



Christ  
Church  
Orpington

## Family News 17th July 2021

**Have you realised yet how wonderful it is to be part of a House Group?**

**Featuring the  
Felstead Road Group this week**

**2nd and 4th Wed mornings, leader Sue Hook**

To give you a flavour of what we do, we start with coffee or tea and biscuits courtesy of Jan, while we chat and catch up with what's going on.

Then Bible Study; a recent topic was Women of the Old and New Testaments. It is interesting sometimes to hear a passage expressed differently in another version of the Bible, and it is important to hear what others think, as that helps us see things from a different point of view, and we can learn from others. We try to relate what we learn to our own lives.

We finish with Prayer.

We enjoy a summer meal together in the Bo Peep Restaurant, and occasional coffees in the church cafe.

Here's what the Housegroup means to our members:

"House-group for me is friendship, prayer support and discovering what our handbook, the Bible, says about the situations we are likely to encounter in our everyday lives, and how to cope with them."

"The Church is a family where we can grow, learn and feel supported whatever is going on in our lives.

The House group is a smaller family unit where the same things happen but it's sometimes easier to raise things or ask questions in a smaller group."

"As one of the newest members, and whilst I haven't been able to attend as many of the bible studies as I'd have liked, I have found the group to be very welcoming and caring. It's also been great to be able to pray for each other on a more personal level as part of a housegroup."

"I find it a comfort- if in a larger group of church members- to be able to hunt around for some one from 'my' house group to help ground me in the middle of a crowd.

Also, in studies, it's very helpful to draw on the knowledge of others.

Thank you all in my group for your prayers, help and support."

"Housegroup; a place for learning, free from judgement, and discussion about aspects of life from a biblical perspective. And fun."

"Belonging: You get to church, a crowded room, no-one to speak with, who do you go to? One of your House Group, the first port of call, because it's your comfortable small family unit to get started.

Banter: You can joke with your House Group friends because you get to know them well, and can enjoy and get away with humour.

Bible: sermons and talks can be good, but you've no time to stop, think and assess. The slower pace of House Groups means you can ask questions, say something maybe controversial, but it helps you to get to grips with this greatest Book."

And finally:

"The house group has some "oldies" and some "not so oldies" The more able members have been able to help others in practical ways as a labour of love in the Lord."

**Request** for items for

**Beside the Sea Holiday Club**

**We need to borrow....**

- Blue & Yellow sheets/blankets
- Buckets and spades
- Beach ball/inflatable
- Stripey deck chairs
- Beach umbrella
- Fishing rod
- Fishing net large

We will need them brought to church for Sunday 25th July

Please let Jo know if you can help, we will label and return all items.

Many thanks

## Sunday Services

**All 10.30am services will be both in church and online (if we have the Tech Team to provide this)**

**Sunday 18th July** 10.30am Morning Worship

**Wednesday 21st July**

**Café Mosaic**, open 9.15am to 2pm

**This is the last café before shutting down for the summer break**

**reopens Wednesday 8th September**

**Sunday 25th July** 9.00am Holy Communion  
10.30am Morning Worship

**Sunday 1st August** 10.30am Holy Communion

**Followed by CHURCH BBQ**

**Sunday 8th August** 10.30am Morning Worship  
Featuring YWAM'S Jim & Katie Whitear

**Sunday 15th August** 10.30am Morning Worship  
Featuring The Bible Society, with Kristin Stevenson

**Sunday 22nd August** 10.30am Morning Worship  
Featuring Christians Against Poverty, with Martin Pointing

**Sunday 29th August** 10.30am Morning Worship  
Watch this space!

**Sunday 5th September** 10.30am **Invitation Sunday**

### **What is Invitation Sunday?**

**Sunday 5th September** is "Invitation Sunday", and is one day when we join together as a church to each invite someone, who doesn't yet know Christ, to come to church with us.

As people who know Jesus we hold the key to life, and life in all its fullness. And we would like to take the opportunity to share this with someone who doesn't even yet know they need a key. We will have a gentle, friendly service that will be accessible to everyone, and follow it with love and cakes.

So please be thinking and praying about who you can invite, and then be praying for the Lord to touch their hearts and provide the opportunity for you to ask them.

