

NEWSLETTER

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Christ Church
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Christ Church URC, Chase Side, Enfield

Open Day

Saturday 13 September 2025
10:00am-4:00pm

Celebrating 150 years in our current building and over 245 years of worship and witness on this site

See inside our **beautiful church building** and a range of **displays and exhibits**, enjoy **guided tours** and a **time of fellowship** including free refreshments

Time of worship and praise concert
with **Rony Padilla** and friends

Saturday 13 September 2025
6:30pm-8:00pm
Christ Church URC
Chase Side, Enfield, EN2 6NJ



All are welcome to attend this free event
It will be followed by refreshments
and a time of fellowship together



Pastoral Letter September 2025

Hello,

It's that time of year when all the children return to school, parents breathe a sigh of relief and teachers take a big deep breath in readiness for the Autumn term of the new academic year.

The trees start to change colour and the weather starts to freshen up after the summer heat. It has been a glorious summer though, if not too hot at times (or is that just me)? Harvest celebrations start in late September reminding us of all the good gifts God gives to us and to be thankful to all those who work the fields throughout the year.

Over the summer I had the joy of dressing up as a parrot at the Holiday Club at Lancaster Road URC. The theme this year was 'Psalm Tree Island', a Psalm-themed week written by John Hardwick. The young people learnt about David and Jesus. I don't know how long the Watt family have been visiting Enfield but the children really love that part of the morning's fun. Around 60 children were registered for the club this year and were entertained by the wonderful church volunteers from across the three churches in the pastorate. It's always a joy when the three churches come together. The week concluded with a Sunday service led by the Revd Martin Legg - I was told there were more 'dad' jokes!

Then, if that wasn't enough fun to keep us going, Stuart and I joined 2nd Enfield Boys' Brigade over on the Isle of Wight where the week's theme was Star Wars. What a glorious time had by all. The young

people were wonderful. They helped each other and the older lads encouraged the younger ones. The staff had spent so much effort making the week one of fun and fellowship. I was tasked with the Sunday evening service and daily morning devotions. I tried to link (sometimes tenuously) the Star Wars theme with the Armour of God from Ephesians. What was so lovely, was to see that whatever the age (11-18) there wasn't a mobile phone in sight during the daytime and they simply played - something we don't often see these days. Children don't get the opportunity to play like they did during this camp. The food was exceptional as it was all home cooked, except one meal which was chicken kiev's. I should have weighed myself before camp to see how much weight I had put on.

This month marks the second anniversary of me being in Enfield - my how time flies! It's certainly been a learning curve in so many ways with its ups and downs. However, I have been very blessed to have had huge support from the other clergy across the whole of Enfield. It is extremely unusual for so many clergy to work so closely together. There is no competition, just a desire that people get to know Jesus in one church family or another. This was very evident when we had our pastorate prayer weekend at the end of June at Lancaster Road URC. We were supported by several of the church leaders from other Enfield churches (who came and visited us over the Friday or Saturday, even from as far as Edmonton). Not only are we clergy colleagues but we are good friends too. Why is this important?

"I in them and you in me - so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me." (John 17:23, NIV)

The closer we work together and not have disagreements with other churches, we show that despite our different ways of worshipping, Jesus is always at the centre of our worship and our relationships. This unity of clergy and churches shows those who are looking in at the Christian faith from the outside that God loves the world; God's love is shown through our love for Christ and our love for one another. It's an exciting time to be in Enfield. God is on the move in so many ways. I wish you a blessed September whatever your plans are. Safe travels if you are going away now the children have returned to school.

May God's presence and peace be upon you all, now and forever.

God bless,

Ruth

News of the fellowship

We are saddened to report that Glennis Boxer passed away on 17 August. We give thanks to God for her life, and ask for your prayers for Deborah as well as their family and friends at this time.

Zoom Bible Study Group

The Zoom Bible Study Group will be meeting on Saturdays 6 and 20 September at 9:30am. The group will be continuing a series of studies by Tom Wright based upon the Gospel of Luke. New members are always welcome. Please contact Rosemary Milns for joining details.

