

Welcome

To the Christ Church with St Mary's community



Hello,

We are delighted you are considering joining us.

We are a growing community which likes to celebrate life. We provide hospitality, a place you can belong and the opportunity for you to become part of a vibrant community with shared Christian values.

We look forward to getting to know you, learning from you, and supporting you, no matter where you are in your faith journey.

Every blessing,

Simon

Revd. Canon Simon Stevenette
on behalf of the staff team

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Safeguarding

We take safeguarding very seriously at Christ Church with St. Mary's. If you have a safeguarding concern, either for yourself or as a result of something you have seen or heard, then please contact our safeguarding officer, Sue Jones (Mob 07884 356915) or you can call Childline on 0800 1111 anytime.

1st Sunday

8am Christ Church 1662 Holy Communion
9am St Mary's Holy Communion followed by refreshments
10am Christ Church All Age with baptism welcome
Followed by refreshments
6.30pm Christ Church Holy Communion
(4pm October – March)

2nd Sunday

8am Christ Church Holy Communion
9am St Mary's Holy Communion
Followed by refreshments
10am Christ Church Family Holy Communion followed by refreshments
6.30pm Christ Church Healing Service
(4pm October – March)

3rd Sunday

8am Christ Church Common Worship Holy Communion
9am St Mary's Holy Communion
Followed by refreshments
10am Christ Church Informal Holy Communion
Followed by refreshments
6.30pm Christ Church BCP Evensong (full choral Feb, May, Jul, Sep, Nov)
(4pm October – March)

4th Sunday

8am Christ Church Holy Communion
9am St Mary's Informal Holy Communion
Followed by refreshments
10am Christ Church Family Holy Communion followed by refreshments

Morning Prayer Mon, Tues, Thurs & Sat 9am in the Lady Chapel (7.30am
1st Sat)

Virtual Morning Prayer Wed & Fri 9am – Telephone: 08002605903 to
join by phone

Use this Passcode 694043607#

Christ in Quiet Service Wed 10.30am in Christ Church
Evening Prayer Wed 6.30pm in Christ Church
Pilgrims of the Way 2nd and 3rd Friday 7pm at St Mary's

Sunday Club



Sunday Club meets each Sunday morning during term time (apart from the first Sunday in the month, which is an all-age service). We welcome all Primary aged children to join us to learn about God's love for us through games, craft, stories, songs and other activities. We leave the service after the children's talk and return to join our families towards the end of the service.

For more information, please contact Alison at alison@christchurchswindon.co.uk

Old Town Partnership of Churches Messy Church



Come and join us at Bath Road Methodist Church on the first Sunday of each month (not August or September) 3pm-4.30pm. Messy fun for all the family! Worship, Games, Crafts, Stories and Tea! More information from messychurcholdtown@gmail.com

Fellowship of Faith

for friendship, support, and growth



Join us at Fellowship of Faith as we grow together in faith! We meet every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 7pm in Christ Church. You'll always find a warm welcome, refreshments, and a safe space to listen or share your story if you'd like. From testimonies to Bible Bingo to fellowship suppers—there's something for everyone. Whether you're new to faith or have walked with God for years, you are truly welcome here.

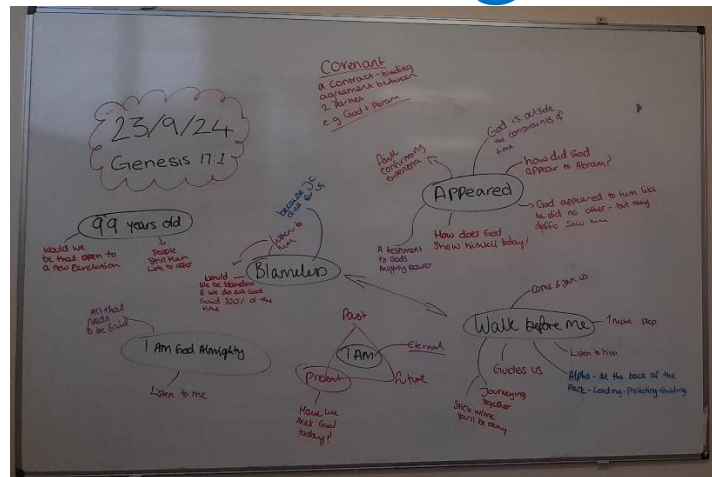
For more information contact fellowshipoffaithoutreach@gmail.com

