

CHRIST CHURCH URC

Chase Side, Enfield



Minister:
Rev David Atkinson

**“Enter to worship,
depart to serve”**

July/August 2011

**Trust in
JESUS**

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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,

One of my leisure pursuits is reading and I am usually in the process of reading a novel, biography or autobiography. In recent years one of my favourite authors has been Ken Follett and I have read most of his books. I began with "The Key to Rebecca" and then gradually read his other novels. But one book I deliberately avoided was "The Pillars of the Earth" because with 1076 pages it is two or three times as long as most of the books I read. Books with more than 600 pages tend to deter me and even more so if they have over 1000 pages!

However, I decided to take up the challenge of reading "The Pillars of the Earth" on my recent holiday in the Lake District. I felt I would have more time to read and so this was a good opportunity to tackle a book with over 1000 pages.

Fortunately I wasn't disappointed. I thoroughly enjoyed Ken Follett's epic novel set in 12th century England and centred on building a cathedral. It is a good story with good characters and gives interesting information about the lives, social structure, religion and politics of the 12th century. The way some of the powerful and wealthy sometimes treat the ordinary people is appalling. Life was far harder than it is today. It makes you very grateful for the plentiful food, clothing, homes, health care and education that we have at our disposal today.

So I am glad I took up the challenge of reading "The Pillars of the Earth". Sincerely trying to live the Christian life is also a challenge. Anyone who says being a Christian is easy cannot really have tried it! Consider just a few of Jesus's teachings:

"Love your enemies , bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for your persecutors and those who treat you spitefully" (Matthew 5: 44)

Peter asked Jesus, “Lord, how often am I to forgive my brother if he goes on wronging me? As many as seven times?” Jesus replied, “I do not say seven times; I say seventy times seven.” (Matthew 18:21-22)

Jesus said to the people and his disciples, “Anyone who wishes to be a follower of mine must leave self behind; he must take up his cross, and come with me” (Mark 8:34).

Recently I received a very challenging letter from “Depaul UK Nightstop London”. This charity helps homeless young people by providing emergency accommodation in the homes of volunteers on a one-night-at-a-time basis. They offer to talk about their work and ask for volunteers. The charity’s patron is Archbishop Vincent Nicols and president is Sir Trevor McDonald. Now this is a challenge! If anyone wants to know more about it please contact me.

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

NEWS OF THE FELLOWSHIP

Our June Church Meeting was very pleased to accept Kate Crook as a new church member.

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

Mission Statement

Christ Church URC aims to provide through its worship, work, witness and mission an effective contribution to the spiritual and social welfare of the Church family and the wider community.

christ church urc, chase side, enfield

lunchtime christ church

when? saturday 9th july 2011

11:00am until 2:00pm

where? in the church and church grounds

**what's on? lunches, refreshments, musical
entertainment and a time of fellowship**

together - all are welcome!

Songs of Praise Service

Sunday 10th July 2011 at 11:00am in the Church

**The Worship Group invites you to our Songs of Praise Service,
where we will be singing a number of favourite songs selected by
members of the congregation. Everyone is very welcome to join us**

website: www.ccurc.org.uk

The Friendship Club

The Friendship Club continues to meet on alternate Wednesdays at 2.15pm in the Church hall. We warmly welcome everyone to our friendly meetings.

A very enjoyable lunch was served on 15th June to 16 members and friends at The Plough in Crews Hill. We do thank Marion Wiley for arranging this meal and standing in for Lily Smith.

The next meetings are on:

29th June

Pauline Treen will take about the latest developments at the North London Hospice

13th July

Rev Amanda James will speak to us (this is the last meeting of the summer session)

We wish all our members and friends a happy summer holiday and we meet again in September.

Opening meeting

21st September

Miss Irene Williams from The Salvation Army

“The Lord is good to them that wait for Him, who hope in His mercy.” (Psalm 147:11)

For more information contact Lily Smith on 020 8363 3788.

christ church urc and four hills music present...



north london brass

and

north london big band

live in concert at christ church urc

(in the main church building - located on chase side, enfield, en2 6nj)

date: wednesday 21st september 2011

start time: 7:45pm, admission: free

everyone is warmly invited to join us for a fantastic evening of brass band music from north london brass (enfield & muswell hill bands) and jazz from the north london big band

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3rd Enfield Boys' Brigade - summer update

Following our Display in May we have moved into the summer part of the session, which is a very busy time for us! Over the last couple of weeks the Anchor Boys and Junior Section have been able to take part in loads of games, both at local parks and in the hall, and the Company Section and Seniors have had a games night and a video/pizza evening. Coming up in the next few weeks we have activities such as a World Records evening and raft building!

At the end of the session, from 23rd to 30th July, we will be joining with our friends from the 10th Enfield BB on our summer camp. This year we are going to Jersey for what is sure to be a great week!

