



Thy Kingdom come

This week I read a short story from a website called 'A miracle every day', and it really impacted me and the way I deal with those on my journey. I hope as we pray together today, we can all ask for this attitude of love to EVERYONE around us:

"What could be better than picking up your favourite to-go meal after a long day and then spending a cozy evening on the couch? That's what I was hoping for, but instead, a bad-tempered waitress told me to sit down and wait. It took forever until I finally got my food! I definitely didn't feel like leaving a tip.

But then I heard this quiet voice in my heart: "Déborah, encouragement is needed now more than ever! This woman probably had a bad day, so she's super grouchy. Encourage her with your generosity." I was obedient and gave her a good tip. As I left the restaurant, I realised that my obedience had sparked something in me: JOY!

"From His abundance we have all received one gracious blessing after another." (John 1:6, NLT)

I was reminded of how many times I've been impatient, in a bad mood, or responded irritably yet still hoped I'd be treated well, understood, and most of all, shown love because I so needed it at that particular moment.

We all have bad days, and on those days, we need an extra helping of love! I encourage you to be that person today who gives more to others than you receive from them.

"Let all that you do be done with love."
(1 Corinthians 16:14, NKJV)

I could've let the waitress' bad temper sour my day, but when I was led to respond in love instead, she and I both gained joy!

Nothing is lost when you give love away! I've experienced this truth over and over. Yes, God always gives us more out of His abundance than we could ever give away! :-)

I hope that, with the power of the Holy Spirit, we can adopt this attitude of love and change the world into 'Thy Kingdom come' - Amen

Pieter

Sunday 4th February 2nd Sunday before Lent

10.30am Holy Communion

Welcome, Notices

Opening Prayer, Confession

Worship

You broke the chains that were holding me
King of kings, majesty
Who is like you Father

Bible Readings

Mark 1 v 29-39
Isaiah 40 v 21-31

Sermon

Intercessions

Peace

Worship

Strength will rise

Holy Communion

Worship

Alleluia sing to Jesus

Final Prayer & Blessing

6.30pm Evening Worship – Reflect



For online zoom coffee after morning church, join Heather from 11.45am

Meeting ID: 846 1097 4627

Passcode: R4V5My

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/84610974627?pwd=Z1g4TzIvVFVtcEUxeGRWb1FLUDVuZz09>

Family News notices

Next issue of Family News will be on 10th February with notices please by

midday, Friday 9th February 2024

Vernon, Family News editor

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

Community Club, Tuesday 6th February

Communion service at 11am.

Tea and Coffee served from 10.30am.

Our lunch menu is

Leek and potato soup

Sausages, ratatouille and potatoes

Trifle

Tea or Coffee.

Cafe Mosaic open on **Fridays**, 9.15am-2.00pm
(last orders 1.30pm).

The special this week is

Home-made Sausage Plait with chips and beans.

Help required on Friday early morning during February to serve in Mosaic Cafe.

Contact Jeanette (Café Manager) or the church office. Thanks

Bishop Simon is coming back to CCO!

Bishop Simon is coming to CCO on Sunday 18th February at 10:30am to bring us an "Anointing for Everyday Faith" Service

This is going to be a Family Service, with Bishop Simon talking on the importance of everyday faith, followed by anointing as many of us as would like this with oil, and prayer into wherever we are in our lives. This is for you, your children, your friends, and anyone who would like it

Come, bring your friends, and get anointed for God's help in your life

Sunday 18th February, 10:30am Family Service

For more information, contact Andi Smith on

youth@ccorpington.org

what's on at Christ Church Orpington

Saturday 10th February

BARN DANCE SOCIAL

6.30pm arrival for 7pm start, 10.30pm finish

Sunday 11th February

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Worship

No evening service - Half Term

Sunday 18th February

10.30am Morning Worship

6.30pm Holy Communion - Reflect

Sunday 25th February

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Worship

6.30pm Evening Worship - Go Deeper

Barry Remnant

On Thursday 8th February, 12noon, there will be a Service of Thanksgiving for Barry's life, followed by refreshments in the Large Hall, to which all are welcome.

A Book of Remembrance will be available for anyone who wishes to write something and it will also be at the church on Sunday 11th February for those unable to be present on the 8th.

Coffee & Cake Café

On Wednesday 7th February, the **Coffee & Cake Café** will be opening **10am-2pm** and then every Wednesday during term time after that. Do come or come with others for home-made cake and a variety of coffees and tea. There will not be any fixed prices but you are encouraged to make a suitable donation. Cards can be used

Calling cake makers and any who want to serve

We are looking for any who would be happy to make cakes perhaps once a month to provide home-made cakes for the Café.

We are also looking for volunteers who would be happy to serve on a Wednesday for about 4 hours greeting people, serving cakes and coffee and taking donations.

Please contact Emma on 07429 859352 for any offers to help

Subject: Diocese of Rochester - webinar

A quick note to let you know of an online event that the Diocese of Rochester is planning for the 6th of March between 17:00 and 18:00.