Christ Church 150th anniversary

A reminder of our 150th anniversary celebratory events and dates:

- Lunchtime @ Christ Church - Saturday 11 October, 12:00pm-2:00pm. If you are able to help, please speak to an Elder.
- Open Day - Saturday 13 September, 10:00am-4:00pm. There will be refreshments and guided tours around the church. There will also be historical visual displays and exhibitions about the Grade II listed Victorian Decorated Gothic church, its predecessors Zion and Chase Side Chapels and the people and activities associated with the church, past and present. A new illustrated publication *From Zion Chapel to Christ Church: A story of Congregationalists in Enfield* will be available.
- On the same day there will also be a worship concert by Rony Padilla from 6:30pm-8:00pm (please note corrected times). If anyone else is available to volunteer to welcome visitors and/or serve refreshments for either or both parts of the day, even if just for an hour or two, please speak to one of the Elders. Also donations of homemade or bought cakes would be gratefully received. If you can assist, please let one of the Elders know.
- Enfield Choral Society Concert - Saturday 8 November, 7:30pm-9:30pm. Details of ticket prices will be available nearer the time. The performance will include 'Three Motets' (Bruckner), 'Psalm 46' (Elmer), 'I Was Glad' (Parry), 'Gaelic Blessing' (Rutter), 'The Lamb' (Tavener) and 'Gloria' (Vivaldi).
- Anniversary Service led by the Moderator of Thames North Synod, the Revd George Watt - Sunday 16 November, 10:45am. This will be a North Enfield Pastorate service at Christ Church.

- 'From Zion Chapel to Christ Church: A story of Congregationalists in Enfield' - Wednesday 19 November, 3:00pm at Jubilee Hall, 2 Parsonage Lane. This is an illustrated talk by Stephen Gilbert organised by the Edmonton Hundred Historical Society. All members and friends from Christ Church will be welcome.
- Christmas Tree Festival - Saturday 13 December. Further details to follow.

Newsletter contributions

If you enjoy reading this newsletter, we would like to invite contributions towards the cost of producing it if you feel able.

Contributions can be made in person by picking up a donation envelope from the back of the church and adding it to the offertory or handing it to one of the Elders. Alternatively you can donate online - please speak to an Elder for more details.

In all cases please mark your donation as a newsletter contribution. The suggested contribution is £13, or £17 if you receive the newsletter by post (to cover the additional cost of envelopes and stamps).

Your contribution can be Gift Aided if you are a UK tax payer, allowing us to receive an extra 25% of what you contribute - just include your number from the freewill offering envelope, or your name/address.

Communion offering

The Communion offering at the service on Sunday 7 September is for the Communion Fund, which is distributable at the discretion of the Minister to assist those in need.

A collection plate will be at the back of the church after the service, and any donations would be gratefully received.

Christians Against Poverty

On Sunday 14 September, Nicola Routledge from the charity Christians Against Poverty (CAP) is coming to speak to us about the work that they do.

CAP has been providing free professional debt help through local churches across the UK since 1996. They have been working tirelessly to support people to become debt free, find work, and escape poverty. Their services are now available right across England, from Cornwall to Carlisle, in hundreds of communities, including Enfield. Christ Church was one of the founder members of the Enfield Churches Debt Centre. Services provided include job clubs, life skills groups and money coaching. Nicola is the manager of the Enfield Debt Centre and we look forward to welcoming her on this Sunday to hear more about CAP's work and what opportunities there are to provide additional support.

