



# **WORTHING CHRIST CHURCH**

**Grafton Road BN11 1QY**

## **HYMN, SONG AND SERVICE SHEET**

**The Sunday next before Lent**

**23<sup>rd</sup> February 2020**

**10.30am Morning Prayer  
with The Revd David Renshaw**

*There is prayer in the organ vestry every Sunday  
at 10am for 15 minutes before the service and you  
are welcome to join at any time*

### **TODAY:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Exodus 24: 12 - end read by Pat B**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Matthew 17: 1 - 9 read by Ann P**

**Intercessions led by Tony S**

The Organ Voluntary following our service today is:  
*Obra de 8Tom (Ms 1357 page 1, Madrid) Anonymous,  
2<sup>nd</sup> half of 17th century*

## SERVICES IN FEBRUARY 2020

- 26<sup>th</sup> 12 noon Ash Wednesday**  
**Holy Communion & distribution of Ashes**  
with The Revd David Renshaw
- 27<sup>th</sup> 10.30am BCP Holy Communion**  
with The Revd Alex Grubb

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## Opening Hymn [251]

*All things bright and beautiful,  
all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful,  
the Lord God made them all.*

Each little flower that opens,  
each little bird that sings,  
he made their glowing colours,  
he made their tiny wings. *Refrain*

The purple-headed mountain,  
the river running by,  
the sunset, and the morning  
that brightens up the sky. *Refrain*

The cold wind in the winter,  
the pleasant summer sun,  
the ripe fruits in the garden,  
he made them every one. *Refrain*

He gave us eyes to see them,  
and lips that we might tell  
how great is God Almighty,  
who has made all things well.

*All things bright and beautiful,  
all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful,  
the Lord God made them all.*

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## Worship Songs

There is a hope that burns within my heart,  
that gives me strength for ev'ry passing day;  
a glimpse of glory now revealed in meagre part,  
yet drives all doubt away:  
I stand in Christ, with sins forgiv'n;  
and Christ in me, the hope of heav'n!  
My highest calling and my deepest joy,  
to make his will my home.

There is a hope that lifts my weary head,  
a consolation strong against despair,  
that when the world has plunged me  
in its deepest pit,  
I find the Saviour there!  
Through present suff'rings, future's fear,  
he whispers 'courage' in my ear.  
For I am safe in everlasting arms,  
and they will lead me home.

There is a hope that stands the test of time,  
that lifts my eyes beyond the beck'ning grave,  
to see the matchless beauty of a day divine  
when I behold his face!  
When sufferings cease and sorrows die,  
and ev'ry longing satisfied,  
then joy unspeakable will flood my soul,  
for I am truly home.

## **Song 2**

Spirit of the living God,  
fall afresh on me.

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fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mould me,  
fill me, use me,

Spirit of the living God,  
fall afresh on me.

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Songs/Song Solutions Daybreak*

## **HYMN [591]**

The kingdom of God is justice and joy;  
for Jesus restores what sin would destroy.  
God's power and glory in Jesus we know  
and here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.

The kingdom of God is mercy and grace;  
the captives are freed, the sinners find place,  
the outcast are welcomed God's banquet to share;  
and hope is awakened in place of despair.

The kingdom of God is challenge and choice:  
believe the good news, repent and rejoice!  
His love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross:  
our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.

God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal;  
in Jesus begun, in heaven made whole.  
the heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call  
and all things cry 'Glory!' to God all in all.

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## **Offertory Hymn [437]**

Go forth and tell! O Church of God, awake!  
God's saving news to all the nations take;  
proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour, Lord, and King,  
that all the world his glorious praise may sing.

Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all;  
he will in grace respond to all who call:  
how shall they call if they have never heard  
the gracious invitation of his word?

Go forth and tell! The doors are open wide:  
share God's good gifts, let no one be denied;  
live out your life as Christ your Lord shall choose,  
your ransomed powers for his sole glory use.

