



# This † Week

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## September 14<sup>th</sup> – The Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity

A very warm welcome to everyone joining in worship here today.

**Large print versions of the Order of Service are available at the back of church**

**A loop system is provided for the benefit of hearing aid users. Please switch it to 'T'. Please switch off mobile phones.**

**Parents with young children: don't worry if your child makes a noise during the service – we don't mind!**

**If it helps, there are some books, toys and 'busy bags' suitable for young children at the back of church.**

14 <sup>th</sup> September The Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity	8:00am	Holy Communion. Readings (p176) Galatians 3:16-22; Luke 10:23b-37 (BA)
	10:30am	Parade & Family Service Reading: <i>St Paul</i> (Scouts) <i>Followed by coffee morning on behalf of Guides</i>
	6:30pm	Holy Communion. Readings (p176) Galatians 3:16-22; Luke 10:23b-37 (TB)
Monday	12 noon	Funeral of Patrick Reed at Radcliffe Crematorium
Tuesday	9:15am	Holy Communion
Wednesday	2:30pm	Church open for personal prayer
21 <sup>st</sup> September The Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity	8:00am	Holy Communion. Readings (p179) Galatians 5:16-24; Luke 17:11-19 (JW)
	10:30am	Family Communion. (Lord's Prayer: Hymn N <sup>o</sup> 264) <i>Prayers AL</i> <i>Communion Hymns: TBD</i> Readings: Jonah 3:10-4:11 (CW); Philippians 1:21-30 (MH); Matthew 20:1-16
	6:30pm	Evensong Psalm 119: 33-40, 89-96 (pg 500) <i>Prayers VF</i> Readings Galatians 5:16-24; Matthew 9:9-14 (RT)

### FOR OUR PRAYERS this week we pray for:

**The Church:** Our Bishops, (David, Chris and Mark), Archdeacon David, Area Dean Alison, our ministry team, our PCC, our Churchwardens (Jean and Andrew). The PCCs of the Radcliffe and Ainsworth parishes as we work towards establishing a four parish team in this area. That the Diocesan vocations strategy will bear fruit and some from within our fellowship will answer God's call to Ordained, ALM or Reader ministry.

**Mission:** We pray for those who have yet to encounter the love of God in Jesus Christ. As we implement our Mission Action Plan, we pray that we will continue to grow numerically, in faith and in discipleship. We pray that all of us might be good witnesses to the love of Christ in our day-to-day lives and that our footprint in the community might grow. We pray that our uniformed organisations, ABC, and Sunday School will continue to thrive and that Messy Church will grow. We ask for discernment as we explore additional possibilities for serving the young people of this parish.

**Our finances:** Future building work as we firm up on the work required and investigate the possibility of applying for grants. That we will meet our obligation to the Diocese to cover the cost of ministry in this parish and to support the cost of mission within the Diocese generally through the Parish Share.

**Our families, friends, and our local community:** Those facing financial or other difficulties. The children and staff of Christ Church School. Those who care for the frail and sick. Those living on Heaton Road.

**Our nation & the world:** The Queen, her Ministers, our MP (Ivan Lewis), our councillors (Sharon Briggs, Peter Bury & Jane Lewis). Those serving overseas in the armed forces. Those affected by war and conflict. The persecuted Church, especially Christians in Sudan, Pakistan, Kenya, Nigeria, Iraq and Syria. Canon Andrew White, Vicar of Baghdad.

**Those in need:** Those being cared for in local hospitals, hospices and nursing homes. For all who are ill, especially for: Louise Singleton, Noah Barnes, Graham Cowland, Trevor Cowland, Mary Brooks, Winnie Horrobin, Irene Ellison and Adrian Atkinson.

**The bereaved:** All who have lost loved ones, especially the family and friends of Patrick Reed and John Mudd. Trusting in God, may they find healing, peace, strength and courage to face the future.