Bible Encounter Group



We are a fellowship group that meets fortnightly on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month in school term time to explore the Bible in depth together. We would love you to join us. To find out more please contact Maranda maranda@christchurchswindon.co.uk

Treasure Together



Begin your week with God at the centre—come along to Treasures Together! We meet every Monday at 12pm, gathering around Scripture with the help of the Lectio 365 app. Together we share faith-filled thoughts, jotting them down on the whiteboard as we learn and grow. We don't claim to have all the answers, but every week God gives us fresh wisdom to carry into our lives. We meet in the Large Meeting Room in the Community Centre at Christ Church. Contact Ally Giles for more information:

fellowshipoffaithoutreach@gmail.com

'Where Art Thou?'



At just £5 per week, this lively art and craft group is the perfect place for children to splash, paint, stick and create masterpieces together. Running every Thursday during term time from 4pm to 5.45pm in the Garden Room, it's a colourful adventure for kids of all ages. For more information contact Alex at wellnessingrace@outlook.com

Pilgrims of the Way



Looking for a smaller, gentler place to explore faith? *Pilgrims* is a relaxed and welcoming space where everyone is invited to come just as they are. It's especially for those who might find Sunday services overwhelming, or who value a quieter, more personal time of worship and reflection. Come and journey with us.

Email: Pilgrimsoftheway@proton.me for more info!

Men's Breakfast

(but open to all!)



You are invited to fellowship breakfast the first Saturday of every month with morning prayer in the Lady Chapel at 7.30am with breakfast following at 8am in the community centre. (Suggested £5 donation) RSVP please Mike Palmer (01793) 635112.

Lunch Club



Every Monday (excluding Bank Holidays) 12 noon-3pm in the Community Centre. Home Cooked Meals - Just £7 for a Main & Pudding followed by Tea & Coffee. Must be booked in advance. Reserve your spot by calling: 01793 617237 or Pat at 07847 565594

Afternoon Tea



Come along to the Community Centre every Tuesday between 1:30-3:30 for a piece of cake and a drink. An optional 30mins of gentle exercise takes place which can be done seated or standing, or you can just enjoy the music. This is followed by a quiz or music bingo, higher or lower game and an optional raffle. Themed teas are held for special events! A great chance to meet new people and have fun. £3 donation per person. (limited parking)

Creation Care



At Christ Church we have an eco-group that takes a close interest in developing and directing our strategies for protecting God's earth, helping us to focus on doing what we do in a sustainable and earth-friendly way. If you would like to know more, then please get in touch: ecogroup@christchurchswindon.co.uk

To find out more about the A Rocha Eco Church programme, visit their website at: <https://ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/>

'Paws for Thought'



Looking for a paws-itively delightful way to spend your Saturday mornings? The Paws for Thought Group is the perfect chance for dogs and their owners to stretch their legs, wag their tails, and make new friends along the way! Meeting every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at Christ Church, this group is all about connecting people and pups through fun walks, fresh air, and friendly chats. And the best part? Refreshments are waiting afterwards—because both humans and hounds deserve a treat! For more information contact Alex at wellnessingrace@outlook.com

Robed Choir



The robed choir sings twice a month at the communion services on second and fourth Sundays, and at the evening services on the first (communion) and third (evensong) Sundays. They rehearse on Thursday evenings from 7pm to 8:30pm and are always keen to welcome new members. Aside from hymns and the settings of the particular service, the choir also sings an anthem at each service. Five times a year there is a full choral evensong, cathedral style, with extra singers and a conductor. There are occasional visits to cathedrals to sing evensong.

Music Group



On the first and third Sunday mornings, worship is led by the music group. It usually consists of piano and acoustic guitar, with up to four singers. Again, the group is always happy to welcome new members. The style of music is more contemporary. The music group is led by Tracy Jackson.