2 Timothy 1 v 7-8a *"For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline. So never be ashamed to tell others about our Lord...."*

Please book for the 10.30am services via the email link Anna will send by return, or by phoning the church office on 01689 871601. If you are unable to book, please just come anyway – unless we get a sudden influx, we will fit you in.

There is no need to book for the 9.00am services.

For online services through the Christ Church Orpington website: [www.ccorpington.org](http://www.ccorpington.org)

Or on Facebook (you don't need to have a Facebook account) <https://www.facebook.com/ccorpington/live>



### **Zoom Virtual Coffee after the morning service from 11.45am**

You are invited to join **Heather Kroiter** for virtual coffee, after the morning service on Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85756895981?pwd=-bGRCeGdpYnFKR0tCclAyQW43Z3NnZz09>

Meeting ID: 857 5689 5981

Passcode: ujaR1Q

Coffee Photo by Lisa Fotios on Pexels

**Community Club** plan to resume lunches only on **Tuesday 3rd August**, 12.30 for a 12.45 lunch. Please could you let one of the team know in advance if you would like to attend so that we know how many to cater for.

Numbers needed by **25th July**. New members always welcome. Menu will be announced on Sunday 1st August as usual.

### **Open Kitchen**

Our foodbank sessions will continue over the summer, but some of our team will be taking well earned breaks. I want to pay tribute to all those on the team, many of whom have been volunteering for over a year now. If you'd like to do a one-off donation pickup, session or farm food delivery, please let me know. Also, if you have any spare used carrier bags, please do pass those on to me. Many thanks, Liesel

[liesel@ccorpington.org](mailto:liesel@ccorpington.org)

01689 871601

## Extra hands-on deck (literally)

Yes, I am talking about the mixing deck at Christ Church



Photo by [Samuel Spagl](#) on [Unsplash](#)

During lockdown, one of the many areas that needs a big shout out is the tech support at Christ Church. There has been a **very** small team holding everything together to ensure that most of us still participate in church services from the comfort of our homes. This small team has worked week in week out and in most cases also during the week to ensure that services are streamed and everything goes smoothly. In addition, they have provided live support every Sunday for those who attend in person.

They need a much-needed break. And moving forward the team need to expand to share the load. **We really do need extra hands-on deck.** So, if you are wondering about areas that you may help out with, why not try the tech team. You don't need any special skills. Just a willingness to serve. You will be trained and there will be support all the way. You won't be left on your own.

**You can agree to as much or as little time as you want.**

For the youth, this is a good skill to put on your CV and also great for D of E!!!

If you are interested, or want to find out more. Sent an email to the church office

**ccorpington@talktalk.net** and we will fill you in. Thanks for reading, hope you can join the team.

## BACK TO CHURCH BBQ Sunday 1st August



Straight after the morning service (12pm)

Suggested donation per person: £3  
per family: £10

If you can let us know by **Sunday 25th July** by contacting the church office on either 01689 871601 or [ccorpington@talktalk.net](mailto:ccorpington@talktalk.net) that would be very helpful for us.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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"If you would like to give to Christ's work here at Christ Church, the best way to give is via our bank account, Sort code 40 52 40, and account number 00095465, or by sending a cheque payable to Christ Church Orpington PCC to 165 Charterhouse Road, Orpington, BR6 9EP. Thank you so much for your wonderful generosity."

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### Items and Notices for next issue of Family News

Email Vernon: [vandjmapp@gmail.com](mailto:vandjmapp@gmail.com)

**by 12noon Saturday 24th July 2021**

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## Sarah Beston Reflections

Sarah went to Crofton Junior, Newstead Woods, then Oxford and taught Geography at St Olaves. There are lovely tributes from her pupils who said she was the best teacher. She encouraged friends to come to church. Sarah led Guides and also did a counselling course which was something she was very good at, as well as her musical ability with saxophone and clarinet.

In 2012 she was wanting to get more involved with helping at church. In Jan 2013 she was pleased to be asked by Jay to help with families for christening. She went to tea and toys and helped with the creche and registration. She did Word Alive - the Daily message on the computer.

On October 7th 2012 Sarah was challenged by Martin preaching on James 3 v 11 - *You reflect who you keep company with and when we spend time with God we will reflect Him*. This encouraged Sarah to want to start a bible study group at St Olaves.

Sarah was very special and she and Nick have been amazing with all they've been through and a real inspiration to many.