On Saturday 18th June, the North London Zone Athletics competition took place at Pickets Lock Stadium. There was an event for Junior Section and one for Company Section/Seniors. The 3rd Enfield entered the Junior Section competition and despite only having two boys came a very good 4th in the Enfield Battalion competition and 6th in the North London Zone competition. Well done to Alex and Caspian!

Our last Monday meeting of our 2010/2011 session will be our summer BBQ on 11th July from 6:00pm in the Church garden. Our friends from Christ Church are welcome to come along for some food!

Some photos from recent events can be seen on the next page...



Games nights on Monday evenings in the Church hall



Taking part in the North London Zone Athletics competition at Pickets Lock Stadium





From Friday 27th to Monday 30th May, the BB/GB's annual Firm Foundations festival took place at Felden Lodge. Check out some photos from the amazing weekend...



Find out more on the website - www.firm-foundations.org.uk

A quiz for the summer weeks...

All of the following are sayings or phrases, but can you work out what they say?

For example, 4 K in a P of C is 4 Kings in a pack of cards

Here are some more for you to work out! The answers will be in the September newsletter

39 B in the O T

90 D in a R A

11 P in a F T

13 in a B D

26 L of the A

1 W on a U

1 in a M

2 of a K

2 P in a P

18 H on a G C

12 D of J

27 B in the N T

100 P in a P

26 April 2011

Revd David Atkinson
Christ Church United Reformed Church,
Chase Side,
Enfield
EN2 6NB

Dear Revd David Atkinson,

Can you help?

We need new volunteer hosts to help prevent youth homelessness. Nightstop London helps homeless young people by providing emergency accommodation in the homes of volunteers on a one-night-at-a-time basis. This can help prevent them from slipping into the cycle of homelessness.

We are in need of new hosts in Bromley. Would be possible to place a poster and some leaflets in your building where members of your local community would see it, such as a notice board or in a newsletter?

I would also like to be able to give a talk or hold a volunteer recruitment event at your establishment, as the best way contact new people is by talking to them face to face.

Every year hundreds of young people across London fall victim to homelessness. Many young people find themselves homeless through no fault of their own, often left to sleep on park benches or under bridges as a result of family breakdown or domestic abuse. This service relies on the good will of local people to help meet the needs of vulnerable young people within our community. Our volunteers are ordinary people, who have spare rooms and a desire to help prevent homelessness. Our current hosts find it a rewarding and positive experience.

I have enclosed a sample leaflet for your consideration. If it would be possible to place a poster or advert with your organisation or hold a talk, please contact me (details at top of letter).

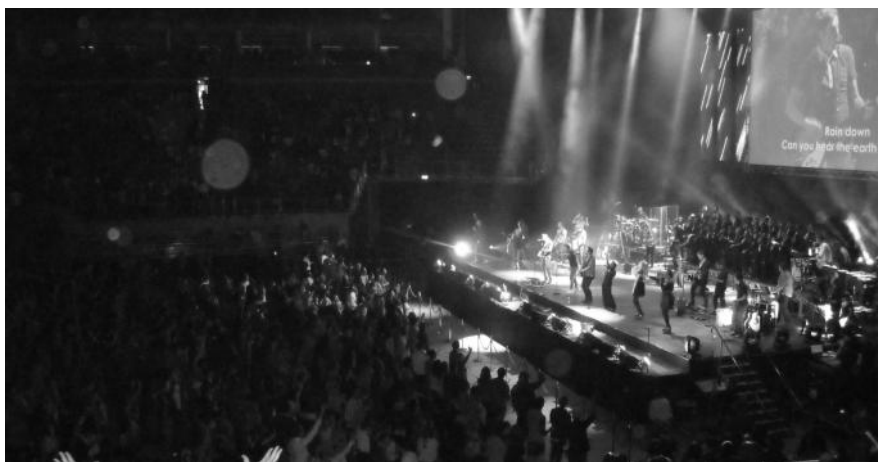
Yours Sincerely

Lydia Morgan

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Pentecost celebration at the O2 Arena

The Pentecost Festival is a yearly collection of events that take place throughout London in the run up to Pentecost Sunday itself. In 2011, 74 events took place, the largest of which was an evening celebration at the O2 Arena hosted by three Churches - Holy Trinity Brompton, Hillsong London and Jesus House. The event was attended by over 16000 people and included times of worship led by various worship leaders, speakers and a time where the Holy Spirit was invited to come upon everyone present. The event was a fantastic and enjoyable evening where the presence of God was very strong. It is planned that there will be an event in 2012 with details to be confirmed...





**Holiday Bible Week
1st to 5th August 2011
Edmonton County School
(Cambridge Campus)
“Razzamatazz Robots”**

Holiday Bible Week (HBW) provides an annual event in the summer for children aged 5 to 11 years in the Enfield area. The purpose of the event is to introduce children to Jesus in a relevant, contemporary way, in a safe and secure environment.

