

Christ Church and People

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Details of our services are given on pages 2 and 3.

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(see page 18 for details)

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Tue	1	9:30am 10:00am 12:30pm 7:00pm	Christ Church First School assembly Coffee before midweek service: service at 10:30 Seekers Club Youth Club yrs 9-13
Wed	2	6:00pm 7:00pm	KingZone yrs 2-4 Lent series - meet at Costa Coffee
Thu	3	1:20pm	Christ Church Academy assembly
Fri	4		
Sat	5	8:30am	Prayer meeting followed by breakfast
Sun	6	9:15am 4:00pm 6:00pm	Communion. John 7:25-44 "Divided opinions" Families at Four "The friend of little children" 3-2-1 part 2 "The world"
Mon	7	6:30pm	Breathe yrs 5-8
Tue	8	9:30am 10:00am 12:30pm 7:00pm	Christ Church First School assembly Coffee before midweek service: service at 10:30 Seekers Club Youth Club yrs 9-13
Wed	9	6:00pm 7:00pm	KingZone yrs 2-4 Lent series - meet at Costa Coffee
Thu	10	1:20pm 6:30pm	Christ Church Academy assembly "King of the Jungle" with Colin Buchanan St Andrew's church, The Westlands
Fri	11	9:30am 1:45pm	Christ Church First School Easter service Christ Church Academy Easter service
Sat	12		
Sun	13	9:15am 2:30pm 6:00pm	Morning Prayer: John 12:1-19 "The anointed king" Autumn House service 3-2-1 part 3 "You"
Mon	14		
Tue	15	10:00am 1:00pm	Coffee before midweek service: service at 10:30 Fraternal

Fairtrade goods will be on sale after the service on April 27th

Wed	16		
Thu	17	7:00pm	Maundy Thursday service at St John's Oulton John 18:1-11 "The cup he alone could drink"
Fri	18	10:00am 10:00am 10:45am	Easter Craft in the Centre Procession from St Michael's to Christ Church Good Friday family service John 19:28-37 "It is finished"
Sat	19		
Sun	20	9:15am 6:00pm	Communion: John 20:1-18 "He's alive!" 9 a Day "Self-control"
Mon	21		
Tue	22	10:00am 1:30pm	Coffee before midweek service: service at 10:30 Space Academy
Wed	23	1:30pm	Space Academy
Thu	24	1:30pm	Space Academy
Fri	25	1:30pm	Space Academy
Sat	26		
Sun	27	9:15am 4:00pm	Holiday Club service John 21:1-14 "Jesus at his word" APCM
Mon	28	6:30pm	Breathe yrs 5-8
Tue	29	9:30am 10:00am 12:30pm 7:00pm	Christ Church First School assembly Coffee before midweek service: service at 10:30 Seekers Club Youth Club yrs 9-13
Wed	30	6:00pm 7:30pm	KingZone yrs 2-4 Standing committee

The hour that changed the world

“Finally!” we hear ourselves say when the seeds sprout. It brings pleasure to child and adult alike to see the signs of new life. From something weak, insignificant and self-evidently dead, comes new life. It's simply amazing!

Jesus was a dab hand at using everyday things to communicate complex truths. That's what made his teaching so memorable.

Shortly after riding into Jerusalem with lots of festivalgoers, Jesus spoke in ominous terms about the week ahead. There would be a whirlwind of activity, so they'd need to be clear about what would happen to him.

Jesus said his imminent death would be like a seed being planted in the ground: *'the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds'* (John 12v23-24). Many dismissed Jesus as being unimportant and said that he was wildly misguided. The plot to eliminate him proved that he was powerless: like everybody else he would end up dead and buried, just a footnote on a page of history. But Jesus said that his body would be like planting a seed. In time it would spring to life! The natural world has an in-built visual aid in the form of seeds that point us to this truth.

Jesus' death and resurrection are the core truths for his followers. Jesus' resurrection sets the future for his people: they will receive a new body fit for heaven and so live with the risen Christ. This is the basis of comfort for all pain and loss experienced. It also means that the wisest investment of our time and effort is to follow in his footsteps and serve him: *'Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me'* (John 12v25-26).

The hour of his death would prove to be the hour of his glory. It was the hour that changed the world. For this reason the day of rest is on Sundays – each one is a mini-Easter as it marks the day of resurrection.