Ruth Pallister

Sarah Beston. Such a lovely, clever, musical, happy, kind, thoughtful wife, Mum, daughter, teacher and friend.

Sarah was always up for a giggle and had such a beautiful and radiant smile. She had a huge amount of friends and to-date there are over 450 messages on Facebook - all amazing tributes to this wonderful lady.

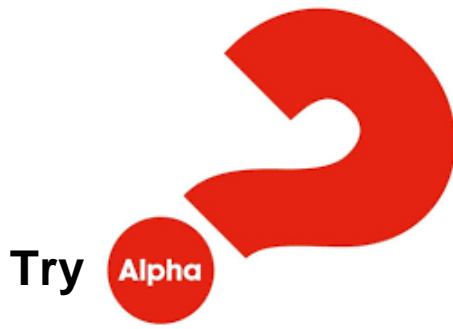
Memories of our hospital trips to London on the train will always be special - precious time together. Our chats and meetings arranging Downe Village May Queen events, our brunches and more latterly our zoom calls, will forever remain fond memories. The Christmas decoration she bought me of a London Taxi on which is a little red love heart is currently hanging in my kitchen and will always be a treasured keepsake.

Sarah was such a special person, loved by so many. She showed amazing courage and determination throughout her illness - she was inspirational in her fight and will be greatly missed.

We are heartbroken that she is no longer with us, but we know she is in a better place - free from pain and with her Lord. God Bless you dear friend.

Ali Sleath

# Starts September 30th



If you are wanting to explore faith, then the Alpha course is an excellent way to start. Over 24 million people have already tried it.

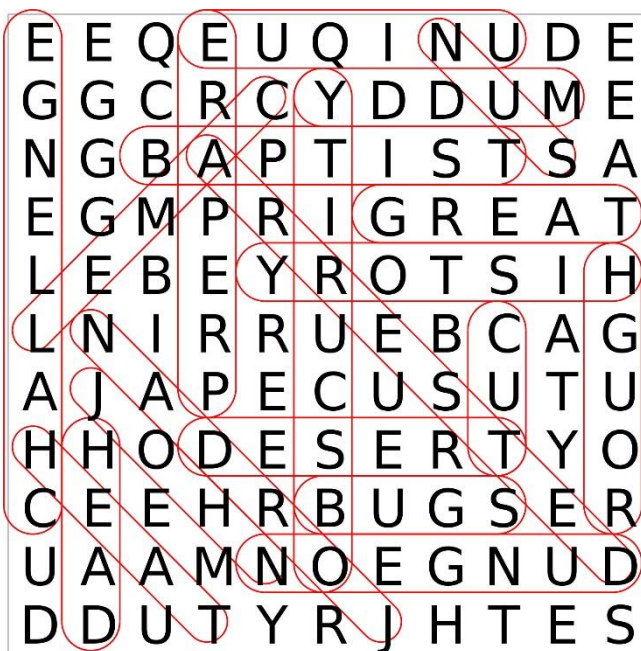
At Christ Church the Alpha course involves food (an evening meal), a short video clip and an opportunity to express your views and listen to what others have to say in a relaxed environment. It could be one of the best autumn resolutions you make, to go on an Alpha course.

There will be an initial taster session 30th September.

To find out more, please contact:

[Alpha@ccorpington.org](mailto:Alpha@ccorpington.org) or  
call the church office (01689) 871601

Solution to last week's **Word Search**



## Job: Foodbank Volunteer Coordinator & Comms

**Description** Hours 25hrs per week  
Salary £14,885  
Applications closing date **30th July 2021**

### 1. Recruiting, developing and deploying capable and committed volunteers:

- Be responsible for recruiting new regular volunteers through the Assemble programme.
- Liaising with ad hoc volunteers throughout the year.
- Liaising with centre managers to ensure they have sufficient volunteers for all sessions.
- Providing initial and ongoing training for all volunteers
- Keeping volunteers and Assemble document hub up to date with policies.
- Work alongside Project Manager and centre managers to ensure volunteers are fully supported.
- To recruit volunteers to ensure a diverse volunteer base that represents the cultural and social economic nature of area.

