



**The Good
Shepherd**
Four Marks

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Our church diary is available to view
on the website

11th November 2018

Remembrance Service

Sunday 11th November

We will gather at church 10.40am, then parade to the memorial on Lymington Bottom green where the service will begin at 10.50am. Refreshments in the church afterwards.

COGS Ladies Autumn Supper

Friday 16th November 2018

7pm at The Church of the Good Shepherd Four Marks

Tickets Include:

canapés, drinks and 2 course meal

£6 in advance from COGS office

Join us for a fun evening and hear from guest speaker

Paula Preston as she shares her story.

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The Week Ahead

Sunday 11th November | Remembering

1 John 4:7-21 & John 15:9-17

8am - Said Communion

9.30am - All Age service of the word

10.50am - Remembrance Service

7pm - Celebration service

Monday 12th November

8am - Prayer in the chapel

10am - Pop in for Prayer, 17 Fairfield Green

10am - Bumps and Babies in the hall

7.30pm - Prayer Ministry meeting in upper room

7.30pm - Youth cells meeting

Tuesday 13th November

7am - Early Morning Prayer in the chapel

10am - Holiday at Home Helpers Meeting, church

2pm - Belford House Team Visit

7.45pm - PCC Meeting in church hall

Wednesday 14th November

10.30am - Westlands Communion

7pm - Regroup in church and hall

7.45pm - Freedom in Christ in upper room

Thursday 15th November

9.45am - Ladies cell in hall/upper room

10am - Alpha in the church hall

12.30pm - Toddler Lunch in church hall

7pm - Messy church meeting in upper room

7.30pm - Mindfulness course in church hall

Friday 16th November | Office Closed

8am - Prayer in the chapel

9.30am - Mindfulness course in church hall

7.30pm - Ladies Supper in church

Saturday 17th November

10am - Litter Picking at Oak Green

Sunday 18th November | How do we Proclaim?

1 Corinthians 9:19-27 & Luke 12:8-12

8am - Said Communion

9.30am - All Age communion service

11.30am - Cell church in the church hall

7pm - Celebration service with communion

Caring in Prayer

New/Updated

Ladies Autumn Supper - Pray for this social event, for fun and for the guest speaker, pray for any coming to a church venue for the first time.

Sermon Series - Pray that we will be convinced in our minds what our witness to Jesus should look like. Pray too that we will be convinced of the positive difference Jesus has made to the different aspects of our lives..

Care Homes - Pray for visiting teams, that they will shine out, taking Jesus with them.

Dave - Pray for Dave, currently in intensive care following an operation, and for his wife, Sarah..

Continuing

Greg - Is out of hospital having had a small stroke. He will have tests in 2 weeks. Pray for continued healing.

Moving in - Pray for people who have moved into Four Marks. Pray for the first impression of any meeting with a local Christian - one of Grace, Joy, Hope, and Generosity.

Bumps & Babies - Pray for the development of this group.

Alpha - Pray for those doing Alpha. May people respond to Jesus in heart and mind.

Bethany - Has had a successful operation. Pray for protection from infection.

Ali - Continue praying for Ali's health and stamina. Pray for her employment permit. Pray for friendships in Salima.

William - Diagnosed with polyarthritis and on steroids. Will return to hospital in a few weeks time.

Continue to ask for the Lord's healing.

We do not take offerings at our services. Our preferred method of financial giving to continue the excellent work of Church is via Standing Order. Please contact the Church Office or our Treasurer, Richard Gillard (01420 564279 or Gillardbm@outlook.com) for more details or pick up a Standing Order Mandate at the back of the church. If you wish to make cash or cheque donations, please place in the receptacle. If you wish to donate online, these are our account details: Acc No: 60003685. Sort Code: 60-01-13. Many thanks for your generosity.

Giving

Church Treasurer

After 9 and 11 years respectively, Rich Gillard and Tim Wettone are stepping down from the superb jobs they have been doing overseeing our church finances. We firstly want to say thank you to them for their exceptional service to us, and secondly to encourage us all to pray both for them as they move onto new things, and for ourselves as we seek a new treasurer.

We continue to need another church warden to support Lynn and Howard and now additionally, need one person to be our church treasurer, though the tasks can be shared with others. The key tasks are the setting and overseeing, with our PCC, of our budget, the management of payments and receipts, and, the collection of gift aid and payroll. If you'd like to know more, please do speak to Howard, Lynn, Rich or Tim – the latter are offering a valuable handover period.

Parish Magazine on Website and Contributions Please for the Next Magazine

The magazine is on the website and I encourage you to view it there.

Your contribution to the next magazine is invited and should reach Robert Parker (parker305@btinternet.com) not later than the 15th of the month. Thank you.

Winchester Diocesan Synod has a number of committee vacancies for a three year term commencing 1st January 2019.

The Joint Diocesan Board of Education works on the support and development of education provision within Church schools and academies, and meets 4 times a year.

Nominations are sought from those who are committed to education in church schools, including current and recently retired teachers in primary or secondary education.

The Vacancy in See committee would meet following the announcement of a vacancy within the Diocesan See. Nominations are sought from those with suitable qualities and skills. If you would like to know more regarding either of these committees, please speak to Matt, Howard or Chris McGrath for more information.

Nominations must be submitted by 16th November, latest.

Would you like to earn a little money towards Christmas or for your favourite charity?

The afternoon WI need two people to wash up after Christmas lunch on Thursday 6th December. The two ladies who have done an amazing job over the years are unable to help this time. You will need to be at the village hall from approx. 1pm-4pm. There will be baking trays, serving dishes and crockery from around 50 diners to wash. There is the help of a fast dishwasher in the kitchen. We give £25 to each person.

