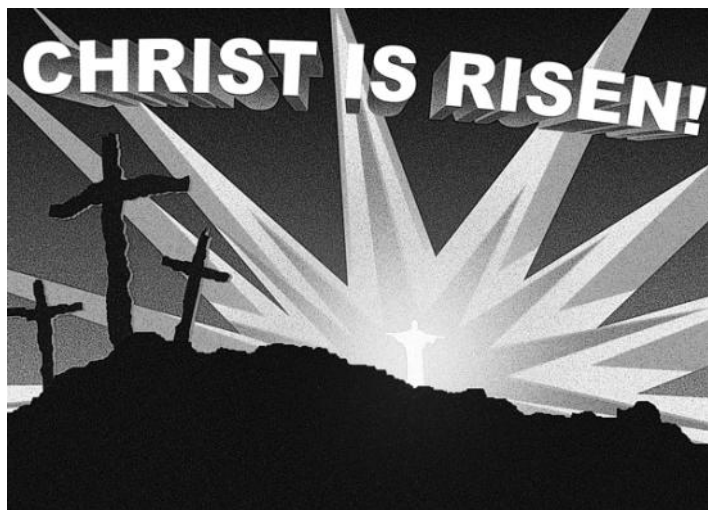




CHRIST CHURCH URC

Chase Side, Enfield

Minister: Rev David Atkinson



**Christ Church Annual General Meeting
Sunday 3rd April 2011
12.30pm in the Church**

April 2011

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

- 11.00am Morning Worship
(Holy Communion - first Sunday)
(Family Parade Service - third Sunday)
- 11.00am Adventurers
- 12.30pm Church Meeting *Bi-monthly - see diary*

MONDAY

- 6.00pm - 7.30pm Anchor Boys (5-8 years)
- 6.00pm - 7.30pm Junior Section (8-11 years)
- 7.30pm - 9.30pm Company Section (11-15 years)
- 7.30pm - 9.30pm Seniors (15-18 years)

WEDNESDAY

- 9.45am - 11.30am Combined Bible Study
at Lancaster Road URC *Twice monthly - see diary*
- 2.15pm Friendship Club *Twice monthly - see diary*

FRIDAY

- 5.00pm - 6.15pm Rainbows (5-7 years)
- 6.00pm - 7.30pm Brownies (7-10 years)
- 7.30pm - 9.00pm Guides (10-14 years)
- 7.30pm - 9.00pm Rangers (14-20 years)

VARIOUS DAYS

- 8.00pm Elders Meeting *Bi-monthly - see diary*

MINISTER'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

At the end of February Graham Carlisle and I had a walk in the countryside just north of Hertford which included walking by the River Beane and through the pretty village of Chapmore End. We saw several large and small clumps of snowdrops which were a delightful sight.

As I write this letter in March crocuses, tulips and daffodils are blooming in my own garden and I am enjoying the beautiful bright flowers. We've had a harder winter than usual, especially with the cold and snow at the end of November and during December. But the spring flowers have nevertheless come through and shown new life.

March marks the end of winter and the beginning of spring. The weather becomes warmer, the daylight lengthens and nature begins to show its new life.

Every spring we remember the suffering and death of our Lord Jesus Christ in Holy Week followed by his glorious resurrection on Easter Day which this year is on Sunday, 24th April. Jesus's enemies had thought they had got rid of him when they crucified him. But God raised Jesus from the dead to a new resurrection life.

The great thing is that in Christ we too can share in this new life. This is the heart of the Christian Gospel: new life in Christ. May Christ help us to put behind us all that demeans and spoils our lives.

May Christ give us that new life which centres on wholehearted love for God and true love for our fellow human beings.

May the new life of Easter be with you all throughout the year.
David.

NEWS OF THE FELLOWSHIP

Stephen Gilbert had a short stay in Chase Farm Hospital at the end of February.

Let us remember all our church fellowship in our prayers and caring. David.