Further information about CAP can be found at **capuk.org**

Aspiring to More

'Aspiring to More' is a Thames North Synod training and learning programme for those who want to become preachers or worship leaders, or who wish to explore Christian faith and worship in more depth. A taster session will be held on Tuesday 2 September from 7:30pm-9:30pm on Zoom. Find out more and register interest by emailing [**training@urcthamesnorth.org.uk**](mailto:training@urcthamesnorth.org.uk)

Lancaster Road URC Holiday Club

From 28 July to 1 August, Lancaster Road URC ran their annual holiday club for children and young people aged 5-11. This year was slightly different as it was held in the church because of the redevelopment of their church hall. The was 'Psalm Tree Island', from John Hardwick's five-day holiday club plan, a series of books, which they have used over the last few years.



They are fortunate in having a talented band of musicians, worship leaders and staff which included staff from Christ Church. Each day included a Bible story, games, handicraft, jokes, prayers, and more.

This year the Holiday Club averaged 54 children each day across the week, and the week closed with a service on Sunday morning which included music, drama, jokes and stories from the week.

Friendship Club update

We have enjoyed another exciting and varied programme at Friendship Club from May to July this year, learning about the Bridge of Hope project in Uganda, watching Linda Clarke painting a beautiful picture, and hearing about what you might find yourself letting yourself in for when you volunteer.

May: Bridge of Hope project with Rosemary Randall

Bridge of Hope is a project in the south west corner of Uganda which was set up by a couple, who are members of Enfield Baptist Church, to provide help for abandoned or very needy children in that area.

They have built a 'village' which has two bungalows for young orphaned children with 12 children in each bungalow looked after by local women. There is also a nursery and primary school which now provides education for 450 children, some from the 'village' with the majority of children who live in nearby local villages. At school all the children enjoy a main cooked meal every day which may well be their only meal for the day. In some cases, food is also provided for families in real need in some of the other surrounding villages. The founders and supporters from Enfield make regular visits to the project and the surrounding areas where they also distribute food, clothing etc and arrange to provide help for families in need.

Rosemary gave us an example of one of these visits where they found baby triplets with no one able to care for them, took them into the Bridge of Hope 'village' where they are now growing up and going to school, two boys and one girl, all fit and well. The project is supported

by people who are willing and able to sponsor children. At present there are about 140 sponsors in and around Enfield. A number of the children who have now finished primary school have been able to move on to secondary school or vocational training such as sewing, hairdressing, teaching, carpentry, electronics etc and they have been sponsored through these courses until they are able to earn their own living. All told, this is a project which has been of great practical help to many the people in that whole corner of Uganda.

June: Painting a picture with Linda Clarke

We all very much enjoy Linda's paintings. It is amazing to watch each picture take shape before our very eyes, step by step, throughout the afternoon. She is indeed a very talented lady. This time her picture was of the seaside, a beautiful small bay with all the colours of the sea from dark blue on the horizon to turquoise closer to the shore and a small sandy beach, as she talked to us about the beauty of God's wonderful creation. There was also a wide variety of pieces of music for us to listen to while she painted.

July: Volunteering with Sylvia Coombs

When I was just 21 years old (21 and two weeks to be very precise) I arrived in west Africa, in Sierra Leone at Freetown as part of a group of volunteers with Voluntary Service Overseas. I went to teach at a secondary school for two years, but although I had volunteered for this and been on a week's preparation course there was one thing that nobody really explained, and this is what I wrote about my arrival...

The plane doors opened, we descended the stairs and I stepped onto

African soil for the first time. And immediately it struck me! I felt that I was being smothered by a suffocating blanket of thick, heavy, fiercely hot and humid, clammy heat, making it impossible for me to breathe. It caused me to panic. If I could not breathe, how could I possibly survive Africa for two years? My first thought was that I should get straight back on to the plane and leave on its return flight!