### 2. Promotion of Bromley Borough Foodbank via social media, website & regular newsletters:

- To maintain all aspects of our online presence including Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, and keeping Bromley Foodbank website up to date
- Writing regular newsletters to all our supporters using Assemble and Mailchimp.
- Keeping abreast of and being aware of other relevant social media content
  - Volunteer recruitment
  - Volunteer rotas are appropriately recorded onto the Assemble programme.
  - Using our social media & Website platforms
  - Provide Newsletters
  - Be first point of call for volunteers, answer emails & phone when required.
  - Manage corporate volunteer teams along with Project Manager & Warehouse Manager
  - Attend regular team meetings.
  - Providing volunteer experience feedback opportunities using Peakon
  - Managing queries and complaints

### Wider organisational responsibilities

- Attend foodbank team meetings as and when required, including meetings where there may be a time of prayer and reflection.
- Read the core policies and adhere to all policies and procedures.
- Carry out other duties as agreed by your line manager or the Project Manager.
- Undertake responsibilities associated with being a member of the Bromley Borough Foodbank team
- Perform all the duties required by the post in line with Bromley Borough Foodbank's ethos and values, its commitment to a policy of equal opportunity and its aim of serving the community in a caring and practical manner.
- In agreement with your line manager, pursue a personal programme of learning and development to enhance your skills and performance.

### Person Specification

- Agree with and support the Christian values and Ethos of Bromley Borough Foodbank, and Trussell Trust\*

\*It is a Genuine Occupational Requirement that the post holder is a Christian.

How to apply

Please send C.V. and covering letter to Amanda Stone at  
[pm@bromleyborough.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:pm@bromleyborough.foodbank.org.uk)



### **After service refreshments**

Please contact Anna Carey on  
[ccorpington@talktalk.net](mailto:ccorpington@talktalk.net)  
or 01689 871601

### **Mosaic Café**

Please contact Anna Carey on  
[ccorpington@talktalk.net](mailto:ccorpington@talktalk.net)  
Or 01689 871601

### **Church Flowers**

Flower assistants  
no experience of flower arranging  
or creative talents needed  
Please contact  
Mel Ketchin 01689 871067  
or Judith Motto 01689 837351

### **Community Club**

drivers to transport folk to/from club  
each Tuesday and someone to work in  
the kitchen alongside Colin and the  
community payback team  
Please contact  
Mel Ketchin 01689 871067

### **Crèche**

on Sunday mornings  
Please contact Jo Cuthbertson on  
[jo@ccorpington.org](mailto:jo@ccorpington.org)

*We have various areas of ministry who are in need of volunteers. If you are able to help out in any way, we would love for you to get involved!*

*Please see list of areas below in need of help. If there is an area you would like to volunteer for, please contact the relevant person using the details noted.*

### **CCO Holiday Club**

volunteers needed  
28th, 29th & 30th July 2021,  
8.30am-12.30pm  
Please contact Jo Cuthbertson on  
[jo@ccorpington.org](mailto:jo@ccorpington.org)

### **Tea and Toys** on Wednesdays

during term time, 1.30pm-3pm  
Please contact Jo Cuthbertson on  
[jo@ccorpington.org](mailto:jo@ccorpington.org)

### **Tech Team**

Sound desk/Audio/Visual –  
training will be provided  
Please contact Mike on  
[mike@zarttell.uk](mailto:mike@zarttell.uk)

### **Youth Ministry**

Please contact Andi Smith on  
[youth@ccorpington.org](mailto:youth@ccorpington.org)

### **Social Functions**

organize or help  
Please contact Anna Carey on  
[ccorpington@talktalk.net](mailto:ccorpington@talktalk.net)  
or 01689 871601

*If there are any other areas of ministry you would be interested in helping out in, please let us know on [ccorpington@talktalk.net](mailto:ccorpington@talktalk.net) or 01689 871601.*

