



60 Years Young

As we get older many people either do genuinely forget what their age is and many others really want to forget what their age is. For many the aging process is a concerning one. That is, until they get to a 'ripe old age' and everybody becomes very interested in how many years that they have lived.

In our modern western world being 60 years old is not that old anymore. It would have been in the not-too-distant past, but today it really isn't. Now compare that with churches, many of which have been around for centuries, and we realise that All Hallows really is still a very young church.

It was planted on Councillor Lane as more houses were built in this area, so as to serve the people of this community and be a witness to them of the saving love and power of Jesus Christ. Whilst we don't get everything right, doing these things has been our aim for generations now. We absolutely believe that what the people in our community need the most in all the world is to know Jesus, to know that he loves them, to know that he died for them so that their sins can be forgiven and to know that he has good plans and purposes for their lives.

Over 60 years on this plot faithful Christian people have cared for those in this community in a variety of different ways, showing the love of Jesus. Over 60 years faithful preachers have remained rooted in the Scriptures and declared God's amazing truths and how we can all be saved from sin through Jesus and become friends with God. Over 60 years faithful church members have spoken these things gently in conversations with others and demonstrated them in the way that they live. Over 60 years those coming to All Hallows have sought God's will for their lives and faithfully followed him in the direction that he has led them.

The aging process can be a painful and concerning one for many. But when there are so many past memories and things to celebrate it is good to stop and do so and to thank God for his faithfulness and kindness to us. The aging process isn't painful for All Hallows and we are still a young church, but 'Wow!' we have got so much to celebrate.

Paul

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60th Anniversary Celebrations



All Hallows Church, Cheadle



Saturday - 13th April 2024

- 1:30 Simple Family Treasure Hunt around Abney Hall Park
- 5:30 Family Meal – Delicious food is on offer with an after dinner guest speaker and hopefully some other entertainment.
- Invites have gone out to some of our ex-clergy and also linked missionaries and other beloved bad pennies we can't celebrate this without.

Sunday - 14th April 2024

- 10.00 Morning Service with Rev John Varty preaching
- Old fashioned Birthday Party, with party games and tea and cake.
- 6:30 Evening Service with Rev Rob McLaren preaching

All Hallows Church already existed before the building was opened 60 years ago. A church had been 'planted' from St Mary's, Cheadle in a public building. As that body of people grew a church building was built on this site, and formally dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Chester and the Rector of Cheadle on 11th April, 1964.

DATE	DAY	HOURS	SERVICE	OFFICIANTS	BY THE CURATE
11 th April 1964	Saturday	3.30pm	Dedication of All Hallows	The Lord Bishop of Chester & The Rector of Cheadle	

In those days the church building was what is now the church hall. What is now the church was built at the end of the 1960s and that was dedicated by the Bishop of Stockport and the Rector of Cheadle on 21st March 1970.

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21 st MARCH 1970	(SATURDAY)	3.30pm	DEDICATION OF ALL HALLOWS	THE BISHOP OF STOCKPORT & THE RECTOR OF CHEADLE	

All Hallows became a parish in its own right when it was Inaugurated on 6th March 1982. Up until that point the clergy were appointed as Curates, but Revd John Varty became the first Vicar of the Parish of All Hallows and St Philip's. It is great to welcome John back this weekend.

DATE	DAY	HOURS	SERVICE	OFFICIANTS	BY THE CURATE
6 th MARCH 1982	(SATURDAY)	3.00pm	INAUGURATION OF THE NEW PARISH OF CHEADLE ALL HALLOWS AND	THE LORD BISHOP OF STOCKPORT THE RIGHT REVEREND GORDON STRUTT B.D.	
			INSTITUTION & INDUCTION OF THE FIRST INCUMBENT THE REV JOHN E. VARTY		

You are invited to join us at:



All Hallows Church 60th Birthday Party



It's
Party
time

1964 - 2024



Sunday
14th April 2024

In the afternoon (1:30-4:30) we are throwing a 60th Birthday Party for our friends and neighbours, to celebrate the part All Hallows' has played in the Community over the last 60 years. Providing delicious food we will be joined by our friends from **Bread & Butties**, food will be provided for a **donation to meal vouchers for Ladybridge School holiday meals** and there will be **Party Games, Crafts, Face Painting, Children's Entertainer**

If you would like to join in with the celebrations then bring a birthday present, of meat, fish, fruit and vegetables all in **tins only** and we will pass all this on to Chelwood Food Bank

4 Reasons For Debt & How We Can Tackle Them

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Everything is so expensive these days, so it's easy for many of us to find ourselves in unmanageable debt. By recognising the causes of debt, we can gain a better understanding of the problem, prevent it and deal with it.

Low incomes

At Christians Against Poverty (CAP) we offer free, face-to-face debt advice and budgeting help. One of the main reasons our clients fall into debt is living on a low income. A lower regular income means less wiggle room to cope with rising costs.

We often don't realise what benefit support we could be entitled to. The free Turn2us benefits calculator on CAP's website at capuk.org/calculator is helping thousands of people to see if they are missing out on any vital income. Why not give it a try?