This whole adventure for me began when I was at teacher's college in Birmingham and in my final year I found a piece of paper pushed under the door of my room. It was advertising VSO and asking for volunteers. I read, thought, prayed and talked to others to find out more. Was that really what God wanted me to do with my life at that point? I wanted to be sure, so finally I decided to 'lay a fleece' as Gideon did in his story in the Old Testament. I asked for God's guidance through my parents. When I discussed volunteering with them I prayed that if my parents thought I should volunteer I would offer, if definitely 'no' then I would not. To my surprise the answer was 'yes' so I applied and went for an interview. Although several of my fellow students were also interviewed only two of us were chosen that year. The amazing thing was that we two could not have been more totally different in every way. Why us everyone wondered? But we never did find the answer. We were prepared to go wherever VSO wanted to send us but as they asked for any preference mine was India or the Far East and Barry's was Africa or the West Indies so I was sent to Africa and Barry to India!

On our preparation course at the end of a talk on education for us teachers the speaker asked for the person who was going to teach at Bishop Johnson Memorial School to stay behind as he wanted to

speak to him or her. That was me, so, I stayed, and he told me a little about the school.

“The buildings are old, run down, inadequate and insufficient for its 800 students. The running of the school is chaotic, not helped by the fact that it is overcrowded and caters for students who cannot afford or obtain places at other schools in Freetown. In fact, some of the students do not really want to be there at all.”

I had been warned and quickly discovered that he was quite right.

While my VSO application was still in process someone from Christ Church sent me a copy of the missionary society magazine to read. In it I found an article about the Associates Fellowship. Associates were people who wanted to be in mission but had their own jobs overseas so did not need to be financially supported by the missionary society. Could this be something for me I wondered? So, having thought and prayed about it again I put in an application and this time went to London for an interview. I was called into a much more formal setting than for VSO. It was a large room where at least 12 or more serious looking, smartly dressed, older people were seated round a huge central table, and I was directed to the one vacant seat. And then, to my complete surprise, in walked the Chairperson, the Revd Tom Burghart (Minister at Ponders End Congregational Church at that time), who already knew me and my family very well. His opening question was, “Well, there’s plenty of need in Enfield for mission, why do you want to go overseas?” All the other interviewers either looked shocked or laughed and told him that he couldn’t ask that question to start with. Knowing all about his sense of humour I just joined in the

laughter and it quickly turned into a far less formal interview. Happily, I became an Associate and this, in fact, opened the doors to quite a lot of extra help and good advice for me in Sierra Leone.

So, that was what I shared about my first experience of volunteering at Friendship Club. We finished off with a few photos of life in Sierra Leone which Ruth managed to show us on her screen. As the pictures were taken from colour slides which were almost sixty years old that was quite an amazing finale. Our thanks to Ruth for managing to show them!

Sylvia

Friendship Club programme

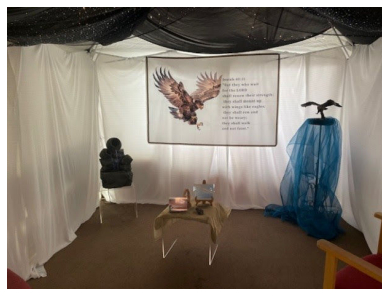
The Friendship Club meets in the church hall on the third Monday of each month at 2:15pm for friendship, fellowship and cups of tea! New members are very welcome at any of these meetings - for more details please speak to Sylvia Coombs.

Forthcoming meetings in the remainder of 2025 will take place as follows:

- **15 September:** Our favourite poems
- **20 October:** Songs of Praise - The Revd Ruth Dewis
- **17 November:** Quiz time - The Revd Mandy James
- **15 December:** Christmas programme including a bring and share tea - The Revd Ruth Dewis

Pastorate Prayer Weekend

This event, which took place on 27 & 28 June at Lancaster Road URC, was supported in prayer by ecumenical partners and local church leaders some of whom visited over the weekend. Over 150 people visited from across Enfield. The feedback given by several visitors was very positive and many found it a very moving experience.



Prayer ministry was offered to several people who came in because they were passing, and not because they attended a church, which was a blessing to us and them. Several people who attend various activities associated with the church also visited during the weekend.

There were 13 prayer stations, each with a particular theme and focus using a variety of resources including activities, like bubble prayers for all ages. There was a selection of prayer material available free of charge. Refreshments were available throughout the two days provided by members of the North Enfield Pastorate.