Join us this Easter to discover more about this great hope made sure by Jesus, who alone has defeated the power of sin and death.

Paul Kingman



The day after

The day after. We know the feeling - the day after a momentous moment in our lives we are left elated or exhausted – on cloud nine or in the depths of despair depending whether the event was for good or for ill. Getting married or ending a relationship; the birth of a child or the death of a partner; promotion to a new job or retiring from a life time's work – the common factor is that sense that somehow life will never be the same again.

So it must have been for the disciples on that Saturday after the first Good Friday. Devastated by seeing Jesus rejected by the same crowds that just days earlier had welcomed him into Jerusalem as their 'King' and then demanded his death. Jesus crucified like a criminal. All those hopes and expectations dashed. A sense of being let down and anger mingled with an overpowering grief and genuine sorrow at the death of a friend. Above all, a sense that life would never be the same again. By following Jesus they had crossed a line that meant that they too were now on the edge of their society and to be open about their belief could result in persecution. No wonder that they meet together in secret for fear of what might happen to them.

The Church of England is at present in a kind of 'the day after' mood. It is so easy for us to be like the disciples on that first Holy Saturday – dejected by the attacks made on us by those who have no time for religion in general and Christianity in particular. The 'golden age' of a vicar per parish when everyone was baptised and confirmed and you could be certain of knowing the hymns when you went to Church has gone. And some are left with a mixture of anger and sadness and an overwhelming sense that things will never be the same again.

Endless negative reports about attendance and age of Church-goers seem to crowd out the Good News that is the Gospel. Dire predictions that the Church of England will have vanished within a generation and a focus in the media on areas of disagreement among Christians with little thought given to the fact that Christians are overwhelmingly united in their belief in Jesus as their Lord and Saviour.

This 'day after' cannot be a time for naivety or complacency. The reality of all that has happened cannot be denied. The Church today is not the same as it was fifty years ago and as Rowan Williams once said, the Church of tomorrow will be 'different'. *(continued)*

The day after *(cont)*

But if we truly believe in a God who is faithful this should not be a cause of gloom and doom. This Diocese believes in mutual support. This has been reflected in the amazing generosity displayed in giving which has enabled stipendiary ministry to continue in our socially deprived areas. But mutual support is not just about finance. We are all in this together and we need to be prayerfully supportive of one another and encouraging one another to be expectant about what lies ahead. We need to be looking for where God is at work and be open to God's Holy Spirit to give us the confidence, individually and as a Diocese, to build on this work.

There is no single recipe for Church growth but more positive research has highlighted that Churches that have: a clear mission and purpose; are intentional and make growth a priority; have clergy and congregations willing to change and adapt; have lay people active in leadership; actively engage children and young people; have a welcoming culture and willingness to build on relationships with people; nurture disciples and teach the faith; are willing to innovate and motivate – these are the churches that grow! How does yours compare? Are you helping or hindering?

The important thing that about the 'day after' is that there is also a day after this. For the disciples this brought the astounding news that Jesus had risen from the dead! 'He is not here for he has been raised!' For the disciples and all Christians life has never been the same since that first Easter morning.

May this joyful Eastertide bring us renewed confidence and hope and determination to continue to grow our Churches, expectant that a God who raised Jesus from the dead is quite able to resurrect the Church of England!

Geoff Annas, Bishop of Stafford

Sylvia Butterworth

John and Hilary and the family of Sylvia Butterworth would like to thank everyone from Christ Church and Oulton who helped and looked our Mum at the end of her life and we are very grateful to all those who attended her funeral on March 6, to all those who took part in the service, who arranged the flowers and refreshments and who supported us with many, many cards and messages of condolences. So far just over £300 has been raised from the collection and from donations for Stone Stroke Club.

A Resurrection Story

In 1945 two visionary men, in consultation with a wider group of Christian leaders, purchased LEE ABBEY, a very large ancestral mansion, enclosed in copious acres, with paths leading down to the North Devon coast, and beach, at the end of The Valley of Rocks, near Lynton, above Lynmouth. Their aim was to establish a Christian holiday and conference centre, run by a resident community, focused on prayer and service in order to bring new life and hope to the Church in the wake of the gloom of the war years. It was to be Christ-centred and gospel-orientated, welcoming, joyful and fun-loving. It grew and flourished, and was like a reviving stream in the Spiritual life of the Church. It has been so ever since, and thousands of people have come away from Lee Abbey, blessed, refreshed and renewed in Christ, not least those hosts of young people who have been to the annual summer youth camps.