Unexpected circumstances

We've all had days where it feels like everything is going wrong and unexpected circumstances can have a massive impact on our finances. It could be that you've been made redundant, are going through a relationship breakdown, or a loved one has passed away, resulting in less household income. These types of situations can cause us both emotional and financial pain.

If you find yourself in debt that's unmanageable, the moneyhelper.org.uk website has a range of free support and you can find out what free services CAP is running in your local area at capuk.org/help.

Physical and mental health struggles

Many of us will have heard the phrase 'health is wealth', meaning your health is always the most important thing. I think most of us would agree this is true. It's also true that long-term illnesses or injuries that happen to us or a close family member can have a huge impact on our household's finances.

Being kind to yourself, seeking professional, medical help early and readjusting your budget as quickly as you can following any changes to your regular income can be really helpful. This will give you a clearer picture of where your finances are at and help you make productive decisions.

In need of budgeting support

Budgeting and learning to save are essential life skills, but many of us have never been taught how to manage our finances and avoid debt. When things go wrong, not having this vital knowledge can make it a lot harder to deal with situations that impact our income.

Building up a savings buffer of around three to six months of your monthly income can bring you peace of mind. Even if you think you know how to budget and save, it's always great to learn new skills. Consider taking part in free money coaching to grow your knowledge. You can access free budgeting resources and find out more at capuk.org/budgeting.

Christians Against Poverty (CAP) is a UK charity working with over 800 affiliated churches to deliver debt help, budgeting guidance, support to find work, life skills education and more. Visit capuk.org to find out more.

The Green Zone



An average standard pine tree produces about 10,000 sheets of paper; so one ream (500 sheets) uses about 5% of a tree. Worldwide, in the last 40 years paper usage has increased by about 400%. This all means that it is estimated that over 200 million trees are felled every day to meet global paper needs.

Many of those trees will have been planted in renewable ways, with trees being planted when others are felled. However, clearly a significant number won't have been. This is catastrophic to the needs of reducing carbon from the atmosphere.

So, reducing our paper usage is our Green Zone Challenge this month. And specifically where possible we should RECEIVE PAPERLESS BILLS.

Supporting Families

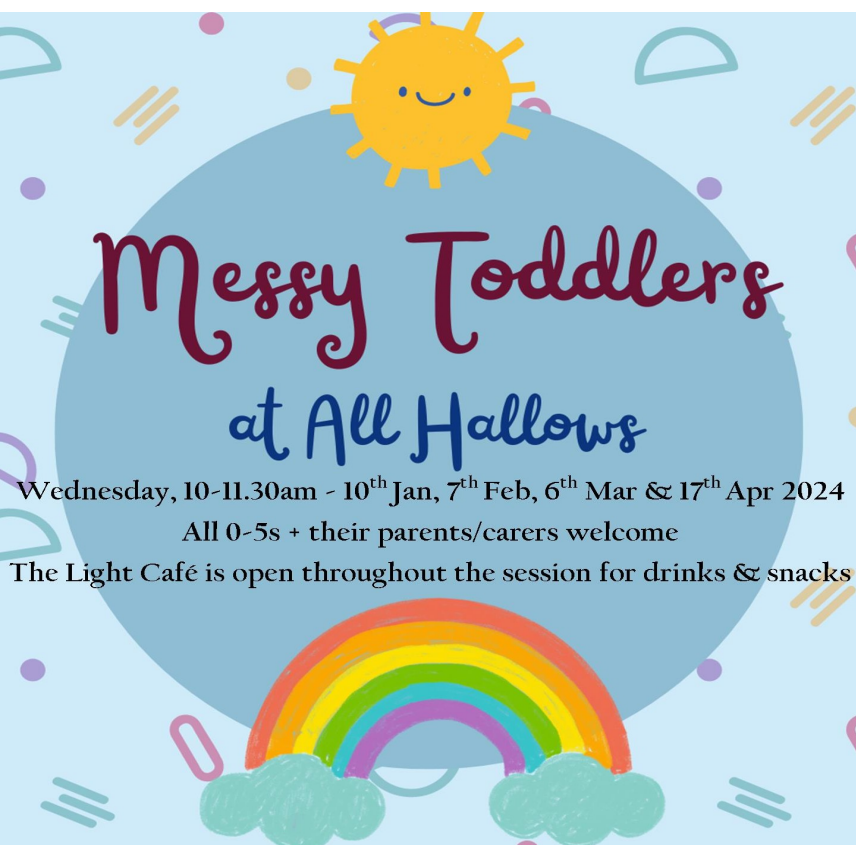
A few years ago our church council (PCC) agreed 3 specific areas of outreach that we sensed God calling us to engage more in. That doesn't mean that we won't do other things, but as we can't do everything these 3 things would be our focus. They are supporting (1) the socially isolated, (2) those struggling financially and (3) families and young people.

During the various lockdowns Catherine got us set up as a Christian Against Poverty Debt Centre, and we have been building that work ever since. Rosemary has taken over as the Debt Centre Manager since Catherine's curacy ended and there is some information about CAP on the opposite page.

