

TRINITY LIFE

Summer 2024

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Dreaming?

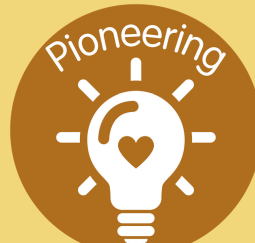
As a church we've been doing some dreaming recently. What sort of church community are we, or might we become over the next season of our life together. What sort of values do we want to live by which provide a sense of purpose, passion and priority?

At this year's Annual Meeting we began to give a response to this, and more to follow over the next few months on Sundays, midweek small groups etc.

Here's the short version:

**In all that we do at Trinity Churches
we want to be more like Jesus.**

Rooted in scripture, open to the spirit, energised by prayer, we live out this calling through five distinctive values as below. Look out for more on Sunday mornings coming up, or take a look at our website with more resources to come. And join with us, and pray with us, as we keep dreaming from here...



You can watch this year's APCM online on our website.
Or find out more about the ongoing work at:
www.trinitychurches.org/values

Trinity Churches?

We are a thriving community of Christians in Meole Brace, Radbrook Green and the wider Shrewsbury area. Together we are growing faith, proclaiming hope, and living the love of Jesus.



KNOW - PRAY - SERVE - JOIN - THANKS

Thanks so much to everyone who came to the **RESOUNDworship** concert in May. The range of songs featuring both lament and hope seemed absolutely right, and very timely. You can find out more about their work – and how to support them – at www.resoundworship.org.

Excitement is already building for **Ride and Stride** again this year on Saturday 7th September as we begin to encourage people to get involved. Not only does it get you out of the house in the lovely weather, but you get to visit some incredible churches with fascinating architecture and history and raise money for us and local churches at the same time!

Following the success of the trip to Hereford last year we are planning another trip in September, this time to **Coventry**. We are hoping to go to Kenilworth Castle and then on to Coventry Cathedral for evensong etc. Details and dates coming soon.

At our **Annual meeting** we were pleased to elect our three existing Churchwardens for another twelve months. Do please pray for Jenny Surl, Anne Hasnip and Erica Staples as they serve in this way, as well as Juan Pablo Castaneda who was elected onto the PCC.

Thank you to everyone who took part in this year's ten days of prayer, "**Come Holy Spirit.**" We found different ways to be praying together, from daily online gatherings to the Trinity Centre prayer room, resources to use at home to the prayer walk around the churchyard. You can still find some of the resources on our website at www.trinitychurches.org/prayer.

A reminder that we now have a **Food Bank collection point**, by the servery at the back of church, together with a list of suitable items. Further information from Mike Haddaway.



Contact the Church Office on 01743 362399
Or catch up on latest news - and read the weekly email -
www.trinitychurches.org/news

Sunday Gatherings

Holy Trinity Meole Brace (HT)

9am – 10.15am. A more traditional service of Holy Communion

11am – 12.15pm. A contemporary morning service

6.30pm - 7.45pm. An informal evening service in the Trinity Centre



Christ the King Radbrook (CTK)

10.30am–11.45am. A contemporary service meeting in Radbrook Community Centre

We are also supporting our neighbouring parish of

Holy Trinity Belle Vue (HTBV)

10.30am–11.45am. A contemporary morning service at Holy Trinity Belle Vue, Belle Vue Road.



Sunday Themes



We're going to start with looking at the five values at the heart of church life, and how together we are called to be more like Jesus.

Over August we're turning to the Psalms, looking at how the Psalms speak with an amazing array of emotions and honesty. How might they help us worship and pray in every area of life and in all situations?



Over the summer we will be walking through the Sermon on the Mount, and this hugely inspiring yet challenging teaching about life in the kingdom of God. With big issues like humility, forgiveness, care for our neighbours, Jesus encourages people to choose God's way of love.