In the late fifties another group of christian leaders met with those from Lee Abbey with a new vision for a similar house and community, but this time in the north of England. In Wharfedale, near the village of Kettlewell, Scargill House and estate was on the market and they 'conceived' it as the home of 'A Lee Abbey of the North'. Their vision was backed by prayer, quiet publicity, fund raising, donations and pledged giving, loans and help from Lee Abbey, itself, and Scargill was purchased in 1957. A warden was appointed and a community gathered as the house was being adapted and and appropriately expanded to make it fit for its rebirth as a Christian Centre. It opened its doors to guest two years later and went from strength over more than four decades. As you approach on the road from Skipton and look across the River Wharf your first view of Scargill is of its iconic Scandinavian-style Chapel, built and dedicated in 1960, a symbol of the prayer and worship at the heart of the life of the community. Our own family went there early on, and we have revisited many time, often with groups for *Parish Weekends*, always returning refreshed, encouraged and renewed.

In more recent years a change in personnel and leadership led to a change in direction, which, though good in itself, was a deviation from the one for which Scargill had been founded, and which had brought such great blessing to so many down the years. It was accompanied by failing financial viability, leading to closure in July 2008 and Scargill having to be put on the market to meet increasing debts. No buyer came forward for the house or the contents, but a group, led by the Bishop of Bolton, Chris Edmonson, a former Warden of Lee Abbey, met together. They were not prepared to see the continuing demise of Scargill – its permanent death. A completely new charitable trust was established, called *Scargill Movement*: it gathered momentum rapidly and attracted support and finance.

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A Resurrection Story *(cont)*

As happened way back in the fifties, donations came in, loans were pledged, and help came again from Lee Abbey. *Scargill Movement* was able to buy back, or redeem, Scargill House and Estate, with most of its contents in March 2009, so that the former trust could pay off its bank loans and debts and, effectively, wind down, as it directed its focus elsewhere. The new *Scargill Movement* trustees invited Phil Stone, with his wife, Di, to lead the re-born enterprise and gather together a community to run it. Phil was a vicar in a busy north London parish but had been a youth chaplain at Lee Abbey – well experienced in *community living!* The community was small to begin with and worked its socks off for two years to make the new Scargill fit for 21st century purpose so that 3 years ago it opened its doors for business and last year income exceeded running expenditure! Loans were being repaid, bookings were full, parish weekends booked through to 2015. The community now numbers over 30: many younger people from many different parts of the world coming for a time, to join a more mature longer-term core of older folk, including Adrian and Bridget Plass, and two new chaplaincy couples this year. Scargill has come alive from the dead: “Truly a resurrection!” says Phil Stone.

Having recently been there in the 'before' and 'after' periods we have experienced both decline and, latterly, joyful resurrection. There is a wonderful and very varied programme planned through to 2015 with three *Summerfest* weeks in August for the whole of the family. We have brochures with all the details or you can get in touch directly on the internet. Our latest experience was with 50 others joining with John Bell, of the Iona Community, *Accessing the Bible* together. We always come away from Scargill refreshed and renewed.

God has wonderful ways of sealing his presence and blessing, and honouring his followers' confidence in Him. Just recently some of the community at Scargill were out walking near the house and got into conversation with a lady doing the same. She enquired who there were and they told her about Scargill and invited her back to see the House and a video of its activities and purpose. She was a Christian lady and expressed how impressed she had been. A few days later *Scargill* received a letter from her enclosing a cheque – for £100,000!

Scargill Movement's motto is LIVES SHARED, LIVES TRANSFORMED.

Brian and Cath Reeve

For more info contact us or www.scargillmovement.org

Families @4

Families@4 is a twice monthly Sunday afternoon service in Christ Church Centre with cake, craft, stories and songs and most of all lots of fun! Starting at 4pm and finishing by 5pm, we are currently working our way through **the Jesus Storybook Bible** which shows how every story in the Bible whispers Jesus' name! This term we'll continue to see how Jesus fulfils the Old Testament whisperings and prophecies about God's desire to rescue his people!

The last date for this term is:

6 April – *The friend of little children*

We love welcoming new comers so we do hope you can join us!

