



Christ
Church
Orpington

Family News

4th February 2023

Reflection

A large proportion of the Bible records dreams or the interpretation of dreams. I want to share a couple of my dreams from the last ten days. Do these resonate with you?

In the first dream, I heard 'a new era is here'. A week later, I had another dream about two territories, or two kingdoms. They bordered each other, and I saw them as if I was looking at a map. In the dream, I also heard the word 'Grimaldi'. This name is formed from words meaning 'helmet' and 'bold'. These two territories were the kingdom of darkness and the kingdom of light, existing side by side.

Do you remember the passage in Ephesians 6 about the armour of God? The helmet represents salvation and is a vital piece of armour to protect the head. As Christians, we know we are saved, but putting the helmet on each day protects our minds from the doubts that the enemy can throw at us. How do we put the helmet on? By reminding ourselves of the hope of our salvation and renewing our trust in Jesus our Saviour.

You are all children of the light and children of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness... Since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet.

1 Thessalonians 5:5,8

Then there's the word 'bold'. We can be bold in approaching God's throne in prayer. We can 'fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel'

(Ephesians 6:19).

Two days after the second dream, I received an email entitled: 'Clash of the kingdoms: a new era is here'. This seemed to be confirmation of the message God has for us.

We are in a spiritual battle against the kingdom of darkness. Let's put on our armour, assuring ourselves of our salvation, and be bold in proclaiming the good news to those who haven't yet heard. A new era is here!

Every blessing

Liesel

Sunday 5th February 2023

3rd Sunday before Lent

10.30am Holy Communion

Welcome, Notices

Opening Prayer, Confession

Worship

Who breaks the power (This is amazing grace)
Whom shall I fear (God of angel armies)
Jesus all for Jesus

Bible Reading

1 Corinthians 2, 1-12

Sermon

Intercessions

Peace

Worship

O let the son of God enfold you

Holy Communion

Worship

How deep the Father's love

Final prayer & Blessing

6.30pm Evening Worship - Reflect

REFLECT SERVICES

For such a time as this

Esther

Jan 8
Feb 5, 19
Mar 5, 19
Apr 16, 30
6.30 pm

For online zoom coffee after morning church **today**

(Sunday 5th February 2023)

join **Heather Kroiter** from 11.45am:

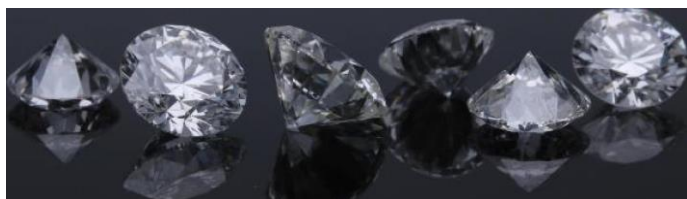


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CCO Women's Ministry



*Our next Women's Ministry event will be on
Saturday 11th February from
6.30pm – 9.30pm in the Christ Church café.*

If you would like to attend, there is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church, or alternatively you can let us know by emailing the church office on ccorpington@talktalk.net, so we can get an idea of numbers for catering.

We'll be ordering pizza and if you like, you can bring a bottle or a dessert to share.

There is a suggested donation of £5, but this is not mandatory, so please do still come along.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Northumbria Daily Prayer

You are invited to come along to Daily Prayer at 9.00-9.20am in the chapel on Mondays and Tuesdays.



There will be readings from Scripture, a short meditative reading, prayer, reflection and silence.

Dates we are meeting in February are:
6th, 13th, 20th and 21st February

Community Club, Tuesday 7th February

There will be a communion service at 11.00am
Tea and Coffee served from 10.30am

Lunch menu

Pea and ham soup
Beef stew and vegetables
Cheesecake
Tea or Coffee.

NB Next week 14th February there is **no** club as its half term.

Warm Space

can anyone please volunteer to help with 'warm space' on a Sunday at Christ Church?

if anyone would like to know more about what is required when helping out, or any other questions, please contact Mandy Callaghan

Café Mosaic – Wednesdays and Fridays

Special this week

Homemade Creamy Chicken and Mushroom Pie with Mashed Potato and Garden Peas

Electoral Roll

- Do you consider yourself to be a member of the congregation of this church?
- Would you like to enter more fully into the life of the church?
- Why not make 2023 the year you put your name on the church Electoral Roll as a commitment?