For Church online go to "Trinity Churches Shrewsbury" on Facebook or
www.trinitychurches.org/live

SUNDAY SERVICES

Date	Morning Congregations (9 & 11am HTMB, 10.30am CTK, 10.30am HTBV)	Evening Congregation (6.30pm HTMB)
2nd June	Joseph reconciles Gen 46:1-7, 28-30, 47:7-11, Mk 2:23 - 3:6	Presence
9th June	Alls well that ends well? Gen 50:1-15, Mark 3:20-35	Dealing with anger Matthew 5:21-26
16th June	Pioneering Genesis 12:1-9. Matt 28:16-20	Sticking together Matthew 5:27-32
23rd June	Generous 1 Chron 29:10-20. Matt 6:19-24	Prospering with a clear conscience. Matt 5:33-42
30th June	Authentic 2 Cor 4:1-12. Matt 23:1-12	Loving your enemies Matthew 5:43-48
7th July	Hospitable Heb 13:1-3. Lk 14:1-14	Presence
14th July	All-ages 1 Sam 3:1-12. Matt 19:13-14	Blessing God and others Matthew 6:1-15
21st July	Bishop Sarah (Shrewsbury) at 9am and 11am	Investing in eternity Matthew 6:16-24
28th July	The God of all Psalm 145, John 6:1-21	Handling worry Matthew 6:25-34
4th August	In all of life Psalm 34, John 6:24-35	Presence
11th August	Together Psalm 122, John 6:35, 41-51	Making the right choices Matthew 7:1-12
18th August	Under Pressure Psalm 143, John 6:51-58	Everyday choices Matthew 7:13-23
25th August	In Failure Psalm 51, John 6:56-69	Strong foundations Matthew 7:24-29

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There are many activities for children and youth across our life at Trinity. For Sunday gatherings most people start off at the 11am at Meole Brace Church, where Trinity Kids and Trinity Youth age-related groups meet each week. On the second Sunday of each month at 11am is an all-ages celebration.

CHURCH ONLINE

You can join us online for one service every week which you can find on Facebook, or a link off our website at www.trinitychurches.org. We usually livestream the 11am service, though on the second Sunday of the month we usually livestream the 9am instead.

COMMUNION

Our usual service pattern is weekly communion at 9am, then monthly at other services. (1st Sunday of month at 6.30pm, third Sunday of month 11am and HTBV, and fourth Sunday of month at CTK).

There are also two midweek services of Holy Communion taking place, 10am on first Thursday of month Belle Vue, and 10am on third Thursday of month Meole Brace.

FEATURED EVENT: FUN IN THE SUN

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July and
August 2024

EVENTS COMING UP INCLUDE:

- Pudding Party •
- Picnic in the Park •
- Evening Walk •
- Pizza Night •
- Summer Walk •
- Beach Trip to Barmouth •

More information to come.
If you have a great idea for an event,
let one of the team know!





Thai night with the Fletchers

The Fletcher family are hosting an evening on Friday 28th June in the Trinity Centre. As they prepare to go back to Thailand in early August this is an opportunity to share a Thai meal together, enjoy a Thai-related quiz, and to find out more about their work in Bangkok. Tickets will be available via our website.



Ian Budd's Ordination

Come and support our new curate, Ian Budd, and his wife Kate and son James as Ian is ordained Deacon in Lichfield Cathedral. Starts 6pm at Lichfield. Please register for tickets on website. We won't be arranging lift shares, but if it would be helpful to you to be able to offer or to receive a lift then we will try to put people in touch with one another.



Confirmations

We're really looking forward to our 2024 Confirmation Service, taking place on Sunday 21st July June at 11am. The service will be hosted by Rt Revd Sarah Bullock, the Bishop of Shrewsbury. If you're interested in being confirmed - or in being baptised / renewing your baptism vows - can you let us know ASAP.



New Wine Summer Conference

Each year a good number of us from Trinity Churches head to the New Wine summer conference. For people of all ages and stages of faith, it's a place of refreshing, renewing and relaxing. In 2024 we're excited to be back at the Bath and West Showground in Shepton Mallet, and for one week only...