For further details please contact: Elaine King-Smith (01420 564247)

Christmas Cards, Advent Candles & Advent Calendars now available for purchase on the Church Bookstall

Intercessions @ COGS

Many thanks to all of you who have lead our Intercessions over the past year. We are blessed by the number of people who lead us but there is always room on the rota for new people.

If you feel you could contribute to our worship by leading us in our Intercessions please speak to me or email me at jil_b_ivor@yahoo.co.uk

I have a 'Guidelines for Intercessions' to aid in preparation. Jill Williams

Please note the office will be closed on Friday 16th November. Please send items for notice sheet by the end of Wednesday. Apologies for the inconvenience.





Litter Picking

Come and help us show some of God's love to the village. Saturday 17th November, 10-11am
Meet behind the garage at Oak Green

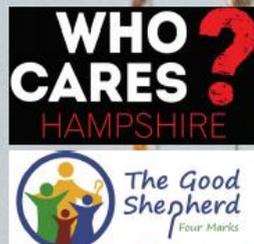
Healing Service

Sunday 25th November, 7pm

As part of our ongoing response to our Who Cares? survey, the Church of the Good Shepherd is holding a Healing Service.

We will be joined by Wes Sutton, the director of Acorn, a Christian Healing Foundation based in Bordon which provides a safe and effective Christian context in which people can experience personal and community wholeness, through training, service, and resource.

Everyone is welcome at this service. There is no expectation that you participate in the service in any way that makes you feel uncomfortable.



Four Marks Care - Your Voluntary Transport Group

'Helping the Community'

Four Marks Care needs someone to provide secretarial support to the committee.

Join a friendly, supportive group who will help you become a valued member of the team.

Please contact: Rod Rymer 01420 562762

Or Viv Care 01420 562518



Church of the Good Shepherd,
Four Marks
Saturday 1st December, 7:30pm
(Doors open at 7.00pm with drinks and cakes)
Free Entry

An evening of praise & worship, with a rock edge
(WARNING: this event may contain a carol or two!)

Please join us at the beginning of this Advent season to worship our amazing God, and to celebrate the birth of His son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Flyers can be found in the church, do take a few and invite your friends.

W? is organised by a team of people with a passion for worshipping God. It is an ecumenical event aimed at anyone who enjoys praising God with music and song in a contemporary setting.

For more information contact Matt and Hannah Wettone: matt@wettone.com or hannah@wettone.com

FIND US ON FACEBOOK

Christmas Holiday @ Home

The H@H Team would like to ask our congregation for some Christmas wrapped gifts for our pass the parcel for our Christmas H@H on 7th December. The gifts should be unisex and because of allergies we ask for nothing edible
Contact Frank Maloney.



Small Group notes for 11th November | Remembering

Read: 1 John 4:7-21. John 15:9-17

This week in our teaching series, we pause. It's an opportunity to reflect, to remember and bring perspective. We are 100 years from the ending of WW1 and must not forget the awfulness of the suffering that brought us freedom, we've bought poppies and together (those that were able) stood around the memorial in silence to remember those from that war and others since who have given their lives for our freedom.

As we remember their sacrifice, we remember the sacrifice of Jesus. Jesus, also a young innocent man who suffered terribly, giving his life for others out of love.

In one human sense no-one deserves death, especially as they go in innocence to conflict, but only Jesus was truly innocent: all have sinned and fallen short of God's glory, except Jesus. Therefore we need Jesus, he provides hope for our future and the future of those who have gone before.

- What does sacrifice mean for us today?

Since Jesus walked the earth an estimated 70 million have died because of their commitment to Jesus, and in the last year 30,000! Some people make a significant commitment to Jesus, risking personal safety and security to follow. All of us are challenged to take up our cross (a clear symbol of impending death – Matthew 16:24-25) and follow Jesus.

- What stories of sacrificially following Jesus are we are of? Have a look on the internet e.g. <https://www.opendoorsusa.org/christian-persecution/stories/2017s-top-10-read-stories-persecuted-church/> But also think about the ways in which sacrifices (of time, money, position, etc.) might be present seen among us.
- In what ways are we inspired to leave safety and security and takes risks for Jesus?

We are told that we should remember and that if we do not learn from history, we are doomed to repeat it. The Great War (WW1) was supposed to be the last! Sadly, human history is lit-up by great human hope (The tower of Babel is one example) and littered with failure. We cannot bring peace on our own. But God can with us. Jesus said: 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.' (Matthew 5:9)

We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 5:1), and we can have peace with ourselves and others. Reconciliation is a huge part of the Gospel work.

- Where do we see 'conflict' around about us?
 - How can we, in God's strength, help bring peace to others today?
- Pray for peace, for ourselves, our neighbours, our church, our nation and our world

PRAYER and PASTORAL REQUESTS

If you have any prayer requests for the prayer chain, please email or ring the Church Office on 01420 560622 or Howard Wright on 01420 563344.

If it would be helpful for a member of the pastoral visiting team to call on you, please contact Howard, Debbie Norgate (01420 84534) or Gilly Cobb (01420 544404).



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Send Sunday Sheet items to the church office before end of day on Thursday



Everyone is welcome to join us for a chat and tea/coffee **between** morning services or **before** the 7pm service

For communion, gluten-free wafers are available and there is a chalice with non-alcoholic wine. Please ask when you come forward if you would like to take these.

MISSIONS OF THE MONTH - November

Beyond the Streets

Beyond the Streets is a UK charity who sees the possibility of life Beyond sexual exploitation. We work to see women safe from coercion, violence and abuse.

beyondthestreets.org.uk