Go forth and tell! O Church of God, arise!  
Go in the strength which Christ your Lord supplies;  
go till all nations his great name adore  
and serve him, Lord and King for evermore.

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***Please stay for coffee  
and a chat after the service!***



All those whom we know that are sick, lonely or troubled, those recently bereaved and church family members and residents in local nursing & care homes whom Muriel and the pastoral team visit.

*Please also remember in your prayers all those affected by the recent flooding in this country, as well as abroad, including South America and Australia, many of whom are known to us.*



Many thanks to all who come along to support our 'Open Church' days throughout the week, and especially to our fundraising Mission coffee mornings each Wednesday, when we welcome donations for the many missions we support.

## **Parish Magazine**

Please continue to send us items to include – these can be recipes [family recipes, not those taken directly from any published book], clean, funny jokes, items of interest about people or places and poetry, or indeed, anything you think people will enjoy reading. *Janine and Ann P*



## **Please note!**

Canon Muriel's Bible Study Group takes place on every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in the month. *For any further details, please contact her on 01903 214476*



## **Rainbow Poetry group**

We next meet on **19<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 2.30pm** in the Organ vestry, when the topic will be 'Solitude'  
**Bring any poem of your own, if you care to.**

***Admission Free***

**Please enquire for similar meetings in Brighton and Shoreham.**

# **Coffee Ministry!**

*Christ Church is open all through the week for everyone to pop in for a chat and a coffee. We would really appreciate some more help with this. You wouldn't necessarily have to make coffee or tea, but in most cases, just sitting and chatting in the morning or afternoon would be so helpful. Of course, if you are able to make the odd hot drink, that would be great also!!*

*We are open every Tuesday and Wednesday morning from 10.30am to 12 noon, from 2.30 to 4pm on a Thursday afternoon and from 10.30am to 12 noon every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday. Please let Ken or Di know if you can help*



## **LENT LUNCHES**

Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> February and  
Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> March 2020 from 12 noon to 1.30pm,  
serving a choice of Soup, Filled Roll and Butter, and  
Fruit, followed by Tea or Coffee.

*Suggested donation of £5 for MIND*



**We look forward to your support!**

## LENT COURSE

David will be leading a Lent Course to be held from **3<sup>rd</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> March on Tuesdays from 11am for an hour in the organ vestry.**



Based on the Apostle Paul's letter to the Colossians, "*A Letter for Lent*" is an easy to follow Bible study course. Hung on a framework of letter writing, the author examines topics such as encouraging each other in our faith, getting to know God better, taking on God's family likeness, and qualities which we should aspire to. *All are welcome, no matter where you are in your journey of faith.*

### Keeping in Touch:

Christ Church operates a taxi service for those who find it difficult to get to church on a Sunday or throughout the week. If you would like to use the service, please talk with Joan, Sylvia or Lorraine. **You do not then have to pay the driver. This is not dependent in any way on ability to pay;** this is to help people get to church without worrying. If people feel they would like to contribute towards the cost of the fares, they merely place their donation in a Gift Aid envelope, marked '**Taxi**'.



## PASTORAL NEWS:

### Pastoral Team

*Christ Church has a team of people whose task it is to ensure we keep in contact with all those who are not able to come to church, either because they are housebound or because of some temporary incapacity. They can arrange for Holy Communion to be administered occasionally in their homes. We also ensure they are kept up to date with Church Family news.*

*The Pastoral team are: Joan P, Lorraine R & Sylvia A.*

### Welcome Cards:



These cards are in every pew. If you have a spiritual concern that you would like to talk with a member of clergy about,

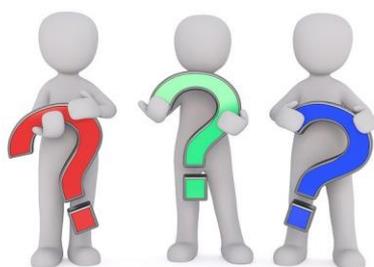
please feel free to complete one and hand to the Vicar, or other member of clergy. This could be a personal matter, or relating to someone else. The member of clergy will then be in contact with you to chat through your concerns. If you can't find someone to hand the card to, place it in an envelope and either post in the office letterbox or hand to the Churchwardens or administrator, addressed to the clergy, and it will be passed directly to them in confidence.