For more information contact Andy Cranston on 818983 or
acranston.ccstone@gmail.com

Barons' Update

(Ralph and Dagmar Baron are currently living in Austria and working with Trans-World Radio and Interserve. They are considering what they should do in the future)

After much talking, thinking, prayer and advice from others we have applied to return to Murree Christian School and await their decision in the next few weeks. Ralph's role would be to be IT manager and to teach Physics to the 16 to 18 year olds. Dagmar might teach Biology and/or be involved in non-teaching areas.

Prayer points:

- 1) the decision by Murree Christian School
- 2) using our remaining time in Austria well
- 3) finding accommodation for our Home Assignment
- 4) Dagmar's travels and ministry.
- 5) finding suitable new tenants

What is Space Academy Holiday Club?

Space Academy Holiday Club is a 4-day fun event for children aged 4 – 11 years (school years Reception to Year 6) run by volunteers from Christ Church, Stone and Oulton Church. We aim to teach the children some basic Christian values whilst having a great time together. To get the most out of it, the children are encouraged to come on all four afternoons, as the event follows a programme of Bible teaching and drama that follows through as the Club progresses, but children can also join in for shorter periods if they can't come every day.

The children can be safely left in our care; parents are not required to stay. Each child will be placed into a small group, based on age, with dedicated leaders who will be responsible for him or her throughout the afternoon. However, not all of the time is spent in this small group, as there are some activities that all the children participate in together. During a typical afternoon we will have times of singing action songs, doing quizzes, learning together from drama, DVD input and activity sheets, making things, playing games, and having refreshments. There is no time to be bored!

The Club culminates in a special Holiday Club service at Christ Church on the Sunday morning, followed by a brunch to which all family members are invited. During this service we will review what the children have learnt and get a flavour of the fun they have been having during the week. We do hope that your children would like to be part of this adventure!

If you have any questions, please ring Sue Kingman on 01785 812669 who will be happy to answer them.

Fundraising for Stone Outward Division Guides to Mombasa in October

Catherine Abrahams is raising money for her trip to Mombasa, where she will be helping a project in Kididima that will see the building of a toilet block, community hall, health centre and playground. Help her by dining with the Abrahams family at their house or at The Crown of India. For evening meals Catherine suggests you might pay £15, for Strawberry Teas £2 - but you are welcome to make a larger contribution.

Speak to Catherine or Jacqueline for details

Christ Church, Stone, invites you to



A Holiday Club for children in Reception – Year 6

Christ Church Centre, Stone
22nd – 25th April 2014
1.30 – 4.00 pm

Holiday Club service, Sunday 27th April, 9.15 am

A 4-day adventure, with games, songs, crafts and drama, based on the Bible book 'Daniel'

Download a booking form from your school website or from www.christchurchstone.org or contact the Church Office on

01785 811990

Keeping up with *The Story* in 2014

The Sunday sermons continue to tackle various chapters illustrative of what is being covered in in '*The Story*'. This book is written like a novel with various Bible passages and summaries of events to help us grasp the big picture or the the story of salvation – God's dealings with humanity from Genesis to Revelation.

If you've not started, or are lagging behind, then join in with the following schedule below. Happy reading!

Sunday	Book	Chapter
April 6th	25	Jesus the Son of God
April 13th	26	The hour of darkness
April 20th	27	The resurrection
April 27th	28	New beginnings

Details of Easter services

Maundy Thursday:

Holy Communion 7pm at Oulton

Good Friday:

Children's Easter Crafts 10am at CC Centre or join CTiS worship, walk and witness starting at St Michael's at 10am followed by joint CTiS service at 10:45am at CC, Stone.

Music and meditation (the Passion according to John) 7pm at CC, Stone.

Easter Sunday:

9:15 am, Holy Communion at Christ Church

11:00am, Holy Communion, Oulton

Tuesday 22nd April:

Children's Holiday Club starts

Annual Parochial Church Meetings

Christ Church, Stone APCM at 4pm on Sun 27th April.

Oulton with Moddershall APCM at 7.30pm on Monday 28th April.

Women's World Day of Prayer in Stone

This global, ecumenical movement of Christian women call Christians together on the first Friday in March each year to observe a common day of prayer.