The event is now in its fifth year and is taking place at Edmonton County School (Cambridge Campus - formerly the Upper School) from Monday 1st to Friday 5th August. The theme is “Razzamatazz Robots”.

The event regularly attracts over 250 children from Churches all over the local area for an action packed week of fun, games, arts, crafts, worship, challenges and much more.

HBW is a fantastic week for the children involved. It relies on a group of leaders who give up their time to make the event happen and receives no grants - it relies entirely on fundraising events and donations.

For more information about the event and registering for it, please visit www.holidaybibleweek.com

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 then listen to the whole talk!

Visit our website to find out more

www.ccurc.org.uk

Lancaster Road United Reformed Church Enfield

LANCASTER ROAD CHURCH WEEKEND

Lancaster Road United Reformed Church is arranging a Church Weekend at High Leigh Conference Centre, Hoddesdon from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon 21st - 23rd October 2011. The price for en-suite accommodation including all meals from Friday dinner to Sunday afternoon tea is £140.00.

Our theme is "Prayer and Devotional Life". Our guest speaker is the Reverend Elizabeth Welch, minister of Clapton Park and Dalston URC Hackney. Elizabeth was previously Moderator of the URC West Midlands Province and Moderator of the URC General Assembly. The weekend will be a mixture of Christian teaching and worship and time to relax and socialise.

We invite Christ Church URC to this event and very much hope some people will join us. We have booked 40 places. Further information is available from Rev David Atkinson.

There are still some places remaining for the event. If you are interested in booking a place or would like any further information, please contact David on 020 8363 4571.

Prayer Diary for July

1st	Pray for the Brownies as they meet this evening
2nd	Pray for Christians around the world who are being persecuted for their faith
3rd	Pray for David, our Minister, as he leads our Communion Service this morning
4th	Pray for the Anchor Boys and Junior Section as they meet today
5th	Pray for those who are out of work at the moment
6th	Pray for the Joint Bible Study Group with Lancaster Road URC
7th	Pray for the North London People's Orchestra as they continue to grow and build
8th	Pray for the Guides and Rangers, who are meeting this evening
9th	Pray for the Lunchtime @ Christ Church event taking place today
10th	Pray for this morning's Songs of Praise Service
11th	Pray for the 3rd Enfield BB as they hold their summer BBQ this evening
12th	Pray for our Church Elders
13th	Pray for the Friendship Club as they hold their final summer meeting today
14th	Pray for the external groups that use our Church hall
15th	Pray for the Rainbows as they meet this evening
16th	Give thanks to God for summer
17th	Pray for the Adventurers and that more children may join the group
18th	Pray for the work of the Christian Action Housing Association
19th	Pray for the Government and that they will make the right decisions for our country
20th	Pray for those who are mourning the loss of loved ones

21st	Pray for the NHS and all those who work for the organisation
22nd	Pray for all young people as the school summer holidays begin
23rd	Pray for the members of the 3rd Enfield BB who are going on their summer camp in Jersey for a week
24th	Pray from our friends from other Churches and that we may all continue to work together
25th	Pray for new parents
26th	Pray for the work of the United Reformed Church as a whole
27th	Pray for those involved in preparing for the 2012 Olympics, which start in a year from today
28th	Pray for peace on Earth
29th	Pray for our local community
30th	Pray for those enjoying a day of rest today
31st	Pray for those who are considering coming to faith in Christ

Prayer Diary for August

1st	Pray for Holiday Bible Week, starting today at Edmonton County School
2nd	Pray for the work of the various charities supported by Christ Church
3rd	Pray for newly married couples
4th	Give thanks for God's word through the Bible
5th	Pray for those who are experiencing financial difficulties
6th	Pray for the leaders of Holiday Bible Week as they start to recover!
7th	Give thanks for the sacrifice made by Jesus as we celebrate Communion today
8th	Pray for countries such as Libya where there is conflict
9th	Pray for missionaries who are doing God's work in other countries

10th	Pray for the work of Enfield Council
11th	Give thanks to God for our Church family
12th	Pray for those involved with the redecoration of our Church hall this month
13th	Pray for the continued presence of the Holy Spirit
14th	Pray for the Breakfast Service being led by The Worship Group today
15th	Give thanks to God for the beauty of His creation
16th	Pray for those who are enjoying holidays at the moment
17th	Pray for the Joint Bible Study Group with Lancaster Road URC
18th	Pray for those who are receiving exams results
19th	Pray for the national Girlguiding movement
20th	Pray for new Christians as they come to know more about Jesus
21st	Pray for those who are unable to come to Church those sickness or ill health
22nd	Pray for the work of The Boys' Brigade
23rd	Pray for the building work that is going to be taking place on the Church
24th	Pray for the young people in our Church family
25th	Pray for good weather for the upcoming Bank Holiday weekend
26th	Pray for those who are going to be travelling this weekend
27th	Pray for the staff of Chase Side Primary School as they plan for another school year
28th	Pray for all those coming to Church this morning
29th	Pray for today's Bank Holiday
30th	Pray for the leaders of the youth organisations as they prepare for the start of a new session
31st	Pray for those young people preparing to go back to school in the coming days