Application forms can be found at the back of church together with an explanatory leaflet 'Belonging and the Electoral Roll'. Complete the form and return it via a church officer or Roger Wilkinson

Cafe Mosaic

Cafe Mosaic is in need of more volunteers to keep providing a good service to our customers. Can you help between 9.00am–2.30pm on Wednesdays and Fridays during term time.

If you can't do an entire shift an hour or two would be great or even be on a reserve list to cover illness or holidays.

For more information, contact Jeanette on 07445477710, email jeanettexox@hotmail.com

The Data Protection Act 2018 is the UK's implementation of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

Everyone responsible for using personal data has to follow strict rules called 'data protection principles'. They must make sure the information is: used fairly, lawfully and transparently.

Meina is our GDPR representative and if anyone has any queries relating to GDPR to please contact her on: gdpr@ccorpington.org

Children's Minister

Available until 6th February 2023

Key Features

- > £14,625 - £17,925 annually (£23,000 to £28,190 full-time equivalent) subject to demonstrated skills and experience
- > School term time only, plus an annual "Holiday Club" in late July.
- > The number of paid hours is 25 hours per week, all worked in term time and later in July, plus a further 5.6 weeks paid annual leave.
- > A job share possibility is available.
- > Interviews are anticipated to be in late February or early March 2023

Christ Church Orpington is a medium-sized, evangelical church which is looking to appoint an enthusiastic and talented Christian to lead our Children's Ministry.

Do you love growing relationships with children and encouraging them to develop their awareness of God in their lives? When you pray, is God calling you to do so at Christ Church Orpington, either for the full role or even in some part? If so, please read on!

Various Children's Ministry groups for children aged from 0-11 years old meet on Sundays and some other days of the week, such as our Messy Church sessions, which are great fun! A significant part of the role is working with, leading and motivating a fairly large team of adult volunteers. Effective inter-personal skills to work with children and adults alike will be necessary to fulfil this role.

As a church community, we are committed to Children's Ministry, viewing this as vital area of what we do as a church. The Children's Minister will enjoy excellent support not only from the vicar and the church leadership, but from everyone who is part of our church. Training and development in the role will be available. You will not need to be perfect on arrival nor later on!

There will also be scope for developing this role further, as the successful candidate hears guidance from the Lord.

It is a genuine occupational requirement that the person will be a practicing Christian and we are looking for someone who will embrace our Christian ethos and values. This post will require the successful applicant to undergo an enhanced DBS check and to complete the required safeguarding training.

If you are feeling drawn to this post and wish to receive an information pack and an application form, please contact Anna Carey via email at ccorpington@talktalk.net Completed application forms should be back with Anna by tomorrow, **Monday 6th February 2023**.



WANTED
OUR MOST NEEDED ITEMS ARE:

Tinned Potatoes

Jam

Fruit Juice

Canned Fruit

Squash

Long Life Bags

Shaving Gel

PLEASE **DON'T** GIVE US **FROZEN** OR **CHILLED** ITEMS AS WE DON'T HAVE THE CORRECT STORAGE FOR IT AND IT SPOILS BEFORE WE CAN DISTRIBUTE IT

WE'VE GOT PLENTY OF: PASTA, CEREAL, TEA & BISCUITS

**TAKE A PHOTO OF THIS LIST
WITH YOUR PHONE TO
REFER TO WHILE YOU SHOP!**

**IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF FOOD SUPPORT
PLEASE CONTACT US ON 0800 9 20 23 24**

2023 Services at Christ Church Orpington

Sunday 5th February

10.30am Holy Communion

6.30pm Evening Worship – Reflect

Sunday 12th February

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Worship

6.30pm Evening Worship – Go Deeper

Sunday 19th February

10.30am Morning Worship

6.30pm Holy Communion – Reflect

Sunday 26th February

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Worship

6.30pm Evening Worship – Go Deeper



Have you joined us in
the last couple of years?

You are invited to a
***Newcomers
Welcome Afternoon
Tea***

Sunday 19th February
3.30pm
at
Christ Church

RSVP to Greta via
ccorpington@talktalk.net or
01689 871601 answerphone

Next issue of **Family News** is
Saturday 11th February 2023

Can you please send notices etc to
Vernon by **12noon** that day **please**
for inclusion in Family News
Email is **vandjmapp@gmail.com**

"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 PCC Orpington'
to 165 Charterhouse Road, Orpington, Kent BR6 9EP