The service is written by a different country each year and that country then becomes the focus of the world's prayers on the day itself. The first service of the day takes place on the island of Samoa and the last service takes place on American Samoa. From the time that dawn breaks until the last service, the world is circled in prayer for 36 hours. This year the Stone Service was held on Friday 7th March at St. Dominic's Church and prepared by the Christian women of Egypt. Their theme of 'Streams in the Desert' was expressed in songs, prayers, Egyptian music and instruments. The children from St Dominic's Primary and Priory school joined us for the beginning of the service and added their prayers and song. I fully expected them to leave at this stage but they decided to stay a bit longer to the delight of us all.

The two powerpoint presentations organised by Mike Thompson were among the highlights of the afternoon. These were given by Dr Salib's family and their friend Dr Ibrahim. First of all we had an overview of the Coptic Church down the centuries. During the early centuries Egypt hosted many important Christian Councils including the Council of Nicea. It is to them that we owe the formation of the first part of the Nicene Creed - with its precise definition of the 'Person' of Jesus Christ, God and Man - which we regularly say during our Communion Service. The second presentation highlighted some of the cost of being a Christian and the ever present fear of persecution.

Today, the Church in Egypt is still strong. The Coptic Church goes back to the very first century and there are many churches of different denominations. In Cairo alone there are over 200 churches. We rejoice that across Egypt churches and families were sharing together in this World Day of Prayer.

We finished the afternoon with tea, coffee and a selection of Egyptian cakes.

Ann Butler

Dear Brothers and sisters,

Thank you very much for your prayers for the baptism we held in Simpetru on 23rd of February. There we had a huge number of non-Christians who came to be part with us for this event. There we got between 50 to 60 non-Christians.

I have good news about Simpetru. There we started a permanent Children's ministry on 22nd of February. Yesterday March 2nd was the first time the children got an opportunity to minister to the church. It was wonderful. Daniel and Margareta Ripas are doing a great job with the children. A number of non-Christians are coming to church regularly.

Please pray for the following:

1. We need prayers for the children's ministry. We want to develop this area of ministry in Simpetru. We do not have children of the church members except a girl. We want to involve those children and to teach music and the Word of God. We need to buy some tools to be able to do that. Like microphone, mandolins and guitars. Please pray for God's provision.

2. Daniel and Margareta want to move to live in Simpetru they found a house which they like. The house would be \$9000. Please pray that they will be able to sell their apartment and find the rest of the funds they need to buy that house in Simpetru.

3. The church place right now is a bit too small with the all ministry going on. I pray and I think there will be not to long before we will need a larger place for church meetings and for church ministries. I want to ask you to pray for ministries in Simpetru and for the people to follow Christ. Please pray that God will make our church building too small for the people who are willing to follow Christ.

4. Please pray for me and to be available for the work I need to do there in Simpetru. Please pray for my needs too.

5. Please pray that God to send more churches who are willing to get involved to support the ministry in Romania.

Thank you for all your support and love.

In Christ

Mircea Pestean

January has been busy for us, and now February is speeding by as well! We have settled into our flat and are pleased that we were able to quickly buy everything we needed for the flat from a family who left. This was a huge blessing as it can take a long time to get settled. After Christmas we started working at the House of Hope. This has so far been a time of ups and downs. It has been encouraging to see the work that is being done and to feel like we are finally starting to do what we are here to do, but also there are many challenges.

We are working in the mornings at the school for vulnerable girls. Many of these girls beg on the streets when they are not at school. They come from poor communities in Dakar or live on the streets or in makeshift housing with their families. They are very vulnerable to physical and sexual abuse. We really need your prayers in this ministry as the girls behaviour is very challenging. They are constantly fighting with each other. Children who have been abused or neglected often have challenging behaviour so we are not surprised, but it is hard for us to deal with it in french, especially as not all the girls speak good french. Please pray that despite the language barriers we would be able to communicate how special and loved by God they are.

In the afternoons we go to the younger boys home, at the moment there are 5 boys staying here ranging in age from 10 to 14. From 3 until 6 we have a 'drop in' for boys who are living on the street. These are mostly ex talibes (boys sent at a young age at learn the koran but who often end up being forced to beg on the streets by their teachers) who have run away and now survive on the streets alone. They have lessons in reading, writing, then time to play games, eat and shower. Just before Christmas three of these boys decided they wanted to join the boys in the home. Two of them have settled well but sadly the third couldn't cope with the structure in the home, and has too much hurt and distrust to stay. He decided to go back to the street, but he still comes most days to the drop in. Keep praying for him!