The webinar is linked to raise awareness of a hosting scheme for survivors of modern slavery. Bishop Simon will host it, and a guest speaker from Hope at Home will be providing more information.

Link: [The fast that I choose: Providing homes for the survivors of modern slavery \(myknowchurch.co.uk\)](https://myknowchurch.co.uk)

Magali van der Merwe
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Winter Ice!

The facilities team has come into possession of a large quantity of Rock Salt, suitable for de-icing driveways, paths, car parks etc. Buying in bulk has significantly lowered the cost. We are offering 25kg bags for a minimum donation of £12 each to anyone who wants it, just contact Mike or Jim.

A £12 donation will mean the church coffers will get a few quid, and you still get a bargain!
email: facilities@ccorpington.org, or see you around!

BARN DANCE SOCIAL

Christ Church Orpington, Charterhouse Road

Saturday 10th February

Arrival at 6.30pm to start at 7pm and finish at 10.30pm

Buffet will be provided. Bring along
your favourite tippie

The cost is £10 plus
£10 voluntary contribution

All profits going to church funds

Payment for tickets be made to
Katrina Beesley or Mel Ketchin



- tinned vegetables
- cooking sauces
- angel delight, jelly, sponge puddings
- UHT milk

Also in gluten-free and reduced-sugar products if possible

- washing up liquid

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

WE'VE GOT PLENTY OF:

PASTA, CEREAL and BISCUITS

Northumbria Morning Prayer



You are invited to join in Northumbria Morning Prayer at 9.00-9.20am in the chapel on Mondays and Tuesdays.

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

Dates for Feb: **5th & 6th**, 19th & 20th, 26th & 27th

For more details about the Northumbria Community and Northumbria Daily Prayer: <https://www.northumbriacommunity.org/offices/how-to-use-daily-office/>



Please note that the Spintastic Family Super Quiz has been **postponed** but we will be in touch soon with an update and new date. Apologies to those who have booked this out in your diaries, but do not be too disappointed as we do have a really fun packed event for you later in the Spring.

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

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

Orpington Deanery Synod focus on Safeguarding

Thursday 8th February 2024

St Giles Centre, Church Road, Farnborough, Kent BR6 7DB.

(Some parking on forecourt and more on road)

7:15pm for refreshments for a 7:45pm start.

Hear and share issues of Safeguarding in Churches as we support one another to honour Jesus' call to love one another and "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves"

Proverbs 31 v 8

Open to all.





"Human Jukebox"
sponsored carol singing/worship songs!



"Can't get Christmas carols out of your head?!"
Are you trying to remember a worship tune?
Or learn a new one? Or show the kids? Do you miss a hymn?
Do you want to share a favourite song recording with a relative?
"I know the tune, I'll try to sing it for you!" Pip

Sat.

- * Saturday 27th Jan 11am-12.45pm
- * Tuesday 30th Jan 12.15-2.30pm
- * Wednesday 7th Feb 11am-1.30pm
- * Saturday 10th Feb 4-6pm

Please help us raise money for **Holiday Club & Messy Church!**
Sponsor **Pip**, per song, per 30mins, per day, or just overall!
Please share any spare pennies you have,
or use our new PayCard machine in church,
or our usual BACS Sort code 40 52 40/ac 00095465

☺ Come & watch/listen/laugh, or even join in if you fancy a singalong, or a jam session!
☺ Or come & request your favourite carol, hymn or worship song
☺ Or leave a JukeBox request via the office, or text or email!
☺ Or pay to shut me up!

Thanks for your help!
Pip Allen (Messy Church/Holiday Club Minister)
messychurch@ccorpington.org



🎤 **"Human Jukebox 2024"** 🎤

Sponsored Singing **SONG REQUEST & Donation Form!**

NAME: _____ **Mob.no.** _____

Please help us raise money for **Holiday Club & Messy Church** by sponsoring **Pip**

"WHEN would you like me to sing your Song?" (please tick or fill in)

- Saturday 27th Jan 11am-12.45pm tester
- Tuesday 30th Jan 12.15-2.30pm CCCC day
- Wednesday 7th Feb 11am-1.30pm New Café day
- Saturday 10th Feb 4-6pm – Kids' time! Barn Dance day

If I know the tune, I'll try to sing it for you!" Pip

"WHAT SONG would you like?" + any special requests? eg. Verses nos. etc

Carol _____

Hymn _____

worship songs _____

NB Do you want an audio recording to share with an older relative? Yes / No

HOW do I help? "I am going to pay Pip by.." (please tick or fill in)

- per song £ _____
- per 30 mins £ _____
- per day £ _____
- Overall Donation £ _____

USING

- spare change cash (to Pip during event? OR XCh Office?)
- the new PayCard machine at the back of Church
- our usual XCh online BACS Sort code 40 52 40/ac 00095465

Thanks SO MUCH for your help, support and donations! **£ RECEIVED by** _____

Pip Allen (Messy Church/Holiday Club Minister) messychurch@ccorpington.org