Lenten Offering

Please use the attached envelope if you would like to make a Lenten gift. Place the envelope containing your gift in the collection bag (or return to David Fisher 020 8482 4610)

LUNCHTIME @ CHRIST CHURCH **SATURDAY 12TH MARCH 2011**

Many thanks to all those who came to help at our Lunchtime @ Christ Church and made it such an enjoyable and social occasion. Particular thanks to Maureen and Kathy for the delicious hot lunches they provided –and to Brian Page who entertained us with an organ recital of popular songs

Easter at Christ Church URC

Thursday 21st April (8.00pm)
Maundy Thursday Service
(at Lancaster Road URC)

Friday 22nd April (10.30am)
Procession of Witness from Chase Green
and Ecumenical Good Friday Service
(11.00am at St Andrew's Church)

Saturday 23rd April
Lunchtime@ChristChurch
Hot lunches available and a time
of fellowship
11-2pm

Sunday 24th April (11.00am)
Easter Sunday Service (led by Rev David
Atkinson, including Holy Communion with
an offering for Shanthigramam)

You are all very welcome to join us for these
events and any of our regular Sunday
services and other events

Shanthigramam

The communion offering on Easter Day will be sent to Shanthigramam, a home for disabled leprosy patients in south India

Christ Church has supported this home for many years as our former minister, the Rev. Joe Pratt was very involved in its founding.

The pictures show the secretary and warden with a plaque dedicated by Joe Pratt, and a group of people who live in Shanthigramam.

The Easter Day communion offering will be put to very good use.



Girl Guides Fairy Party



Over 80 children attended the fantastic fairy party which was organised by the Rangers. The evening had games, a disco, plenty of cakes for all and the hall was decorated beautifully. Everyone dressed up so the selection of fairies was varied—season, white, jazz, punk and many other types of fairies were there as you can see from the group photo above.



MINISTER'S REPORT 2011

I begin my annual report by thanking all those people who have worked hard for Christ Church over this last year. My thanks to our Church Secretary Stephen Gilbert, Church Treasurer David Fisher, the Elders, the leaders of the youth organisations and all who have given time and service to Christ Church.

I also thank our Church Secretary Stephen Gilbert for his personal friendship and support for me and I thank the many others who have given me friendship. It is appreciated.

In the last year or two Christ Church has tried a few new events to serve the local community, attract people to Christ Church and share the Christian faith. Generally these events have been well received and well supported. They include the Holiday at Home events in June 2010 and March 2011, the Christ Church Open Day in September 2010, the Lunch Times at Christ Church which have taken place on several occasions and the Christianity Explored course. Our thanks to all who have organised, led and supported these events.

May the love and guidance of God be with you all. David

March Newsletter—correction

Unfortunately an error was made in the Guide Association World Thinking Day article in the March 2011 edition of the Church newsletter. The winner of the Super Brownie award was in fact Anna Rayson, not Amber as stated in the newsletter. Our thanks to Kathy for spotting this, and our apologies to Anna and Amber for the mistake!

The Friendship Club 2010

The club meets on a Wednesday fortnightly intervals, usually during term time.

In 2010, 16 meetings were held, with an average attendance of 12 members. We were very sorry that Mary Smart, a long standing member, died in July.

Each meeting opens with a Bible reading and a prayer, followed by an invited speaker. Topics included.

Mission Aviation Fellowship
Enfield in the Second World War
Slides of Oberammergau

The meeting ends with tea and biscuits and an opportunity for members to talk with one another.

In the summer members met at Forty Hall for lunch and tea, with a talk about history of Forty Hall given by a member of staff.

Everyone is welcome to attend some or all of the meetings on Wednesdays at 2.15 in the church hall.

Lily Smith

The Friendship Club

The Friendship Club continues to meet on alternate Wednesdays at 2.15pm in the Church hall, and we warmly invite members to join us.

6th April

A devotional meeting 'Towards Easter' with Rev Jackie Fish

Easter Holidays

Opening Summer meeting on May 4th Mr Terry Silvey

May 18th

A slide programme 'On my travels' with Mrs Brenda Brown

We warmly welcome friends to join us at any meeting.
Please see Lily Smith

God is our refuge and strength. (Psalm 46)

3rd Enfield Boys' Brigade Annual Report for 2010

It has once again been a very busy year for the 3rd Enfield, with a packed calendar throughout 2010. At the end of the year, membership stood at 4 Anchor Boys, 14 Junior Section, 9 Company Section/Seniors and 4 members of staff.

All sections have continued to meet weekly during term times on Monday nights, with a varied programme of activities for all sections that includes games, sports, arts/crafts, cooking, and much more. All of the activities we do fit into a programme of badgework specific to each section, and there is a regular emphasis on teaching about the Christian faith. A number of awards were given to all boys during the year, and in the course of 2010 Jack Tulley gained the Gold Badge (the highest award in the Junior Section) and Christian Collins-O'Connor gained the President's Badge, which is the second highest award in the entire BB.