The resources were supplied and organised by Claire Harris with the help of Ruth and Stuart. The weekend ended with the pastorate joining together for morning worship being led by Claire Harris with many of the prayer stations open.

The Woman Who Touched Jesus' Cloak

Paolo Caliari, called Veronese (c. 1528-1588) was born in Verona and was influenced principally by Titian. He worked in Venice from 1553 and specialised in large pictures of biblical, allegorical or historical subjects, often filled with women dressed in the height of 16th century fashion. He sometimes included extraneous dogs, apes, horses and foreign soldiers in his religious pictures which got him into trouble with the Venetian Inquisition.

Veronese's early *Christ Addressing a Kneeling Woman* of 1546 tells the story of the woman who had suffered from bleeding for 12 years and had spent all her money on doctors without being cured. She believed that if she touched Jesus' cloak she would get well. When the woman realised that she had been cured, she knelt at Jesus' feet, which is the moment recorded by Veronese. Jesus told her that her faith had made her well.

This painting may be seen in the National Gallery in London.

Stephen

You can see a full colour version of Veronese's *Christ Addressing a Kneeling Woman* on page 27.

Guides & Rangers Summer Camp

At the end of July and start of August the Guides & Rangers headed off on their Summer Camp at Tolmers Activity Centre in Cuffley. Read on to see what some of the girls had to say about their week away...



I love going to Tolmers for Summer Camp. This year my favourite activities were the rock climbing, aeroball and Lego building. I really enjoy having the opportunity to have time away with my friends, making memories and learning new skills! Also the food is amazing. I am so grateful for Vicki and the other leaders - they make every camp so enjoyable! I'm already so excited for next year!

By Ruby D

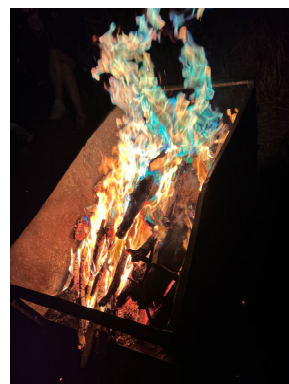
Summer Camp was actually a whole vibe! We slept in the Rangers tent and somehow survived without touching the lake. I was convinced the wasps were plotting my downfall but it was still fun - we stayed up way too late laughing and now I've got memories of a lifetime.

By Amber W

Summer Camp is always fun every year. I love the togetherness and the way that everyone enjoys themselves. My first Summer Camp as a Ranger was fantastic, we did loads of awesome things. The wasps were out of hand though - I hate wasps. I had a great laugh, just like every year I've been.

By Ruby W

When I first found out I was going to be away from home for a week, a wave of happiness came over me. Seven whole days free from my two younger brothers, it sounded like a dream. Sure I'd miss them but it was a chance for me and my friends to spend time together... That was until I found out that none of my friends were going. My happiness turned into dread. A whole week by myself? No way. I went straight to my mum and told her I didn't want to go anymore, but instead of letting me stay home, she said something that I think will stick with me forever... The best experiences happen when you step out of your comfort zone. Now looking back at it, I can see she was right.



My first day of camp began with a mix of nerves but ended with laughter and new friendships. I met my new friends whilst setting up the tents, and it was then I realised that maybe I would have fun. We were laughing and talking like we'd known each other for ages, the camp didn't feel nearly as scary anymore. Instead I felt welcomed and accepted.

One of the best parts about the camp had to be the activities! On our 'day out' we went swimming, McDonald's, the cinema (we watched the new Smurf Movie) and the best of all was going to Primark! Not only that but we also did arts and crafts. We painted Lazy Susans, folded origami paper stars (my favourite), and made DIY turtles! It was definitely more fun than playing on my iPad.

I'm so glad my mum encouraged me to go. What started as a week I was dreading turned into one of the best experiences of my life. I learned new skills, made amazing friends, and discovered that stepping out of your comfort zone can be a wonderful experience. By the end of the camp, I didn't want to leave... and I couldn't believe I was ever worried about going in the first place!

