

All Hallows News



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Economy and Ecology

I was listening to a podcast recently, which included a section about how finances and looking after the environment are so intrinsically linked. I'd already heard that before, but they referred to a 700 page UK Government commissioned report which stated just that.

The Stern Review on the **Economics of Climate** Change was released on 30th October 2006. The main conclusion of the report was that the benefits attached to strong, early action on climate change far outweigh the costs of not acting (essentially, spend money now or you will have to spend lots more later). It also stated that climate change is the biggest market failure ever seen which presents extraordinary challenges for economies.

So, why do I mention that now? Last month we were thinking about issues to do with climate change

and this month we have CAP Sunday, where we are thinking about issues to do with poverty. We could easily think that they are entirely different issues, but the reality is that the economy and ecology fit closely together. Climate issues also have a greater impact on the poor than on the rich.

As our CAP team make contact with their clients every household is obviously different, with their own stories. But things usually come to a head when they become unable to pay for their everyday bills, such as for heating their homes.

Last winter we opened our buildings as a Warm Space, for those who were struggling to keep warm amidst massively rising energy costs. This was affecting almost everybody, but again it was those who had least who suffered the most.

Our call in Scripture is to take care of the poor. In thinking of a Bible verse about caring for the poor I am struck by just how many times those kinds of verses appear. Why did God need to say those things over and over again? Could it be that the people were just too slow to listen and that they didn't make it a big enough priority? I don't know, but it is clear that God would very strongly challenge the people to step up in caring for the poor.

Let's look at one of the verses that I could choose:

"Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the LORD. and he will reward them for what they have done." [Proverbs 19:17]

So, let's do that shall we? Let's be kind to the poor in supporting CAP, in being open as a Warm Space again this winter, in helping where we can and in how we treat the environment.

God bless,



The Green Zone

At last month's Climate Sunday we heard about the challenge to 'Take The Jump' and to try out the 6 Shifts that scientists say we all need to do for the good of the world and the people who live in it. You can find out more at

takethejump.org



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Sunday Ist

10:00 Morning Service with Sunday School 6:30 Evening Communion Service

Monday 2nd

10:00 Zoom Prayers

Wednesday 4th

9:00-1:30 The Light Café + Story

Sunday 8th - Harvest Sunday

10:00 Morning Family Service 6:30 Evening Service

Monday 9th

10:00 Zoom Prayers

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9:00-1:30 The Light Café + Story

Sunday 15th - CAP Sunday

10:00 Morning Service with Sunday School 6:30 Evening Service

Monday 16th

10:00 Zoom Prayers 7:30 Leaders & Preachers

Wednesday 18th

9:00-1:30 Light Café 10:00-11:30 Messy Toddlers 1:00-1:30 BCP Holy Communion 7:00-8:30 Youth Club

Thursday 19th

6:30-8:00 Prayer & Bible Journaling

Sunday 22nd

10:00 Morning Communion Service with Sunday School 6:30 Evening Service

Monday 23rd

10:00 Zoom Prayers

Wednesday 25th

(No Light Café or Youth Group this week due to it being school half term holidays)

Thursday 26th

7:30-9:00 Social Night

Sunday 29th

10:00 Morning Service with Sunday School

6:30 Evening Service

As well as these events, Life Groups meet during the week—to join one of these small groups, speak to Paul or Barbara.



The 'Fisherman's Tale' Story Trail is at All Hallows in the first 2 weeks of October. We will be welcoming children and staff from local primary schools and there is opportunity for others to look around the trail too.

The trails for the wider public are 9:30 and 10:45 on Wednesday mornings (4th and 11th), during the Light Café. Also 6:30 and 8:00 in the evenings of Thursday 5th, Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th. If you would like to come to one of the Story Trails then please call the parish office to book a place.



Christians Against Poverty

Free Debt Help Available

All Hallows has recently partnered with CAP in order to help people out of debt.



If you need support to get out of debt then contact the CAP Enquiries Team on 0800 328 0006 and they will get you booked in for your first appointment.