As well as our regular activities on Monday nights, boys in the Company Section and Seniors were able to enjoy a very different summer programme to usual, as we joined with our friends from the 10th Enfield for some activities. Monday nights in May and June saw us going to Top Golf, rifle shooting, doing a low ropes course, and much more! In June, members of the 3rd's Junior Section took part in the Enfield Battalion Junior Section Weekend Camp at Felden Lodge, and in July members of Company Section and Seniors joined with the 10th Enfield BB and 1st Winchmore Hill GB for our annual summer camp which took place in Sheringham in Norfolk. Both events were packed full of activities and were thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

During 2010 we also took part in a number of special events. In February, a trip to Wembley Stadium was arranged which was attended by nearly every boy in the Company. In July, Enfield Battalion held a special Life 2 the Max fun day at Oasis Academy Enfield, and in December the boys were let loose on the Enfield Town Ice Rink! Special events like these are always very enjoyable, and we look forward to many more in the future.

The Company continues to be active at both Enfield Battalion and London District level. Although we didn't enter many competitions in 2010, we took part in various Enfield Battalion football competitions with the 10th Enfield, and entered the London District Devonshire Cup (band competition) with the 1st Enfield. Other events included London District's Beating Retreat at the Royal Chelsea Hospital, various events with the London Massed Bugle Band (including the London Marathon and Lord Mayor's Show), the annual Enfield Battalion Church Parade at Ponders End URC (12th Enfield) on 21st March and the Remembrance Sunday Parade on 14th November. The 3rd was also involved with the Battalion's involvement at the Enfield Town Show in September, both performing in the band and operating the promotional stand in the Town Park. At national level, 3rd Enfield members once again took part in Firm Foundations, an annual Christian festival run jointly by the BB and GB and held at Felden Lodge.

Our annual Company Display took place on 17th May in the Church hall. A number of items were put on for the watching audience, and in addition to the various awards and presentations, a new Company trophy was inaugurated: the Elsie Hart Centenary Cup is presented to the boy who wins our attendance competition each year, and therefore rewards commitment and dedication to the Company. The very first winner of this trophy was Jason Lissner. During this event, Sam Rowsell and Jamie Newport were both promoted to the rank of Staff Sergeant. On 3rd October, our Enrolment Service took place as part of the Family Service at Christ Church. This service was led by our Company Chaplain, Rev David Atkinson, and the boys were presented with their membership cards for 2010/2011.

This report just scratches the surface of what we do in the 3rd Enfield, and to go into greater detail could take many pages! We are very thankful to those who support our work: the parents, families and friends, the congregation at Christ Church, and most of all the boys themselves! We ask that you pray for the work that we do to advance Christ's Kingdom among boys.

Tom Boorman, Adrian Bullock, Sue Bullock and Andrew Clarke
3rd Enfield Boys' Brigade

Visit us online at www.3rdenfieldbb.co.uk. You can also raise money for us when you shop online – visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk/3rdebb for details

The 9th Enfield Rainbows

Tracy Rainbow - Guide Captain Mobile: 07971 171511

Rainbows Annual Report 2010

Rainbows had a really good year with lots of special centenary events;

9th Enfield's Centenary camp was held indoors at Tolmers and the Rainbows attend their first sleepover. This was a very exciting event with lots of daytime activities and then a huge campfire in the evening before stories at bedtime. All rainbows had a great time and for the majority it was the first time away from home so they did really well.

Centenary Celebration of Thinking Day at Tolmers was well attended along with an excellent trip to Paradise Park.

Outdoors was the theme of both the spring and summer term, where we tried to do as many active evening outside at the church, in the Town Park and at Tolmers. Walks, Scavenger hunts, Inflatables, Climbing, Archery were all greatly enjoyed. Towards the end of the summer term water sports sessions and picnics were the order of the day.

Fund raising this year took on a different theme with a Fast and Furious event at the church and lots of dads with and without fast cars. Rainbows bounced a lot of the evening on inflatables after the initial fast car ooh's and aaah's were over.

Autumn term was a madness of craft for harvest, cooking and even sewing, then after half term a mass of Christmas craft and preparation for our Christmas supper.

We had some great parties this year to say both "Hello" to new members and sad farewells to some of our older Rainbows going up to Brownies, but with the ever increasing number of new girls wanting to join the programme is working well.

Overall an outstanding year celebrating the centenary in style with many many special moments to remember.