Holiday at Home

We are excited once again to be hosting Holiday at Home this year. This is a fun packed three day event including games, music, food and fellowship. On the Wednesday we have our annual trip to Barmouth Beach complete with fish and chips which is the highlight of many people's year! Come along and lets be together. Please book in via website or Church Office.



More details from Church Office
Find out more and sign up

www.trinitychurches.org/whatson

CHILDREN AND YOUTH AT TRINITY

As part of my Preschool Worker role, I was keen to trial a new group which I've called Prayer Sensory.

My inspiration came largely from a lovely baby group I used to take Caleb to called Baby Sensory and a book called Using Christian Contemplative Practice with Children. The book explores ways to help children engage with prayer in meaningful and creative ways, for example, by using movement, our senses, art, and the outdoors. The book challenged me not to limit a child's ability to attain stillness (not necessarily physical) and intimacy with God, so I wanted to give some of the ideas a go!

I put together three sessions, the first of which we had in May, to run as an opportunity to experiment together with preschool children and their parents. The format involves a short welcome prayer using movement and a giant scrunchie – a handy tool for a Preschool Worker (google it if you're not sure what it is!); three short prayer activities, such as drawing in the sand, bubble prayers, or a simple prayer labyrinth; and a gentle worship song with calming lights to finish. My hope and prayer is that everyone – baby, toddler or adult – can engage with the activities in some way and experience more of God's love and presence. You'd be so welcome to join us – please sign up on the church website as numbers are limited. The next two sessions are: Friday 21st June and Monday 15th July.



More details from Cerys Hughes (0s-11s)

www.trinitychurches.org

Trinity Youth in April and May

This month is 'moving up' month for Trinity Youth! The Year 6s are joining Pathfinders, and in the next couple of weeks the Year 9s and 10s will head up to Anon.

Tuesday Night Youth continues from 6.30–7.30pm weekly, and Sunday Night Youth is now meeting on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. And we are all looking forward to our Summer Social at Wrekin Forest School at the start of July.

Please be praying for us as we advertise for a Youth Minister...and in the meantime, if you have any questions about funeral ministry, please do speak to Fi Iddon.



Children & Families this

SUMMER



Toddler Groups – Every Week in Term Time
Monday's 1.30 – 3 @ The Trinity Centre
Thursdays 10 – 11.30 @ Radbrook Community Centre



Little Buds

Toddler Church – Second Friday at 10.30am @
The Trinity Centre

14th June | 12th July



Messy Church – First Thursday at 4.30pm @
The Trinity Centre

6th June | 4th July



0-3's Group – Every Week in Term Time
Wednesdays – 9.30 – 11 @ Holy Trinity Belle Vue



Messy Church – First Sunday at 9am @
Holy Trinity Belle Vue

2nd June | 7th July

www.trinitychurches.org

It has been great to get some feedback on our resources section, and some of the different ways in which people are checking out faith and going deeper in discipleship. Here's a few more ideas for some summer enjoyment:



Biblical Time Machine is a podcast travelling back in time to explore the real history of the people, places and events of the Old Testament, New Testament and everything in between. Or if you want a return of an old favourite, and something fun, then try out **Confessions podcast with Simon Mayo**, which has little to no spiritual content apart from the title, but can be good for a summer laugh!



available from your fave podcast app



With the election recently called "**Those who show up**" is a book which has inspired many people into public service. It won't get you to vote for a particular party, but might engage you with how God cares deeply about our national and political life.