Church contacts

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July Church Diary

- Sun 3rd** **11am** **Rev David Atkinson**
Holy Communion - offering for the
Communion Fund
Duty Elder - Pamela Mansley
- Wed 6th** **9.45 -** **Joint Bible Study with Lancaster Road at**
11.30am **Lancaster Road URC**
- Sat** **11am -** **Lunchtime @ Christ Church**
9th **2pm**
- Sun 10th** **11am** **The Worship Group**
Songs of Praise Service
Duty Elder - Pamela Fisher
- Weds** **2.15pm** **Friendship Club**
13th **Rev Amanda James**
- Sun 17th** **11am** **Mrs Jill Nugent**
Duty Elder - Sylvia Coombs
- Wed 20th** **9.45 -** **Joint Bible Study with Lancaster Road at**
11.30am **Lancaster Road URC**
- Sun 24th** **11am** **Rev Agatha Baptiste**
Duty Elder - Pamela Mansley
- Sun 31st** **11am** **Mr Terry Silvey**
Duty Elder - Stephen Gilbert

August Church Diary

- Mon 1st - Fri 5th Holiday Bible Week 2011 at Edmonton County School (Cambridge Campus)
For children aged between 5 and 11
See www.holidaybibleweek.com for more information and how to register
- Wed 3rd 9.45 - 11.30am Joint Bible Study with Lancaster Road at Lancaster Road URC
- Sun 7th 11am Rev David Atkinson
Holy Communion - offering for the Communion Fund
Duty Elder - Pamela Fisher**
- Sun 14th 10.30am The Worship Group
Breakfast Service
Duty Elder - Sylvia Coombs**
- Wed 17th 9.45 - 11.30am Joint Bible Study with Lancaster Road at Lancaster Road URC
- Sun 21st 11am Rev David Atkinson
Duty Elder - Pamela Mansley**
- Sun 28th 11am Mr Terry Silvey
Duty Elder - Stephen Gilbert**
- Wed 31st 9.45 - 11.30am Joint Bible Study with Lancaster Road at Lancaster Road URC

September Church Diary

- Sun 4th 11am Mr Les Moody
Holy Communion - offering for the
Communion Fund
Duty Elder - Pamela Fisher
- Sun 11th 11am The Worship Group
Duty Elder - Sylvia Coombs
1pm Church Meeting
- Weds 9.45 - Joint Bible Study with Lancaster Road at
14th 11.30am Lancaster Road URC
- Sat 17th 11am - Lunchtime @ Christ Church
2pm

Advance dates for 2011

Church Meetings

12.30pm

11th September (please note
change of date from 4th)
6th November

Elders Meetings

8pm

3rd October (the Manse)
5th December (the Manse)

North London Brass and North London Big Band

Live in concert at Christ Church

21st September (7.45pm)

**** Adventurers ****

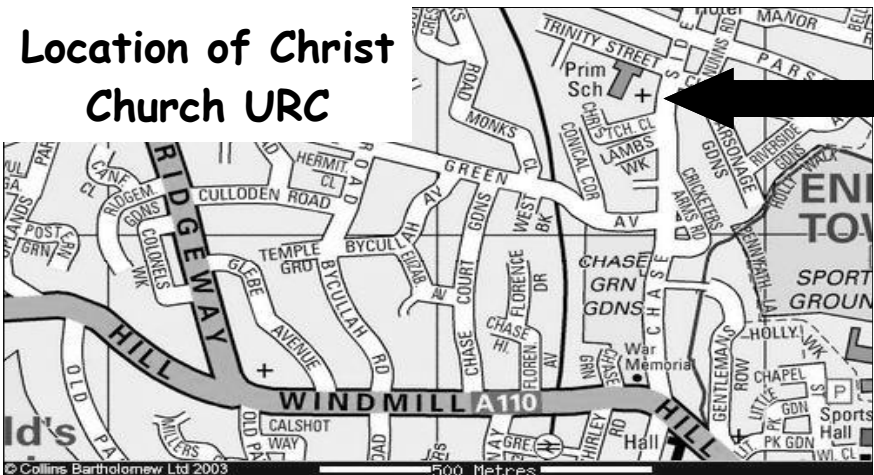
WHAT: Adventurers are a group for boys and girls aged three upwards. They meet for games, drama, craft activities and fun, based on a Bible theme

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 **September** issue should reach the Editor by the **second Sunday of August**

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