Tracy Rainbow

9th Enfield Brownies

– End of year report 2010

We have maintained good numbers this year at around 10 – 14 in the pack throughout the year. We have a very young pack at the moment having lost a few of our elders members but have just taken on 6 young ones from Rainbows. We have 2 adult leaders (1 warranted and 1 unit helper) who run the Pack every Friday. Sadly Sylvia Morris has retired.

Throughout the year the Brownies enjoy playing games, singing songs and making things as well as attending Church Parade on a regular basis. We also get together with the Elders of the Church in arranging Coffee Mornings and Lunches which have been very successful this year.

We have had a busy year carrying on with our celebrations for the Girlguiding Centenary and a lot of our activities have reflected this.

We had Division Thinking Day activities at Tolmers Scout Camp along with the Guides and Rainbows which went very well even though it was cold.

We went to Paradise Park along with the Rainbows in March, again a Division event.

April brought the St Georges Day Parade through Enfield Town which is our annual event ending at the Enfield Grammar School.

We held a Skipathon with the Brownies in June to raise funds for our weekend at Tolmers Scout Camp, which was very successful thanks to all the brownies, families and friends.

In June we got together with 9th Enfield Rangers, Guides and Rainbows and had our own Centenary weekend at Tolmers Scout Camp which was a great success.

We had our own Brownie Picnic where the Brownies invited family and friends to the garden where we had refreshments and a bouncy castle. The Brownies also arranged some entertainment.

We had a BBQ along with the Guides, Rangers and Rainbows to finish off the summer term which was well attended by parents and friends.

And of course the Girlguiding Centenary Finale at Trafalgar Square was in October.

The end of the year as always culminates with the Christmas Bazaar and Nativity which some Brownies took part in. We also had an evening of entertainment and song to celebrate Christmas in the hall along with Rainbows, Guides and Rangers, families and friends.

**Kathy Brown – Brown Owl, 9th Enfield Brownies
20th February 2011**

9th Enfield Guides annual report Vicki Stratton - Guide Captain

A n n u a l r e p o r t f o r 2 0 1 0

The Guides have had the most amazing year celebrating 100 years of Guiding. We did many different activities indoors and outdoors. We spent the beginning of the year fundraising to help fund the events we wanted to attend.

We started the year doing lots of craft, including card making, friendship bracelets, painting and badge making which was enjoyed by all.

We then had a joint 9th camp where many of the Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers attended. We held it at Tolmers and spent the weekend doing many activities, craft, campfires and a massive 9th BBQ which was attended by old 9th members and friends. The weekend was a great success and enjoyed by all ages. We are hoping to do this again soon.

After more fundraising we were ready for a great week at summer camp which was well attended. We spent the week at Tolmers doing lots of new activities that many of the Guides hadn't done before like water zorbing, climbing, abseiling, archery and fire lighting. The week was specially aimed at guiding to celebrate the centenary so we made many new guiding friends.

We came back from summer camp and got ready to bring a close to the centenary year by going to join many guides in Trafalgar square on the 20.10.2010. We had a great night getting a coach from Enfield and turning up to find hundreds of other Guides already there. We had a great night singing and dancing and celebrating the great year we had. We renewed our promise at 20.10 and all enjoyed being part of such a big event.

Guides then celebrated Christmas with a trip to a panto and a trip in to London to Winter Wonderland and to do some shopping in Hamleys. We had a great time although we all came home very tired. We then had the 9th annual Christmas supper which was well attended and enjoyed by all. All the groups provided entertainment which made the event great.

The Guides had a brilliant year and definitely will remember celebrating the centenary year for many years to come.

We have started 2011 with doing some badge work, we also enjoyed welcoming 3 new Guides to our group. We have a fun packed program ready and are looking forward to many more trips out.

Vicki Stratton

The 9th Enfield Ranger Company

Tracy Rainbow – Ranger Leader

Annual Report 2010

Rangers had a stress-free year with a very relaxed and flexible programme. Numbers were down to just four members by the Easter term so this did limit the amount of activities and funds available. However the centenary was celebrated in good form with;

Thinking Day at Tolmers – excellent activities

9th Enfield Centenary camp – Rangers acted as leaders helping with the Rainbow sleepover

Summer camp – revisiting the history of Guiding and traditional camping skills

Prelude camp – fantastic festival of lights floating tea lights on the lake at Tolmers

An unbelievable year where they attended so much and achieved so many new skills – a lot of leadership training took place throughout the year with both the rainbow and brownies section participating as additional help and leaders were always required.