By Ariella E

In the night day rain and sun
We did our bit and had our fun
It was the leaders that were always there
They made this camp happen and proved how much they care
There were many crafts and activities in store
Everything we did opened up a new door
From learning and making something new
And trying and finding out what we can do
We did rock climbing, swimming and hide and seek
But this isn't even half of the week!
We can't forget about the games
There's so many I can't remember all their names
We did archery, dancing, aeroball, crafts, putting up tents, talent show
On and on the list can go
But here I stop, let's give the leaders a cheer
Summer Camp 2025 was here
By Hollie

It's great to read about what looks to have been a fantastic week away - a big thank you to all of the leaders for everything that they do.

Boys' Brigade update

On Monday 30 June our Summer Programme continued with a trip to Hollywood Bowl Finchley for a fun evening on the lanes - well done to our winners Benedict (Anchors), Daniel (Juniors), Adam (Company) and Yianni (Seniors)!



Saturday 5 July saw us take part in the Enfield Battalion Athletics & Sports at Lee Valley Athletics Centre. Our teams came 5th (Anchors) and 4th (Company) and we also had a number of individual event wins - well done to Jack (Year 2 60m Run & Standing Jump), Ellis (Year 2 Shuttle Run), Micah (Years 8/9 100m Run), William (Years 8/9 800m Run), Zaydan (Years 8/9 Javelin) and our Years 8/9 4x100m Relay team!



On Monday 7 July our Anchors and Juniors headed into the church garden to take on a range of team challenges including soft archery, cornhole, water cups, minefield and bean bag balance - well done to Daniel, Jack and Yuvaan who were the winning team!



On the same evening our Company and Seniors were in and around Enfield Town to take on an Around the Town Challenge, working in teams to take part in a variety of settings.

There were plenty of creative interpretations, with Moisis, Sunny, William and Zaydan being judged to be the winning team overall.

On Saturday 12 July our Company and Seniors had a fantastic day out at Thorpe Park, going on lots of rides including Hyperia, Stealth, Swarm, Saw, Nemesis Inferno, Tidal Wave, Rush, Vortex and more!

On Monday 14 July it was great to hold our Summer BBQ in the church garden, bringing together boys from all of our age groups as well as their families.

The following week our Company and Seniors lads enjoyed a bonus week with an evening of go karting at TeamSport Karting in Edmonton, an 800m indoor track with karts that can reach speeds of up to 45mph. Well done to Yianni who took the fastest lap overall!

At time of publication we will be away in Norfolk with friends from 10th Enfield & 4th Barnet for our Summer Camp, before all of our age groups start back for the new term on Monday 8 September.

Tom



God is Our Sanctuary

The Revd David Atkinson, who was Minister of Christ Church and Lancaster Road URCs from 2004-2013, has recently published a second book of sermons called *God is Our Sanctuary*. It contains 34 sermons covering a wide variety of subjects and biblical passages. The subjects include prayer, suffering and doubt. The book costs £10 and all proceeds from the sale will go to St John's Hospice, Lancaster.

If you are interested in purchasing a copy then please speak to Tom or one of the Elders.

Christian Aid Week update

We are pleased to report that the final amount collected for Christian Aid was £393.13. Once again many thanks to those who helped to raise this.

Prayer diary September 2025

- 1 Give thanks to God at the start of a new month.
- 2 Pray for children and young people as a new school year begins over the coming days.
- 3 Pray for the leaders of our church organisations.
- 4 Pray for the work of the wider United Reformed Church.
- 5 Pray for God's comfort over those who are in mourning.

