



# Trinity Life

One  
Another

## September 2018

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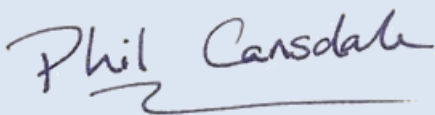
# "It's life, but not as we know it.."

## Welcome to a slightly new look publication for Trinity Churches.

We've just had a conversation what to call this. I'm never known for my brevity, but we've been looking for something catchy and short. What to do? "News" sounded like we're trying to rival the daily tabloids, "update" felt too vague, and "magazine" sounded too long.

We've opted for "**Trinity Life**" in the end, which I hope might stick. "Life" invites us to a sense of family and fellowship across the congregations which make up the parish. It reminds us of God's call to whole-life and life-long discipleship, and something of what we've been learning recently about discipleship at every age and stage of life. "Life" also beckons us into Jesus' call to "life, and life in all its fullness" from John 10:10. What a great prayer for one another this September season.

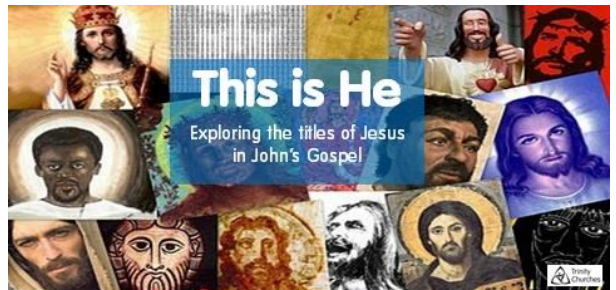
So read on. Be encouraged, get inspired, and I hope join in with what God is doing in the life of our churches and our parish. With my thanks, and prayers, as always, as together we "live for Jesus, love one another, and set a table for the world."



Revd Phil Cansdale, Vicar



Sunday mornings in September



Sunday evenings in September and October

## Regular Sunday services across the parish

### Holy Trinity Meole Brace (HT)

9.00am — 10.15am

A more traditional service of Holy Communion

10.45am—12pm

A more contemporary morning service

6.30pm - 8pm

An informal evening service

### Christ the King Radbroke Green (CTK)

10.30am—11.45am

A more contemporary service meeting in Radbrook Community Centre

### Church in the Meet Place (CMP)

11.00am—11.45am

Meeting first Sunday of every month in the Meet Place, Meole Estate

# Sundays in September 2018

## Sunday 2nd September

Morning Services: **"Pursuing the grace of God"**  
Speakers: Steve Alston (HT), Keith Moore (CTK), Shirley Stevens (CMP)  
Readings: Jonah 4:1-11, John 7:1-13

Evening service: **Presence**  
Hosted by Phil Cansdale

## Sunday 9th September

Morning Services: **"Love one another"**  
Speakers: Phil Cansdale (HT), Phil Cansdale (CTK)  
Readings: 1 John 4: 7-12, John 13:1-14, 31-35

Evening service: **"Jesus of Nazareth"**  
Speaker: Charlotte Gompertz  
Reading: John 1: 43-46

## Sunday 16th September

Morning Services: **"Accept one another"**  
Speakers: Phillip Gration (HT), Charlotte Gompertz (CTK)  
Readings: Romans 15: 1-13, Luke 21: 1-4

Evening service: **"Lamb of God"**  
Speaker: Valerie Pitt  
Reading: John 1: 29-34, Genesis 22: 1-14

## Sunday 23rd September

Morning Services: **"Encourage one another"**  
Speakers: Neville Willerton (HT), Judith Drury (CTK)  
Readings: Hebrews 10: 19-25, Luke 7: 1-10

Evening service: **"Son of Man"**  
Speaker: Alex Aldous  
Readings: Daniel 7: 9-14, John 9: 1-12

## Sunday 30th September

Morning Services: **"Serve one another"**  
Speakers: Phil Cansdale (HT), Steve Alston (CTK)  
Readings: 1 Peter 4: 7-11, Mark 10: 35-45

Evening service: **"Messiah"**  
Speaker: Adam Gompertz  
Reading: John 4: 7-26

Don't forget our  
weekly midweek  
service of Holy  
Communion,  
Thursday mornings  
at 10am at Holy  
Trinity Church

# Youth and Children

Summer 2018 saw some young people attend Soul Survivor Festival - see website for more details and pictures.

Meanwhile September sees new groups begin for children and youth across the parish. For some this includes Sunday morning **Trinity Kids**, **Pathfinders** and **Anon**. For others it is midweek events, including Monday (Meole Brace) and Thursday (Radbrook) **toddler groups**, **Thursday Night Youth Group**, **school assemblies**, as well as Monday and Tuesday nights "**Life Groups**" for different ages and stages. There really is something for everyone!

For more info, talk to **Craig Silcock** (Youth and Young Adult Minister), **Judith Clarkson** (Childrens' Minister) or **Carol Booles** (Pre-School Worker)

**Messy Church** is an amazing way of doing church for all ages. We guarantee a warm welcome, great fun, and an amazing opportunity to explore grow as a Christian.