Bellringing



If you listen out before Sunday services, you may hear Christ Church's bells ringing. Even in the 2020s, it may surprise you to know this isn't an automated mechanism, but local people practising the centuries old art of bellringing. We're very much on the lookout for new recruits; the only requirements are that you can count to ten and climb the tower stairs - we can teach you everything else! We practice on Tuesday evenings, 7:30-9:00, and can cater to all ages from 10 upwards. If you'd be interested in seeing what bellringing is all about and potentially joining us, please contact Ann (Tower Secretary) at bells@christchurchswindon.co.uk

Community Centre @ Christ Church



The Community Centre @ Christ Church is situated at the heart of Old Town and set back in the quiet grounds behind Christ Church. We opened at the end of 2013 and have modern looking facilities available for hire.

You can use our website <https://cccswindon.co.uk> to find out more about our rooms, equipment and the services we offer as well as the events we have coming up!

You can check availability of our hireable spaces on our calendar on the site and request a booking.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Some Activities at Community Centre @ Christ Church



Fridays and Saturdays 8:30am-12noon I am delighted to be bringing the magic of babyballet to the boys and girls in the Swindon area. I look forward to welcoming you to the magical world of babyballet very soon! Love Miss Victoria and Twinkle the babyballet Bear xx
Contact Victoria Durston 07788 502460

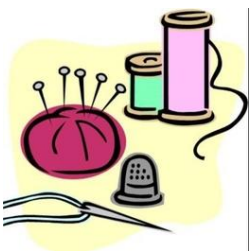
Informal, drop in breastfeeding peer support group. Run by mums trained in breastfeeding support who have breastfed or are still breastfeeding. You don't have to be having breastfeeding problems, come along to meet other mums and you are very welcome if pregnant and have lots of questions.

Contact breastfeeding@swindonnct.org.uk



Every Thursday (term time) from 10:00-12:00 for parents and toddlers. Come along, play and meet new friends. Volunteer run group, small charge expected to help with running costs.

Contact Tanya Durrant 07980 518236



Old Town Stitching Bee - A chance to learn some new skills, get involved in projects, or have the opportunity to spend a couple of hours stitching, embroidery, applique, patchwork and quilting plus make new friends as well as catching up with some old ones. £2.50 including refreshments - Tuesdays 10am - 12 noon.

Contact Pascale Philippe 01793 638672

Weekly (term time) creative therapy workshops with on site crèche, book via Rachael for a set of sessions.

Tuesdays 12:30-13:30

Thursdays 12:30-14:30 Contact Rachael Stone 07866 200016





Art Classes - 10-week courses structured to enable beginners and those with some ability in drawing and painting. We will be working primarily from photographs, sourced by the tutor, although, students are welcome to bring their own photos for a more personal source reference. Picture composition, the use of colour, drawing and painting techniques will be dealt with in a relaxed, informal atmosphere with tutor guidance and demonstration at all stages. **Booking Required**

Contact Jenny Barass 01793 617237

Starting from the Church this walk allows us to explore the lovely grounds of the Lawns, the historic buildings of Swindon's Old Town, the Old Railway Path, and we can even get as far as the Town Gardens and Queens Park. We walk at a leisurely pace but just enough to get you out of breath and ready for that cup of tea or coffee on our return to the Church. Then we have the opportunity to socialise for half an hour or so while you catch your breath, meet new friends and plan your next outing.

Contact Graham Lee 07932 109209



At St Mary's



An hour of mixed ability yoga Thursday at 6:30pm and Saturday at 9:15am. Bookings can be done via my website or the Fit by Wix app <https://www.anandayogaswindon.com/> 1:1 classes 2:1 classes and bespoke cancer rehab sessions available

For more info email admin@anandayogaswindon.com.

Christ Church with St Mary's and the Community Centre @ Christ Church St Mary's (Commonweal Rd, SN1 4LB)

Visit us at: <https://linktr.ee/christchurchswindon>

<https://linktr.ee/communitycentrechristchurch>

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