**Thank you!**

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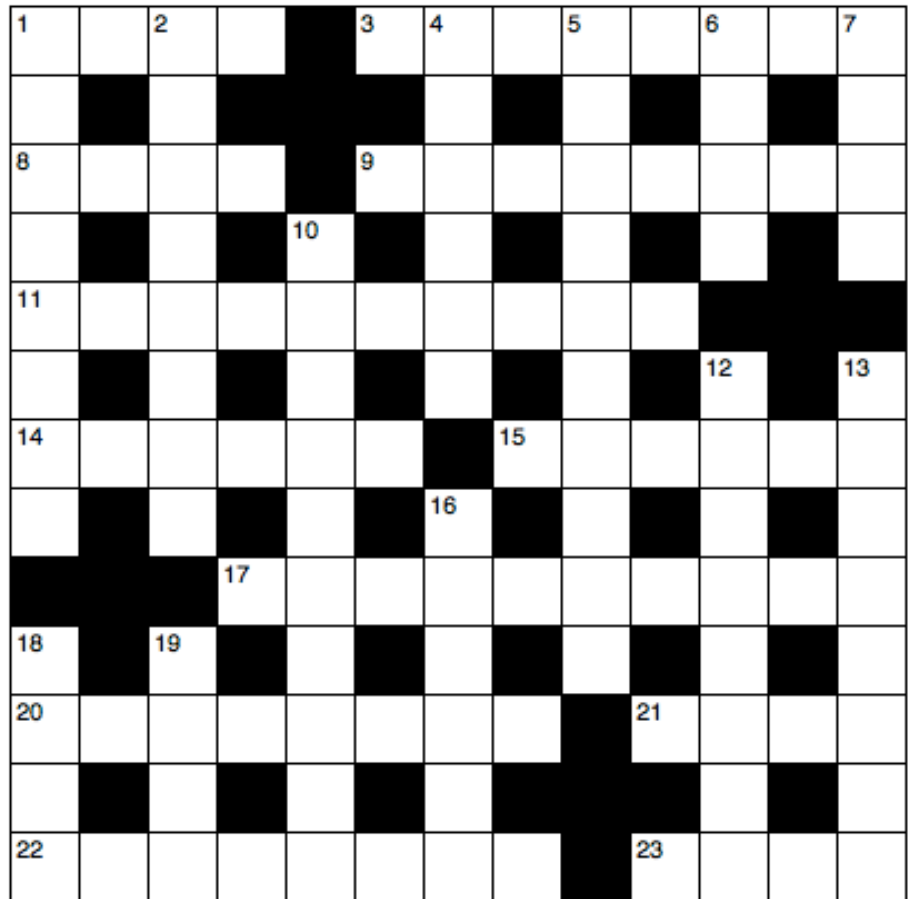
Solution to last week's †Word

## ACROSS

1, Wage. 3, Cleansed. 9, Plateau.  
10, Ready. 11, Did so. 12, Hollow.  
14, Unregenerated. 17, Offers.  
19, Islam. 22, Is not. 23, Overran.  
24, Barracks. 25, Legs.

## DOWN

1, Wiped out. 2, Guard.  
4, Laughing-stock. 5, April. 6, Seaport.  
7, Days. 8, Belong. 13, Oddments.  
15, Refiner. 16, Raided. 18, Extra.  
20, Large. 21, Limb.



## Across

- 1 Proverbs describes her as being 'of noble character' (Proverbs 31:10) (4)
- 3 'Shall we go up again — — against the Benjamites, our brothers?' (Judges 20:23) (2,6)
- 8 A descendant of Shem (Genesis 10:28) (4)
- 9 'Anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my —' (Luke 14:27) (8)
- 11 Resentment (Ephesians 4:31) (10)
- 14 In Cain (anag.)(6)
- 15 'Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to—' (Psalm 139:6) (6)
- 17 Intense (1 Thessalonians 4:5) (10)
- 20 Third Order of the Roman Catholic Church (8)
- 21 'At midnight the cry rang out, "Here's the bridegroom! Come out to — him"' (Matthew 25:6) (4)
- 22 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in —' (2 Corinthians 12:9) (8)
- 23 'As the — pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God' (Psalm 42:1) (4)

## Down

- 1 Nickname of popular First World War chaplain, the Revd G.A. Studdert Kennedy, — Willie (8)
- 2 Occasion of religious joy (Lamentations 2:22) (5,3)
- 4 'We three kings of — are' (6)
- 5 Allegation or charge (Jude 9) (10)
- 6 Kind (1 Chronicles 12:33) (4)
- 7 'Open your — and look at the fields!' (John 4:35) (4)
- 10 Also known as the Feast of Lights (John 10:22) (10)
- 12 Area that saw the healing of two demon - possessed men and a herd of pigs stampeding to their deaths (Matthew 8:28) (8)
- 13 Forebear (James 2:21) (8)
- 16 Name given to the first two books of the Apocrypha (6)
- 18 Esau sold his birthright for this (Genesis 25:34) (4)
- 19 Rear (anag.) (4)