**NEW Messy Church Meole Estate: Sunday 16th September, 9.15am till 10.15am** in Meet Place.

**Messy Church Meole Brace: 6th September, 4.30pm to 6pm** in Trinity Centre.

**A Little Bit Messy** each Thursday in Café Connect from 3.30pm.



## Not to be missed - The Alpha Course

# Begin The Adventure

#TryAlpha

Alpha

Alpha 2018 kicks off on Wednesday 3rd October, 7pm in the Trinity Centre.  
Usual blend of food, time with friends, and exploring faith.  
Who might you invite and bring with you?

# Events and activities coming up soon

## Wednesday 12th September

### TALKING JESUS

Many of us would love to share our faith, but find talking about Jesus difficult.

Hosted by Keith and Amal Moore, three Wednesday evenings – 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> September. 7.30pm to 9.15pm in Trinity Centre.

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## Saturday 15th September

### All-age Community Fun Day, Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September

11am-4pm, Radbrook Community Centre

Join us for face painting, crafts, food & fun!



Our now-annual event in Radbrook Green, a community fun day for all the family. Face painting, craft activities, food and fun all go together to make a great afternoon for all ages and stages of life.

## Sunday 23rd September

Want to get to know people in the Church over great food? Then come along to:

### Big Sunday Lunch

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September.  
For more information on booking please speak to Steve Alston



Looking to make new friends, build community, and eat food together? Every couple of months on a Sunday a few different groups meet for Big Sunday lunch. Interested in joining one? Let us know and we'll fix you up with some people.

## Thursday 4th October



### Day-trip

National Memorial Arboretum & Lichfield Cathedral

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October, 9.15am to 7.45pm

Tickets are limited, so please book early to avoid disappointment. Available from website, or church office.

Come and join our coach excursion to National Memorial Arboretum and to Lichfield Cathedral. Leaving Meole Brace at 9.15am, returning by 7.45pm. Numbers are limited so please book ASAP

## Saturday / Sunday 6 and 7 Oct

### HARVEST EVENTS

Join us for:  
**Community Apple Day**  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October  
9am-4pm

**Harvest Sunday**  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October across the parish



A weekend of celebrations, with Apple Day on Saturday from 12.30pm, and the usual mix of apple-related crafts, food and fun. Then harvest celebrations across the parish on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October.

Go to [www.trinitychurches.org](http://www.trinitychurches.org) for more details or where necessary to sign up, or ring the Church Office on 01743 362399

## Longer term radar

In a week or two's time the autumn issue of **Connect 2** will be arriving, which goes out to the whole parish. Delivering these around the parish really is a team effort. Can you help us? Taking one road makes such a difference.

Looking further ahead plans are well underway for Harvest 2018, with **Community Apple Day** on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> and **harvest celebrations** on 7<sup>th</sup> October. They say "celebration is good for the soul", as is the hog roast served at Apple Day! A week later, on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October, we're hosting a morning for Shropshire Churches hosted by **New Wine** on **praying for each other**, and developing prayer ministry in the life of a local church. We'd love to see you at that.

Finally November sees **Remembrance**, and 100 years since the finish of WW1. We're working hard towards services on 11<sup>th</sup> November, and involving people of all ages from the local community. Don't forget the prayer resources some of us are using, [www.remembrance100.co.uk](http://www.remembrance100.co.uk)

## This Time Tomorrow

### Name:

Chris Haigh

### This Time Tomorrow?

This time tomorrow I'll be visiting wonderful Walsall, checking in with the Sports and Arts departments for the University of Wolverhampton.

### Joys and challenges?

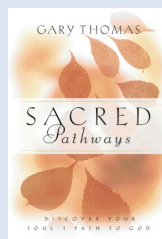
I love being a project manager, and I'm currently responsible for transforming the way that the whole University approaches creating timetables and scheduling teaching.

### Something to Pray?

Pray for me & the 23,000 students at the University, that they grow as individuals as well as in knowledge - and that they do good work in society (hopefully as a result of a perfectly scheduled teaching experience!).

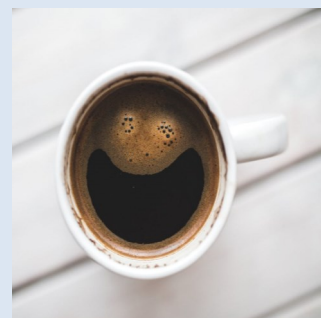
## Resources for the journey

In his book, *Sacred Pathways* Gary Thomas goes through 9 different spiritual 'temperaments'. As well as identifying which one(s) you gravitate towards in your walk with God you will find ideas to freshen your spiritual routine. In this new 'term' or 'season' why not think about adopting a different spiritual habit? It could be taking a walk along the river to hear God clearer, using some words of liturgy to start your day or it might be visiting a local cathedral to let your senses get caught up in wonder. This book is a great resource to better understand church life and different forms of worship.