As soon as we were able to do so after the various lockdowns we set up a community café called The Light Café, doing what we can to help people who are socially isolated. This can be retired people or others who don't get to mix with others very much. That takes place most Wednesdays during the day, which isn't great for those who work. So, our monthly Social Night is also open to anybody who would like to come along (but those under 18 must be accompanied by an adult) [Details on Page 7].

All of these different activities will, by their nature, help families in some way too. But, we also wanted to specifically aim at supporting parents with children and teenagers. We started up a new youth club because we became aware that since the lockdowns a number of activities for teenagers had closed down. We also realised that there aren't as many places for new parents to meet together in order to support each other and work through parenthood together. So, we started up our monthly Messy Toddlers. These activities are available to any who would like to come along.

But, we are conscious that there is still so much more that could be done. So, we are currently looking at activities such as a midweek children's club, parenting courses, youth Bible studies and more. As is so often the problem in the voluntary sector we need to find people who are willing and able to run these different activities. But, we will be talking about them in a little more detail at our annual meeting later in April. We want to support families even more. We just need to work out the best and most sustainable ways of doing that.



I would like to say a big, “Hello” to you all. My name is Phil and I was asked last year to come to All Hallows Church as part of training with Church Army. Over the last few months I have been dropping in and out of different groups at All Hallows, such as the Café etc.

In my normal day-to-day life I work for Waitrose as part of the nights team and picking team, getting our customers’ food orders ready for delivery out to them.

I have been attending and worshipping at churches from my late teens. At first it was with the Methodist Church and then when I married Hazel and we move to Cheadle 30 years ago, we have attended Anglican churches. Over that time I have supported the church leadership and helped in many ways. I have also at times asked about training within the church to fulfil God’s call on my life to serve him.

My placement is with the Bishop of Stockport, Church Army and All Hallows, and I am here to support the work of the church in its local community.



4 Pillars of the Early Church



In our newsletters so far this year I’ve been introducing some shapes, which correspond with some important principles for us to consider as modern day Christian people. So far we have looked at 5 Marks of Mission (a pentagon) and 3 Great Commandments (a triangle). This month we are looking at 4 Pillars of the Early Church (a square). In the coming months we will be looking at the numbers 2, 6 and 1 as well [they are in the order that they are as they fit better with what is happening that month].

As we celebrate 60 years of life and ministry at All Hallows in April it is worth us thinking about the early church in the Book of Acts, in the Bible. This church was just a few months old and were working out what was most important. Acts 2:42 says, *“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.”*

So, 4 things that they devoted themselves to. Firstly, *‘the apostles’ teaching’*. They wanted to know more about Jesus and the Scriptures, so that they could grow in their faith and become more like Jesus. Secondly, *‘to the fellowship’*. This was about far more than having a cuppa together after a church service; it was about ‘doing life’ together. In the following verses we read how they even shared their possessions between each other, such was this fellowship that they had. And as part of their fellowship they also thirdly devoted themselves *‘to the breaking of bread’* and fourthly *‘to prayer’*. Breaking of bread would have referred to eating meals together, and as part of that to celebrating Holy Communion together. They would also have prayed together as they ate meals together. The living of their faith interacted with their everyday lives.

In the modern world we often separate our Christian lives from everything else - maybe it’s time to put that right.

What's On?

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

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APRIL 2024

Sunday 7th
10:00 Morning Service
6:30 Evening Communion Service

Monday 8th
10:00 Zoom Prayers

Saturday 13th
1:30 Anniversary Treasure Hunt
5:30 Anniversary Family Meal

Sunday 14th
10:00 Morning Anniversary Service,
with Revd John Varty
1:30 Community 60th Birthday Party
6:30 Evening Anniversary Service,
with Revd Rob McLaren

Monday 15th
10:00 Zoom Prayers

Wednesday 17th
9:00-1:30 The Light Café
10:00-11:30 Messy Toddlers
1:00-1:15 Pause for Thought
7:00-8:30 Youth Club

Sunday 21st
10:00 Communion Service and
Sunday School
11:30 APCM
6:30 *No Evening Service*

Monday 22nd
10:00 Zoom Prayers

Wednesday 24th
9:00-1:30 Light Café
1:00-1:15 Pause for Thought
7:00-8:30 Youth Club

Thursday 25th
7:30-9:00 Social Night

Sunday 28th
10:00 Service and Sunday School
6:30 Evening Service

Monday 29th
10:00 Zoom Prayers

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

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

life

GROUPS

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

We 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.

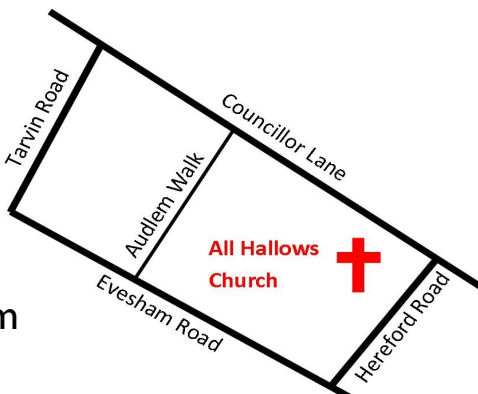
BE PART OF THE MISSION

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.

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