Autumn term took on a new theme with less leadership and more activities for themselves, cooking, nail art, games and various more detailed and complex craft. This gave us quite a lot of time for thinking and to discuss the future.

January 2011 will bring new Rangers coming up from Guides and the plans are already in place to give them a good welcome and hopefully a broad range of activities as always.

Overall an exceptional year of work with a lot of outdoor activities. Not so much folder work but a lot of joint work with the Guides and a few future leaders are showing their heads, which will put us in a good place with skilled and experience leaders for the future.

Mrs T J Rainbow

REPORT FOR WORSHIP GROUP 2010

The Worship Group has had nine meetings over the past year and organized twelve services, including two Breakfast Services, Mothering Sunday, Easter Day, Remembrance Sunday and the Christmas Nativity.

The Group continues to prepare the weekly prayer requests. If you would like someone or some event to be included in these, please contact Rosemary Milns.

Our Mission spots in services have included the charity Bridge of Hope and Child Sponsorship.

We have been pleased to welcome Philip Taylor to the Group and also to have the help of the two TLS students who have been attached to the Church during the year, Keith Berry and Evodian Fonyonga. Thank you to all the members of the Group for their involvement and contributions and also to everyone who has assisted with and taken part in services over the year.

Rosemary Milns

ADVENTURERS/JUNIOR CHURCH 2010/11

In September 2010 Junior Church changed its name to "Adventurers". Adventurers is a group for boys and girls aged three upwards. Each week we travel into the Bible on a journey of discovery to hear stories of amazing adventures. Sessions can include games, drama, cooking, craft activities, plus lots more. The Group meets weekly on a Sunday morning at 11.00 a.m., during term time. New members are always welcome.

Following the Mission Spot in Church on sponsoring a child abroad, we have decided to support a child in another country. Details of how we are progressing with this will appear in the Church Magazine.

Kate Crook and Sonia Meggie have now joined the team of helpers who assist me on a rota basis. I am very grateful to all the team for their help and support.

Rosemary Milns

VISION GROUP 2010

The Vision group came into being after the June 2009 Church Meeting, in order to look into ways that the Church could develop its role in the local Community and grow the Church congregation.

Regular events have been arranged in the Church for Saturdays, occurring roughly once a month. These have included a jazz concert; a Historic Churches guided tour day, which was combined with St Mary Magdalene; an Open Day; and five lunchtime events. Excellent lunches, both hot and cold have been provided by Maureen and Kathy. Thanks also to Brian Page from Lancaster Road and Martyn Stogden, (with and without various bands), who have come to play for us on a number of occasions. The Saturday events have become a friendly, informal, social occasion when friends, both old and new, can join together to relax and have a chat.

The Christianity Explored course run by our Minister, David, in 2010, was well supported. The last four sessions of this were completed this year and covered the Church; the Holy Spirit, prayer and the Bible. It is intended to continue the meetings after Easter, this time following the "Discipleship Explored" course.

The Holiday at Home weekend for older folk— like a holiday club for grown ups – in June went well and is to be repeated at the end of March. 2011.

A youth event is being organised by the Youth Leaders and is planned for the weekend of 14th/15th May.

Other ideas are still in the course of development, but any suggestions are welcome.

Rosemary Milns

Prayer Diary for April

1st	Pray for the Rainbows and Brownies, who are meeting this evening
2nd	Pray for Japan following the devastating earthquake and tsunami
3rd	Pray for all Mothers as we celebrate Mothering Sunday, and for our Church AGM which takes place following the service
4th	Pray for the Boys' Brigade groups as they meet tonight
5th	Pray for the external groups that hire our premises
6th	Pray for the Friendship Club and for Rev Jackie Fish, who is speaking to the group today
7th	Pray for a peaceful end to conflicts around the world
8th	Pray for the Guides and Rangers as they meet tonight
9th	Give thanks to God for our friends and families
10th	Pray for the Adventurers as they meet during our service today
11th	Pray for all children and young people today as the Easter Holidays start
12th	Pray that Christ Church may continue to grow and develop and that God will always guide us
13th	Pray for the Joint Bible Study Group, who are meeting this morning at Lancaster Road
14th	Pray for those who are travelling to Spring Harvest today
15th	Give thanks to God for all those who lead us in worship at Christ Church
16th	Pray for our friends from the Pure Word Healing Ministries
17th	Pray for the London Massed Bugle Band as they perform at the London Marathon and pray also for those taking part in the St George's Day parade in Enfield today
18th	Pray for our Church Elders and ask God to guide the decisions that they make
19th	Pray for those who are mourning the loss of loved ones
20th	Pray for those who travel to other countries to share the Word of God
21st	Pray for God's presence at the Maundy Thursday Service at Lancaster Road URC tonight
22nd	Give thanks for the sacrifice made by our Saviour, Jesus Christ
23rd	Pray for our Lunchtime @ Christ Church which takes place in the Church today