Often we need to do basic first aid for the street children. Some of them have quite nasty and infected wounds, its easy to get injured and hard to keep things clean when you live on the street. Sometimes others come just wanting some attention for a little scratch or cut, their emotional needs are also deep. It's a good opportunity to show them that we care about them.

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Street Children World Cup

Adam is going to Brazil to the Street Child World Cup, which takes place from 27th March to 6th April. He will be involved with running music workshops for the street children who come from all over the world to be part of this football tournament. The aim is to raise awareness about the situation of street children and to bring about change in their lives. You can be part of this by helping Adam to fundraise and by buying his new song 'Somebody Beautiful' which explores the theme of the event 'I am Somebody' Anyone who donates will get the song and access to a VIP blog during the Street Child World Cup.

It has been really encouraging seeing more money come in for the Street Child World Cup. Thank you very much to those of you who have sponsored Adam and thanks to the prayer groups who have given gifts as well. Remember to fill out the form for claiming your rewards. There is still a fair bit to go before he reaches his target...so please keep praying. The song is close to completion and nearly ready to be released, it just needs to be mixed. Recording has been a challenge, there are some hungry sheep living near our flat that make finding quiet difficult!

If you would like to lead reflections or prayer for The Street Child World Cup your church, small group, or youth/children's group there are some Worship Resources available. We could also be part of it with a video message or something linking with Senegal too.

Sarah and Adam

More information can be found on Adam's web page, www.adambakermusic.co.uk

*If you would like to donate money, this can be done through a link on the webpage to the **JustGiving** website, where you can make a donation using **PayPal** or a credit/debit card. It is possible to claim **GiftAid** on any donation, and to leave a message to Adam and Sarah while making the donation. On the 15th March, £558 of the necessary £1600 had been raised. You can also buy his latest song via the website.*

If this seems a little too complicated for you, then see me after church and I will assist. Dave Bell

REGISTERS AND ROTAS

FUNERALS

6th March	Sylvia Butterworth	Age 89
11th March	Richard John Jenkinson	Age 93

SIDESPERSIONS ROTA

AM

6th April	J. Bowes	K. Woodward
	D. Davies	K. Thompson
13th April	V. Ledward	D. Wilson
	D. Pickles	J. Rowlands
20th April	J. Abrahams	D. Shemilt
	G. Holden	K. McKnight
27th April	P. Hipkiss	P. Roberts
	C. Wilding	P. Tunstall



FLOWER ROTA

6th April	Lent
13th April	Lent
20th April	Easter
27th April	Flower Guild

ROADS FOR PRAYER

6th April

The Crescent
End of Granville Terrace
Millers Gate
Hartley Drive

120th April

Chestnut Grove
Edward Street
Field Terrace
Field House Court

13th April

Albert Street
Alexandra Street
Arthur Street
Berkeley Street

27th April

Kent Grove
Meaford Avenue
Mount Avenue
Mount Crescent



Groups and Activities

Deanery Synod Reps	Mrs S Hallam, Mr R. Brandon, Mr D. Rowlands	
P.C.C. Members	Mrs I. Gassor, Mr G. Donaldson, Mrs K. Latham Mrs S. Sanders, Mr P. Mason, Mrs D. Hazlehurst Mrs A. Burton, Mrs M. Hillman, Mr K. Reynolds, Mrs E. Woodhead	
Secretary	Shelagh Sanders	
Treasurer	Kevin Reynolds	850135
Envelopes, Gift Aid	Richard Latos	

GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES

Climbers 3-7 years	Sandra Morray.....	286093
Explorers 7-11 years	Estella Woodhead.....	761659
Pathfinders 11-14 years	Enid Bell.....	815775
Banner Group	Jeanette Rowlands.....	816713
Church Missionary Boxes	Cecilia Wilding.....	817987
Flower Guild	Marylyn Hillman.....	815936
Missions Secretary	Cecilia Wilding.....	817987
Prayer Group	Jeanette Rowlands.....	816713
Parents & Toddlers (Mon 9.30 – 11.15am)	Sandra Morray.....	286093
3rd Stone Brownies (Mon 6:00-7:30pm, First School)	Janet Smith.....	815939

Young People's Activities take place in the Centre during the Sunday morning service except on the fourth Sunday in the month, which is the family service.

Climbers 3-7 years **Explorers** 7-11 years **Pathfinders** 11-14 years

The following activities take place every week week in the Centre during term time.

Monday Toddlers 9.30 am

THE MAGAZINE TEAM

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