- 6 Pray for the Zoom Bible Study Group as they meet this morning.
- 7 Pray for Jeevan Bethala, who is leading our service this morning.
- 8 Pray for the Anchors as they meet this evening.
- 9 Pray for lasting peace in areas of the world where there is conflict.
- 10 Pray for the staff at Chase Farm Hospital.
- 11 Pray for Ruth and Stuart.
- 12 Pray for the Rainbows as they meet this evening.
- 13 Pray for today's Open Day and praise concert.
- 14 Pray for the work of Christians Against Poverty as Nicola Routledge from the charity speaks to us this morning.
- 15 Pray for the Friendship Club as they meet this afternoon.
- 16 Pray for the residents of Chase Side Place.
- 17 Pray for the external groups that use our church premises.
- 18 Pray for Feryal Clark, our Member of Parliament.
- 19 Pray for the Brownies as they meet this evening.
- 20 Pray for the Zoom Bible Study Group as they meet this morning.
- 21 Pray for this morning's Harvest Festival Celebration Service.
- 22 Pray for the Juniors as they meet this evening.
- 23 Pray for our Elders.
- 24 Pray for local businesses in our area.
- 25 Pray for those who are new to the Christian faith.
- 26 Pray for the Guides & Rangers as they meet this evening.
- 27 Pray those who are unable to join us at church events through sickness or ill health.
- 28 Pray for the Adventurers as they meet during our service this morning.
- 29 Pray for the Company & Seniors as they meet this evening.
- 30 Pray for your own personal faith.

Church diary September 2025

Saturday 6 September 9:30am-10:30am
Zoom Bible Study Group (see page 5)

Sunday 7 September 10:45am
Jeevan Bethala
Holy Communion (offering for the Communion Fund)
Duty Elder - Sarah Harry

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Duty Elder - Rosemary Milns

Monday 15 September 2:15pm
Friendship Club
Our favourite poems

Saturday 20 September 9:30am-10:30am
Zoom Bible Study Group (see page 5)

Sunday 21 September **10:45am**
The Worship Group
Harvest Festival Celebration Service
Duty Elder - Alison Gibbs

Sunday 28 September **10:45am**
Michaela Lawrence
Duty Elder - Sarah Harry

Church diary October 2025

Sunday 5 October **10:45am**
The Revd Ruth Dewis
Holy Communion (offering for Goldie College)
Duty Elder - Rosemary Milns

Saturday 11 October **12:00pm-2:00pm**
Lunchtime @ Christ Church

October 2025 Newsletter

The **October 2025** edition of the Christ Church Newsletter will be published on **Sunday 28 September**. Items intended for inclusion in this issue should be with the Editor by Sunday 14 September. Any late submissions may be held over to the following issue.

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Christ Church URC is a part of the **North Enfield Pastorate** and the **Enfield & East Hertfordshire Local Area Group**.

Our motto: "Enter to worship, depart to serve."

Our 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.

Please note that views expressed in this newsletter are not necessarily the views of the whole fellowship, nor are they representative of church policy.

Taizé worship at Trinity Church

This will be a service of song, silence and contemplation for the Season of Creation. It will take place on Thursday 11 September at 7:30pm at Trinity Church (Methodist/URC), Church Street, Enfield, EN2 6AN. Everyone is very welcome.



Christ Addressing a Kneeling Woman, Paolo Veronese 1546, National Gallery, London. A related article by Stephen Gilburt can be found on page 16.

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Email mail@ccurc.org.uk
for more details of regular
activities taking place at
Christ Church



You are invited...

Join us for worship on **Sundays** at **10:45am**

See diary for details of upcoming services

Adventurers (Junior Church)

During our Sunday morning service - for children aged 3+

Games, drama, craft and lots more fun activities based around a Bible theme

Friendship Club

Once monthly on a Monday (usually third Monday) at 2:15pm

Social meetings for adults for all ages - see diary for upcoming dates



Monday evenings
For boys aged 5-18
info@3rdenfieldbb.co.uk



Friday evenings
For girls aged 4-18
9thenfield@gmail.com



Zoom Bible Study Group

Saturdays (twice monthly) at 9:30am

See diary for upcoming dates