24th	Hail the risen King!
25th	Pray for all those who are enjoying the Bank Holiday today
26th	Pray for those who are unable to come to Church through ill health
27th	Pray for Christians around the world who face oppression for their beliefs
28th	Pray for the North London People's Orchestra as they hold their launch night tonight
29th	Pray for Prince William and Kate Middleton as the Royal Wedding takes place today
30th	Pray for our youth leaders and that the young people in the Church may come to know more about Jesus

On the previous page and above you will see a new feature to the Christ Church newsletter, a Prayer Diary. There is a different item for every day of the month - if you pray daily, please consider including these each time.

If you have anything that you would like included in a future prayer diary, or if there is something you would like us to pray for (for example during our services), then a new way of letting us know has been set up. Please email your prayer requests to prayer@ccurc.org.uk and these can be included.

Listen online...

**Missed a service, or just want to hear a talk again?
Recordings from our Sunday services are being made
available on the Christ Church website**

**Check out the "Downloads" page to find recordings of
the all age talks and sermons - simply find the one you
want, click the link and you can
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May Church Diary

Sun 1st	11am	Mr Les Moody Holly Communion for Lancaster Road URC Special supper Ministry Duty Elder - Pamela Mansley
Wed 4th	2.15pm	Friendship Club Mr Terry Silvey
Sun 8th	11am	Mr Les Moody Duty Elder—Stephen Gilbert
Wed 11th	9.45 - 11.30am	Joint Bible Study with Lancaster Road at Lancaster Road URC

Advance dates for 2011

Church Meetings

12.30pm

3rd April (AGM)

5th June

11th September (please note
change of date from 4th)

6th November

Elders Meetings

8pm

Dates to be announced

Thames North Synod

Meetings

12th March

Christ Church Youth Weekend

14th to 15th May

3rd Enfield Boys' Brigade Annual Display

16th May

**** Adventurers ****

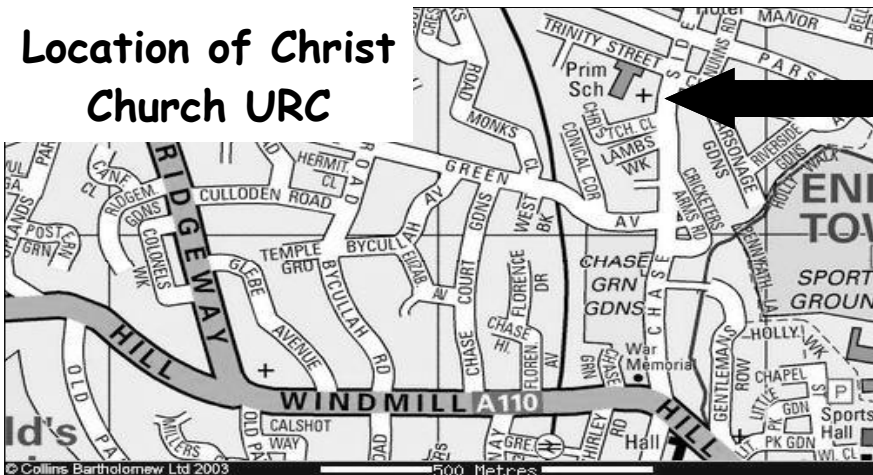
WHAT: Adventurers are a group for boys and girls aged three upwards. They meet for games, drama, craft activities and fun, based on a Bible theme

WHEN: Sunday mornings from 11am to 12 noon

WHERE: Adventurers meet in the Church hall

If you are interested in coming or would like further details please contact Rosemary Milns (020 8363 6571)

Location of Christ Church URC



Articles intended for inclusion in the **May** issue should reach the Editor by the **second Sunday of April**

Please contact Pamela Fisher with any items to be included in future issues. Items can be received either in paper form at Sunday worship or by email.

Phone 020 8482 4610 A/M please leave a message