I'm New to All Hallows

Over the past year or so we have had a number of people either come along to All Hallows for the first time, come back to All Hallows or come along to a service more often than they did before. We are so delighted that you have done so because we are always better off having new and other people around us. You strengthen our church and community.

If you would consider yourself to be new then one of the best things that you can do is to join a **Life Group** at the church. These groups are small groups of people who learn together and 'do life' together. This is a group of people who will check up to make sure that each other is OK and offer support if that's helpful. Speak to Paul Cumming or Barbara Forrest if you would like to join a Life Group.

Special services coming up...

At this time of year we have a number of special church services that take place. You might want to get some of these in your diary now (and they even go as far as the big event at the end of December that we probably still don't want to mention too much yet):

8th October - Harvest Sunday

15th October - CAP Sunday

12th November - Remembrance Sunday &

Service to Remember

17th December - Nativity Service & Carol Service

24th December - Christingle Service

25th December - Christmas Day Celebration

Regular Events

Messy Toddlers

Wednesday, September 13th, 10-11.30am All 0-5s + their parents/carers welcome

The Light Café is open throughout the session for drinks & snacks

ALL HALLOWS Youth Group

WEDNESDAYS 7-8.30PM



For Year 7 upwards, every week in term-time.

Free—but bring money for tuck!

All Hallows Social Night

Last Thursday of every month 7.30–9.00pm

Join us for a relaxed evening of games, conversation & fun: Pool, air hockey, table tennis, board games, drinks, cake & more

Everyone Welcome

For more information, contact All Hallows on 0161 428 9121 / allhallows.cheadle@gmail.com All Hallows Church, Councillor Lane, SK8 2JG

The Light Café

is open 9am-1:30pm every Wednesday in term time.

We serve drinks, breakfast, lunch and homemade cakes—plus there's always someone for you to chat to if you'd like some company.

If it's not a Messy Toddlers week, there'll be play equipment out in the café for pre-schoolers.

We'd love to welcome you in!

Prayer & Bible Journaling Group

6:30-8:00pm on 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month



Meet together, pray together, share life together—join a small group today!

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LIGHT

CAFÉ

WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER

New or Visiting?

First Time Here?

If it's your first time here then welcome! It's great to have you with us. Here are a few short notes that you might find helpful.

Relax - You're our guest, so make yourself at home. If there is anything that you would like to know then ask one of the Welcome Team by the front door.

We don't expect guests to give - For those who are members or regular attenders there is an offering plate at the back, but we don't ask our guests for any money.

We have a Loop System - Switch your hearing aid to T-coil. You might find it useful to sit towards the middle.

Hang around afterwards - Come and join us for a cup of tea or fresh coffee, and for a chat—drinks are served in the hall and we usually gather in the lounge to chat.

Prayer - If you would like someone to pray with you — either prayer for you or for someone you know — there are people who would love to do so after the service. Please make yourself known to the service leader.

Children & Youth - Once a month, the whole church worships together. On other weeks, there is a Sunday School for primary aged children and a group for high-school age young people. One of the Welcome Team can show you where these groups meet. For pre-school age children, there are green tables at the side of church with activities. Please don't be embarrassed if your children make any noise—they are welcome here and are part of the service, too! All our children and youth leaders have DBS checks and have undergone safeguarding training.

Next Steps

e are all on a journey through life, and our faith is no different. Depending upon where you are on your journey with God here are some 'Next Steps' you could take:

COMMIT YOUR LIFE TO CHRIST

Commit to follow Jesus today!

RE-COMMIT TO CHRIST

It's never too late for a fresh start with faith.

DECLARE YOUR FAITH THROUGH BAPTISM

If you feel you've made a commitment to God but have never been baptised, then this could be a great step for you.

JOIN A LIFE GROUP

If you're not in one, there are a number of groups that meet in homes throughout the week to get to know each other better, look at the Bible and pray together.

BE PART OF THE MISSION

There are lots of ways you can use your gifts to serve God, his Church and the wider community. Speak to one of the church team to find out more.

All Hallows:

A church where we:

Love God

Love each other

Love the people of Cheadle

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