*"The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective." (James 5:16)*

## Christ Church Ainsworth

**'Celebrating, encouraging, proclaiming and supporting faith, hope and love  
in Jesus Christ our Lord...'**

## **NOTICES – 14<sup>th</sup> September 2014**

- **Iraq:** The Church of England is asking Churches and individuals to: **Pray** for the dire situation in Iraq; **Act** by displaying a poster (follow link [https://www.churchofengland.org/media/2054392/nazarene\\_poster.pdf](https://www.churchofengland.org/media/2054392/nazarene_poster.pdf) ) and by writing to their MPs urging them to press the Government to increase Britain's humanitarian efforts for all those affected by the crisis and to ask for asylum to be granted to a fair number of those who will be unable to return to their homes; and **Give** generously. Donations can be made to the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf <http://cypgulf.org/iraq/> or the Foundation for Relief and Reconciliation in the Middle East, which supports the work of Canon Andrew White & St George's, Baghdad <http://frme.org/> Also, to Open Doors, to which donations can be made via its website <https://partners.opendoorsuk.org/sslpage.aspx?pid=497>
- **Gift Month:** As has been our practice in recent years, September is our 'Gift Month'. Please be generous so that we can continue to pay our way. There will be special white envelopes in Church throughout September.
- **Ice Bucket Challenge:** Just to prove that the leadership team at Christ Church is madder than a bucket of frogs, Debra Johnstone and Andrew Lowe have both done the "Ice Bucket Challenge". Andrew invites everyone at Christ Church to join in the 'fun' for a donation to Church funds (and an even bigger donation if you chicken out!). Video it and post it to our Facebook page (which is where you'll find a clip of Andrew). Over the next few weeks, there will be a bucket at the back of church for your donations (don't forget to Gift Aid them).
- **Pewsheets:** Just a reminder that the deadline for notices is the Tuesday afternoon before the Sunday. I do try to include late notices and normally print on Thursday afternoon, but sometimes, due to circumstances, I have to print out on Wednesday. Also, please try to keep notices short and to the point if you can. Thanks. Polly.
- **September Snack:** Thank you to all who came along to the Social Committee's September Snack fundraiser last Sunday. The sandwiches and scones were a hit and a total of £154.70 was raised for Church funds. Unfortunately, some of the table decorations, which the Committee had only just acquired and were hoping to reuse, went missing during the course of the event. If anyone knows of their whereabouts could they please let the Committee know or return them by leaving them on the Vicarage steps. Thank you
- **Flower Festival** (July 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 2015). A meeting is arranged for Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30 at 39 Freckleton Drive, Bury BL8 2JA. The flower festival is a major fund raising event for our church, we need just a few willing volunteers to help to organise the different aspects of this event. It is not only flower arrangers that are needed, so please don't rule yourself out, before you have had chance to shine! Marilyn Wildin is hoping to bring together a working team, there are no definite criteria, just a willingness to help see the process through. Please feel welcome to come to the meeting, who knows it may be the beginning of something good! I will have to Hoover up, before welcoming guests, so please make it worth my while!! See you there. Mari Wildin
- **Mothers' Union** will welcome the Archdeaconry President, Christine Faulkner to their meeting on Tuesday (16<sup>th</sup>) at 7.30pm in the Church and Community Hall. All are welcome to join with us
- **Harvest Sunday** (October 12<sup>th</sup>) and our annual appeal to help this local charity is The Three Ts----- tins, toiletries and teabags. There is a box in the church porch for donations or why not bring them to any of the three services on the 12<sup>th</sup>? They will be very gratefully accepted. We will also be giving flowering plants to the sick and housebound members of the congregation. A small financial contribution for this annual gift would be very welcome. Please place the amount in an envelope and hand to the Vicar or Churchwardens. Thank you in advance of your support.
- **Intercessions:** More volunteers are needed to lead our prayers both at our 10.30am service and, especially, at the 6.30pm service. If you feel led to volunteer, speak to Gwen White or Revd Dave.
- **Prayer:** We now have a parish Prayer Diary. Copies are in the lobby, otherwise download from the Facebook page.
- **Prayer Breakfast:** The Mayor of Bury is hosting another Prayer Breakfast at the Elizabethan Suite, Bury Town Hall 7.30am on 2nd October. The speaker is Lee Mathews of 'Hope for Justice', an organisation that combats Human Trafficking. All are welcome. If you want to attend, you will find a form on our Facebook page. Otherwise email the vicar for a form.
- **Cockey Moor Cook Book.** Gwen is collating recipes to produce a cook book (ready for Christmas) to raise funds for the building work which is needed. Any recipe – simple foods (recipes which have been adapted and tried at home) are ideal. She needs them by the end of September so please help if you can – either email her ([whitegwen185@gmail.com](mailto:whitegwen185@gmail.com)) or put paper copies in the red velvet box at the back of church.
- **World War 2 Request** - If you were in the village during World War 2, the Village History society would like to hear from you – anything you remember about life in the village would be gratefully received. Also, if you have any memorabilia, photos, letters etc connected with the village during those war years, they would like to copy them for the village archive. Please speak to Polly (01204 398567) if you can help.
- **Housegroups** are a tried and tested way for those who wish to explore our Christian faith in a little more depth to come together for Bible study and prayer in a spirit of fellowship. It is planned to start a new group in September (led by Andrew Lowe). Interested? Then speak to Andrew or Revd Dave.

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**If you pay tax, please Gift Aid your offering(s).** This enables us to claim back the tax paid on offerings and in 2013 this boosted our funds by £7436. Envelopes for occasional givers are in the pews and forms for regular givers are in the porch. **The only details that need to be given,** are your **full** name, address and post code and an acknowledgement that you pay tax to the value of the amount to be claimed. Bank Standing Order forms are also available in the Church porch. Completed forms can be put on the collection plate with your offering.