For a different look on society, culture and whatever else try "**The air we breathe**" by Glen Scrivener, who talks about how the Christian revolution has shaped the modern values we take for granted, and how it continues to shape how we make sense of the world around. (For those familiar with Tom Holland's amazing work this has also been called "Dominion for Dummies")

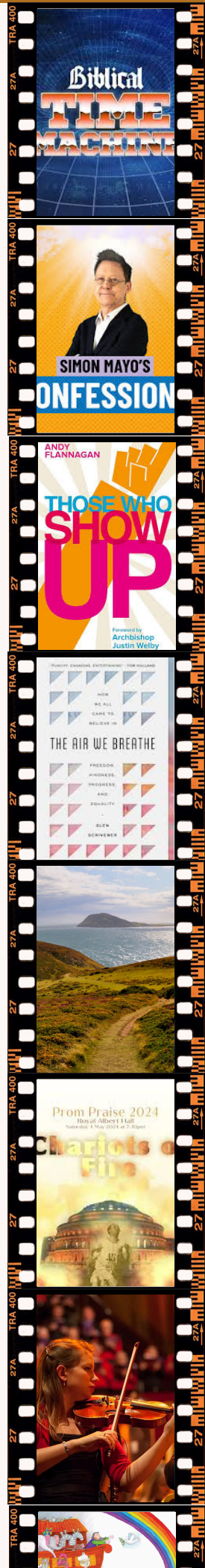


www.illuminatebooks.org.uk



If you didn't catch it when it first went out, **Pilgrimage** is a BBC iPlayer programme with celebrities on a journey of a lifetime. In the latest edition people of various religious backgrounds did the nearby pilgrim walk through north Wales and ended at Bardsey Island.

For music lovers why not watch "**Prom Praise - Chariots of Fire Live from the Royal Albert Hall**" which features 2+ hours of music, drama, dance, speech etc. Hosted by Dan Walker and generously hosted by All Souls Langham Place, you can watch it on youtube.

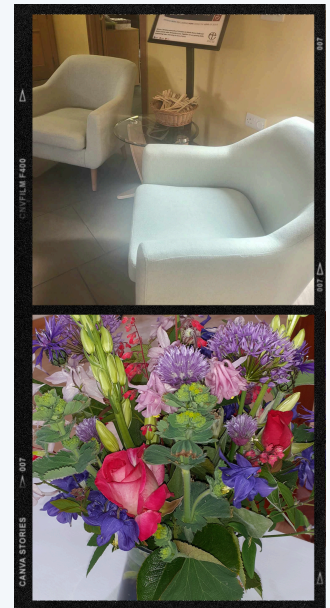


The Trinity Centre and Cafe Connect

Here at the Trinity Centre we have an amazing and dedicated team of Welcome Assistants and we have loved celebrating with them everything from the 17th birthdays of our younger team to the well earned retirements of one of our more experienced members of the team. We love having such a wide variety of ages and people on our team to welcome you.

Don't forget that church members and regular bookers get our 10% discount on bookings so don't miss out!

More details about the Trinity Centre phone 01743 242660. Or:
www.trinitychurches.org/TC



Keep in touch?

We are so aware in a larger church - and with different congregations - that keeping in touch about what's going is sometimes difficult. Here are six top tips:

1. **Receive the weekly email.** If you don't receive this drop the office a line and we'll add you to the list. Normally coming out on Thursday or so it begins with a short reflection from one of the staff team, and includes details of what's coming up in our life at Trinity.
2. **Don't forget www.trinitychurches.org.** We try and keep the website up to date, and includes an events diary where you can book into events or find out what's coming up. Also there are children and youth pages, staff contacts, giving etc. Watch out for revamped Trinity Centre website in September.
3. **Find us on Facebook "Trinity Churches Shrewsbury"**, where we'll be posting pictures, news, Sunday service videos etc.
4. **Give the Office a ring** on 01743 362399, where you'll most likely find the phone answered by Shannon, Kevin, Helen, Jenny or one of the other team who will be able to help you.
5. **Get your ChurchSuite login**, which gives access to your personalised church record online, helps you manage details like rotas, events, giving etc. Contact the Church Office if you want us to enable this for you.
6. **Stay awake in church** when it comes to the "church family news", which might not be everyone's favourite part of the service but is part of trying to talk about what's important, and what's coming up.



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Minister), Keith and Amal Moore (Pioneer Community Ministers),
Kevin Pilsbury (Operations Manager)



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