## VOLUNTEER CO-ORDINATOR

Christ Church is blessed with many church family members who volunteer to help with numerous tasks within the church, throughout the week and on Sundays. We value everyone who makes a contribution in this way, and so the PCC have appointed a Volunteer Coordinator, Karen, who will be able to advise and help all those who volunteer, or indeed, wish to do so. She can signpost you to appropriate people, or help you to decide what you would like to do to help. Please have a chat with her during the week, or on a Sunday after a service.

### Enquirer's Group....

Would you like to explore what faith is, and how it fits into your life? Are you somebody who has been going to church a long time, and would like to re-connect with your faith? Are you a complete 'newbe' to church..... this could be for you! David is planning 10 to 12 sessions that you may find helpful. There is no pressure, no requirement as to where you are in your journey, this is for everyone who would like to come along.



**Please would you let David know your name and contact details, and which days and times suit you best. He will then try and accommodate as many as possible.**

## **CHRIST CHURCH PRAYER NET**

We support those who ask for our prayers with our '**Prayer Net**'. We are known as the 'Fishermen's church' and so our tool for prayer is a Fishing Net, hung along the front of the choir pew in the chancel on the Pulpit side of Church.



There is a table in the chancel with a card explaining the purpose of the Fishing Net, a bowl containing fish with a hook attached and pens. We invite folk to write any prayer requests on a fish and hang it on the net. Requests should be brief and not give away any information that is confidential so should only include a Christian name and a brief nature of the prayer request.

During our fortnightly Thursday Communion Service, the fish are taken off the net and placed in a basket and presented as part of our intercessions for the Church and God's World. The fish are then destroyed, and we start again in a cycle of prayer and support for those who ask us to pray with them or for them.

This net is there for us all to use, as an aid to praying for the needs of the world, situations, people, and world events. Please remember the prayer requests written on the fish; and those who have written them, and offer them silently to God in prayer.

Could I also encourage those who lead our intercessions on a Sunday to include the Fish in the Fishing Net in our Sunday intercessions?

*Thank you, DAVID – Vicar*

# ***DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!***

**Tuesday 21st April 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

Martin Smith [Euphonium] and Chris Coote [piano]

**Tuesday 5th May 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

Yoko Ono Piano recital

**Tuesday 2nd June 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

John Rattenbury, Guitar and Ivana, Cello

**Tuesday 16th June 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

John Collins Organ recital

**Tuesday 22nd September 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

Richard Bowen classical guitar recital

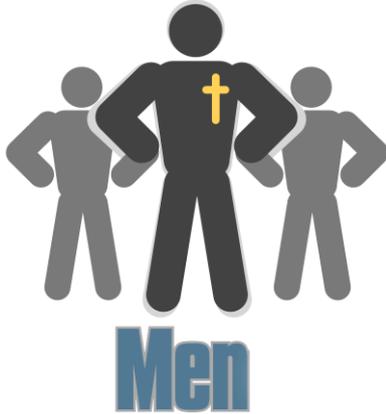
**Tuesday 13th October 2020 12.30pm – 1.30pm**

Rob Campkin [Violin] and James Buckham [piano]



# Worthing Christ Church Men's Group –

## April Meeting



The next Men's Group get together will be held in Church starting at 0930 on Saturday 4 April when our speaker will be David White talking on "Reaching Out to the Poor". This is an

opportunity to share a light breakfast and meet up with men of the Parish. For catering purposes (and any dietary requirements) if you would like to come along please email return this chit to me or to Tony S in Church by 29 March. Please also let me know if you have any accessibility concerns that we need to take account of to ensure maximum participation for you.

Regards, John H

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I will be attending on the day.

Contact phone/email:

Comments:.....