

This week

Sunday 25th January 9.30am Holy Communion, 11am Family Worship, The Wave, Children's Church and creche

Mon 26th Jan. In Holroyd Room at church: 6.30-7pm prayer followed by Youth Core Group 7.30pm Praying with the Word at Ruth and Andrew Crowley's (219 Abbeyfield Road)

Tuesday 27th Jan 3.30pm Fabric Committee, 6-7.30pm UNITE (Y5-9) 7.30pm Limb's home group,

Wednesday 28th Jan Toddlers 9.30—11.30am; 7.30pm Final session of 'Moving on' vicarage.

Thursday 29th Jan 9.45am Holy Communion followed by coffee, chairbics and lunch club.

Sunday 1st February 9.30am Holy Communion, 11am Family Worship, The Wave, Children's Church and creche

Next week

Monday 2nd Feb @Ant's

Tuesday 27th The Furnace at Rog and Julie's



TODAY AT ST PETERS

4-5.30

Information: there are a variety of **information leaflets and charity magazines in a blue folder** on the table at the back by the font. Please have a browse. If you bring information for church it would be helpful if you could put it in the folder as this makes it easier to find.

We are pleased so many people liked the flowers at Christmas. If you would like to make a donation to the flower fund or help arrange flowers in church, please see Frances or June.

Christ Church Pitsmoor

Christian community for all nations

25th January 2015



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Mission Action Planning (MAP)

Thank you to everyone who came along on Sunday afternoon. Some good stuff is coming out of the interesting discussions that took place last Sunday. we'll have some feedback for you shortly



Breathe Deep . A 14 strong group from Christ Church and St. Peters enjoyed a brilliant Diocesan youth day at Philadelphia yesterday. Photo shows, "Woody" Ant Stevens with Rebecca Hall



Welcome to our services

Please join us for tea or coffee after the service.

New to Christ Church? Please ask to fill in a **Newcomers card**

with your contact details and hand to Welcomer or Church leader so we can keep in touch with you.



We are excited to be amongst the first parishes to apply to have a **Mission development worker**. We are applying as part of our Mission Partnership (St. Peters, St. Cuthberts and CCP). Bishop Steven is eager to provide admin help for parishes to enable leaders in the parishes to develop mission work. We have been very blessed to have had Maureen working with us for nearly three years. The Burgesses grant which has funded her finishes in May and we are hoping that Maureen will become our MDW working with another part-time MDW at St. Cuthberts but also working with St. Peters at a new office to be developed there. As part of the process we are having a three way meeting on Tuesday (27th) to think about ways of developing the Mission Partnership. If you are interested in joining me, Rev Louise, Yvonne, Elizabeth (from St. Peters), please let me know. It is great to work together and share gifts and expertise.

We had a review meeting at St. Peters last week to look back over five Messy Church meetings. **Messy Church** happens every month (4th Sunday) and provides an opportunity for families to do crafts together then worship Jesus, followed by tea. 31 families have taken part so far and it has been great that some of our CCP contacts have been able to get along. Even if they can't always get to morning worship at CCP. This is a superb opportunity for grand-parents to get grand-children along, an opportunity to invite families to something that is colourful, vibrant and God-centred.

The **Urban Theology Unit** is putting on a variety of course over the next few months. Full details of the courses are on the Welcome table

The next **Empower prayer evening** takes place next Friday, 7.30p.m. at Greenhill Methodist Church

Work on the Welcome Centre is getting closer!

Fabric Committee will be meeting this week with our church architect and a building firm to finalise plans for **refurbishing the kitchen**. When we met in December, Michael Jude had some really good ideas, informed by his experience of working in catering, which helped us to make suggestions to the architect. These are now being tweaked to make sure they will work. The final result should make better use of the space available and help us to serve hot drinks more easily, including at big events such as Riding Lights, as well as prepare and serve meals for large groups. It is hoped to carry out this work while the Centre is closed for the **roof repairs** to save disruption to user groups

NEXT STEP: keep praying for funds and plans to update the office and toilets

Church prayer meeting

6.30-7pm every Monday at church. All welcome

Church Directory 2015

*We think we have contacted almost everybody who wants to be in the new church directory, but there are forms on the welcome desk for the directory and for joining the electoral roll if you need to update your details re **changes on the last year esp. phone nos or email address**. Please contact **Maureen or see Jane or Frances** after the service if you have any questions. Maureen will begin updating directory this week.*

Ever thought of leaving a legacy to church or a charity?

Charities are encouraging people to think about leaving a legacy to those charities close to their hearts. Have you thought of leaving money to Christ Church in your will so that future generations can benefit from your investment in God's work here? If you would like to do this, www.cafonline.org/legacy explains how you can put a clause in your will declaring that you on your death Charities Aid Foundation have a list of the charities you wish to support. Using CAF you can change the details of the legacy without having to alter your will. The Christ Church Pitsmoor charity number is 1129500.

One of the ideas coming out of our MAP review is the possibility of focusing on one Social/Justice issue each term with items in the news sheet and good displays on revamped noticeboards. *The nation of Afghanistan has been on our hearts. We have rejoiced at the baptism of Amin(now in Oxford) and Ali. A friend,, who we can't name is currently working there. The new Government has just started to meet this week and in her prayer letter she asks for continued calm. Recently IS elements have arrived in the country. It is a crucial time for this beautiful war-ravaged place. Can we also pray for a young man J. who I support who has a burden to return to his country and share his new found Christian faith.*

Facebook for the Frightened, Twitter for the timid

Lay development training at Church House 6.30-9pm on Tuesday 24th Feb or Wed 4th March for anyone who would like to learn how to set up a page or learn more about eg privacy settings. Please see poster at the back, Chris Limb or Frances for more details