuesday of every month 7:30—8:30 pm for parents who have experienced still-birth, neonatal death or death in infancy, recently or in the past. It is run by bereaved parents in collaboration with the Methodist Church at The Zone, Linden Way, Market Drayton, TF9 1QT. Come for tea and a chat. Free admission.

Tea / coffee rotas for February: 26th February: Ann and Lil. **If you would like to go on the tea / coffee rota, or to help out at baptisms, please let Emma know. Thank you.**
The March rotas are at the back of church for those without email.

Please welcome **Arthur Forrest** as a newly baptised Christian

Please pray for the people of our parish: **Andrew Bailey, Pat Bullen, Jodie, Gracie, Robert and Family, Bill Hughes, Judy Treadgold, Grace Roberts, Ann, Ray, Will and Pat James, Margy Taylor, Wyn, Tony, John, Nadine Gawleta, Jill Jones, Freda Millington, Eric, Rose, Jane, Diane, Charlotte, Heather Winstone**

Please pray for members of our church family: **Heather Winstone, Dennis Wright, Jacqui Wright, Margaret Allen**

Please pray for the life of our church: **GSS, the choir, children's work, our Lent course**

Would you like a call from the Pastoral Team? If so, please contact Margaret or Emma in the first instance.

Would you like to be a volunteer for Mencap helping out at the weekly social club for those with a learning disability aged 18+? If you are interested, please contact Sheila Lomas (01630 654389) or Chris Flegg (07508 552 730). Meetings are Saturdays 2—4 pm.



The piano previously used by the music teachers at MENCAP is now free to a good home. If you are interested, please contact either Sheila Lomas or Chris Flegg (numbers above).

The latest list of youth prayer requests is at the back of church. The next youth prayer meeting is on Friday 10th March 9 am to 10 am at the Festival Drayton Centre. Hannah's report on her first term as Youth Mission Enabler is at the back of church

Our Three Parishes news sheet, covering services and events in Little Drayton, Norton-in-Hales and Woore, is at the back of church

All table top space has been allocated for the fundraising event on 1st April at the Beacon Centre, but we do need offers of help in all sorts of ways - volunteering on the day, coming along to support. Let us know if you can help, and please keep a look out for reminders of the date. Margaret (07947 332627)

UPCOMING SERVICES and EVENTS:

Sunday 26th February 09:45 am: Parish Eucharist
2:00 pm: Baptism



Tuesday 28th February 10:00 am: Holy Communion (said Eucharist)



Wednesday 1st March 10.30 am: there will be a weekly course in church running throughout Lent.



Sunday 5th March 09:45 am: Parish Eucharist
6:30 pm: Evening prayer



Tuesday 7th March 10:00 am: Holy Communion (said Eucharist)



Wednesday 8th March 10:30 am: Lent course



Sunday 12th March 09:45 am: Parish Eucharist
2:00 pm: Baptism



Tuesday 14th March 10:00 am: Holy Communion (said Eucharist)



Wednesday 15th March 10:30 am: Lent course



Sunday 19th March 09:45 am: All-Age service
6:30 pm: Healing service



Monday 20th March 1:30 pm: the Film Club will be showing 'Dad's Army'. Free entry, coffee, cake and raffle.



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