## Regular Hospitality in September

There are lots of opportunities to meet up together each week. **Café Connect** is open from 9am daily, offering a warm welcome, great food and a listening ear at the heart of Radbrook Green. **Trinity Table** is on Tuesday 4th Sept from 12.30pm in the Trinity, **Radbrook Afternoon Tea** is on Wednesday 19th Sept from 2.30pm in Radbrook Community Centre, and weekly **Tuesday morning coffee** continues in church with fresh scones from 10.30am.



**Spotlight on:**

## Café Connect Refurb



The refurb of Café Connect – part of our “Living Stones” appeal – continues, albeit slowly. We’ve asked Co-op, our landlord there, for the work to be carried out, but they aren’t currently able to give us the authority to go ahead with the work until their own refurbishment plans for the wider store have been approved. In the meantime we’ve released some more funding for some interim purchases which will help develop the café in the short and medium term. Pop in and take a look!

**Spotlight on:**

## Local Schools

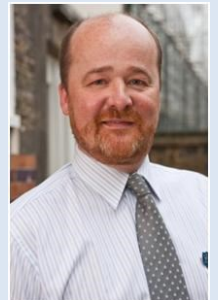
September is always a time of new beginnings in local schools. For many children it sees new shoes, new classes and new challenges, as well as a few from here go off to university or further education. How might you pray for or encourage families with children and young people who you know?

For those who work in schools September also sees a return to a busy term. For Meole Brace Primary, our church school next door, September brings the arrival of a new Headteacher, Mr Henry Bray, and a new deputy, Mrs Hayley Lakin. Our prayers for them, and the whole school, as they begin a new season of life.

**Spotlight on:**

## Mission Partners

One of our current mission partners is Neville, who works for Church Army as their National Operations Manager. After a period of sabbatical in July, he’s continuing to see new projects and new partnerships spring up across the UK, with 25 Centres of Mission in the UK and Ireland by the end of the year. Neville asks for prayer for good evangelist appointments in the new centres of mission, for new team members, and for his family as he travels for much of the week. More details at [www.churcharmy.org.uk](http://www.churcharmy.org.uk)



## Spotlight on: Small Groups

Looking to grow faith, make friends, and get to know God better? Across the parish there are about twenty small groups of people who meet regularly. Whilst groups vary in terms of ages and stages of life, as well as location and meeting days, they share a commitment to what we call the 4 W’s: welcome, worship, word, and witness.

Most groups begin to get going again for the autumn the first few days of September. Some are following our sermon series, others use their own resources. If you are not in a small group but are interested in joining one please talk to Dave Latcham.



# Getting involved

Interested? Contact staff team,  
the Church Office,  
or website, for more details.

**Serve? Looking to grow faith? Make friends? Use gifts and develop new ones?** There are lots of different ways to get involved, and a number of areas of church and community life we're currently looking for support. How about:

**Set-up team** to help with CTK on a monthly basis  
**Café Connect** - looking for sessional helpers on various days of the week  
**Trinity Kids leaders** - one session per month.  
**Tech Operators** - who can help with our worship at 1045am  
**Scone-bakers** for Tuesday morning coffee at Holy Trinity



**Welcome to our new treasurer, John Mowbray.** Find out more about regular giving - and our stewardship - by talking to one of the team.

**Looking to be encouraged and grow faith?** Don't forget Illuminate Bookshop on Wyle Cop.



**Pick up a September prayer diary**, with encouragements and reminders of what to pray each day, plus some suggested daily readings from the Bible. And don't forget the **monthly CTK prayer** meeting on Monday 3rd September, 7.30pm - 8.30pm in Café Connect.

## Contacting us

**The Church Office.** The Trinity Centre, Meole Brace, Shrewsbury, SY3 9HF.  
Tel: 01743 362399. Email: [info@trinitychurches.org](mailto:info@trinitychurches.org). Open 9am - 3pm weekdays.

**The Trinity Centre.** Tel: 01743 242660. [helen.hinton@trinitychurches.org](mailto:helen.hinton@trinitychurches.org)

**Revd Phil Cansdale (Vicar & Area Dean of Shrewsbury)** Tel: 01743 231744  
[phil.cansdale@trinitychurches.org](mailto:phil.cansdale@trinitychurches.org) . Or come along to the weekly "Meet the Vicar" sessions.

**Ministry Leadership Team:** Revd Phil Cansdale (Vicar), Revd Charlotte Gompertz (Curate),  
Revd Valerie Pitt (Associate Minister), Revd Charles Ruxton (Associate Minister)  
Craig Silcock (Youth & Young Adult Minister), Judith Clarkson (Children's Minister),  
Keith and Amal Moore (Pioneer Community Ministers), William Small (Operations Manager)

MEET THE VICAR this month takes place in the Trinity Centre on Wednesday 5th from 12pm-1pm,  
Tuesday 11th from 6.30pm-7.30pm, Monday 17th from 11.30pm-12.30pm, and Friday 27th from 2pm-3pm.

**For more info and lots more: [www.trinitychurches.org](http://www.trinitychurches.org)**

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