



CHRIST CHURCH

LONG FURLONG



THE FOURTH SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

SUNDAY 31 OCTOBER 2021

"I thank my God every time I remember you....being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." - Philippians 1:3, 6

Sunday

Sunday 31 October (reminder—clocks go back 1 hour)

10.30am 'Pressing on Together', Sandra Pike will be speaking on Phil 3: 15-4:3- ***on Zoom - there will be NO service in the school hall.*** Children & Families will meet 10.30am at LF Community Centre for Forest Church, or games if very wet - bring a coat, children must be accompanied by an adult.

After Service Cycle ride & Pub lunch – more details below.

3pm – Light Party at Northcourt Road. 45min service followed by 45mins of craft, activities and refreshments. Pre-booking essential via [ChurchSuite](#).

After church Bike ride and Pub Lunch

Weather permitting, let's meet after Forest/Zoom church at 11:45am(ish) outside the community centre for bike ride with Natty to Bowyer's Arms, Radley for a pub lunch. Please email james.dollar@sharp.eu if you are thinking about joining and we will book an appropriate size table. All young persons (under 16s) need to be supported by a responsible adult. James Dollar & Sue Robbins

Equipping

New Wine Preaching Conference

Does God's Word burn in your heart? Do you long to invest the preaching and teaching ministry at Christ Church? Join others from across both sites at the New Wine Preaching Conference on Saturday 7 November, as we livestream this conference into the Tithe Barn and Church Lounge. Speakers include J John, Simon Ponsonby, John Mark Comer, Amy Orr-Ewing, Jon Tyson and Ness Wilson. You can see a full programme, and the booking link, [here](#). Please also book a seat in church for the conference [here](#).

Long Furlong Prays Together

Night Prayer every Weds 9pm on Zoom - re-starting in November

Tuesday 9th Nov 8pm-9pm - Prayer Walk - meet outside LF Community Centre to pray for local community

Weds 1st Dec 8pm - Advent Prayer Evening on Zoom.

Prayer & Support

Please Pray For Those Who Are Unwell

[LF] Logan Mazie (Jane J's great nephew), Simon Furlong.

News/Updates

Sundays in Sept/Oct - review & reflect

The LF leadership team are going to be talking & praying particularly about Sundays in Sept & Oct at their next meeting on 8th Nov. Please do talk to or email anyone on the team with your reflections on Sundays and anything else you sense God might be saying to us as a community at LF at this time, many thanks, Diana Bingham, David Lever, Nic Cook, Derek Walker, Jane Robinson, Anne Taylor, Phil & Kath.

Long Furlong Winter Socials

We are excited to be hosting a range of socials over the coming winter months starting with a fire pit, marshmallows & hot chocolate in the Cooke's garden on 7th Nov. [Click here for more details!](#)



Tearfund Big Quiz

CCA Youth are inviting you to the Tearfund Big Quiz night on Friday 19th November. Come on your own and join a group, or book as a table of 6 (mixed ages recommended). Tickets are £5pp or £25per table. [Please book by 7th November](#) to guarantee your place. Speak to Bea Ellaby if you'd like to help organise this event.

Church Walk

Wednesday 10 November led by Mike & Deborah Harford. Circular walk starting at Wittenham Clumps car park. Just under 4 miles, no stiles & it is mostly flat apart from two short steep climbs near the start. Please be at Christ Church Northcourt Road by 10am with good footwear and waterproof clothing. If you would like to stay on for lunch, we will go to the Root One Garden Centre café on the A4130 at Brightwell cum Sotwell.

Climate March & Rally

Saturday 6 November. If you would like to demonstrate your care for God's world by joining the March and/or rally, then you can do so by: Joining the march leaving Manzil Way on the Cowley Rd (1pm to leave at 1:30) or by joining the rally in Broad Street at 2/2:30. Members of the eco church team will be there and you're welcome to contact us for more information or to meet us at the march/rally. Helen Casson (Ab. 524226) / Lizzie Shipman (07453 611505).

What Does Christmas Mean For You?

Everyone, church and people on Long Furlong, are invited to submit artwork or poems on this theme for a daylong exhibition at the Community Centre on Saturday 18th December. We hope people will come and go during the day to see the work, enjoy refreshments and chat with friends. Jane R would love to hear from you if you'd like to be involved: the_robinsons@ntlworld.com, 01235 2021514 or 07890 024076

Ministries & Events



Café Supervisor Vacancy

The Barns Cafe are advertising for a part-time cafe supervisor. This will be a 6 months fixed term contract with the possibility of extension. For more information visit cca.uk.net/vacancies or contact Phil on manager@thebarnscafe.co.uk.



Foodbank

We are beginning to see the shelves filling, but are still short of the following: tinned potatoes, carrots, garden peas, meat and small tins of coffee.

Thursday Fellowship

10.30am in Barn 2, Pam McKellen coming to speak on "A Sure Hope and a Perfect Peace".

Meeting God in the Silence

Monday 1 November. Refreshments from 10:15am, starting at 11am for half an hour. And 7:30pm starting at 8pm in the evening. We will be meeting in the coffee lounge for both meetings. 'Together we are an undivided person.'

Men@CCA Breakfast

Save the date - Saturday 27 November. we will have an interview with a brother in our congregation about how God rescued him from a drug den & how the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ put him on a path of rehabilitation, regeneration and recovery.

Women@CCA

You are warmly invited on Saturday November 13th, 3:30-5pm in the Barn for delicious teatime refreshments. Jo Swinney (from A Rocha) will be coming to speak to us about her new Advent book "The whole Christmas story".

Prime Time Consultation

As we look towards 2022 and beyond, we would like to invite you to come and share your thoughts/ ideas on how YOU would like Prime Time to continue. We have some ideas but really want to hear from you. So please come along to the hall on Sunday 14 November 4-6pm. Thanks, Sue Quantick.