

Events for the week 21st — 27th May 2017

Sun 21 st	10.30am	Choir Practice	Choir Vestry
Mon 22 nd	2.00pm 7.00pm	Home Group Church Walk	10 Badger Road (see inside) See inside for details
Wed 24 th	6.30pm 7.30pm	Junior Choir Practice Full Choir Practice	Choir Vestry Choir Vestry
Thu 25 th	10.00am 10.30am 6.00pm 7.30pm	Toddler Group Holy Communion Ascension Day Launch of <i>Thy Kingdom Come</i> prayer initiative Bell ringing	St Michael's St Michael's St Michael's Bell Tower
Fri 26 th	9.10am	Contemplative Prayer	Savage Chapel
Sat 27 th	2.00pm	Wedding of Steven Wrigley & Jess Hewitt	St Michael's

Services next Sunday (28th May: The Seventh Sunday of Easter)

- 9.30am Storytelling Service
- 11.00am Treacle Service



Scout and Guide Groups

Macclesfield Parish Church Scout and Guide Group provides youth activities throughout the week for young people aged from 5 - 26 as well as flexible volunteering opportunities for adults. For more details visit www.mpcsg.co.uk or email enquiries@mpcsg.co.uk



Planned Giving Scheme

St Michael's operates a Planned Giving Scheme, whereby people are encouraged to make a pledge to contribute financially to the work and mission of the Church, making our budgeting easier. It is possible to do this either by using a bank standing order or by using special envelopes which can be given in during the Sunday service. If you would like to join the scheme, please see the Treasurer, Mike Strutt, or any one of the sidespeople.

Please remember these activities in your prayers this week. For more information about any of them, please speak to one of the wardens who should be able to help you.

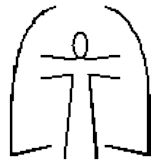
The Collect for the Sixth Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ,
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father.



St Michael & All Angels

Macclesfield Team Ministry



Our Purpose

To journey inward and upward to God, whom we know in Jesus,
To journey outward to other people and to all creation.

Welcome

If you are visiting, we hope you feel at home. A welcome card is available near the entrance or from a sides-person. If you are new, please complete one and hand it to a sides-person, so that we can keep in touch.

Sunday 21st May 2017

9.30am Storytelling Service with Holy Communion

Leader David
Storyteller Gemma
Story Jesus commissions the disciples
Songs All heaven declares
Your will, O Lord

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Hymns
MP 16 All my hope
Song Book 19 I, the Lord
Song Book 13 Faithful one
MP 486 Now thank we all our God

Roots Leaders Chris & Rachel
Roots Passage John 14:15-21

12.30pm Baptisms

11.00am Holy Communion

Speaker Revd David Wightman
Leader Mike Strutt
Bible Readings Acts 17:22-31
John 14:15-21

Ellianna Postlewhite
Penelope Birch

	Refreshments are served between the 9.30 and 11.00 services and after the 11.00 service, and also after our monthly Choral Evensong.		Roots: Our young people's groups in the 9.30 and 11.00am services are known as "Roots". The young people leave and return to the main service at given points.
	We are a Fairtrade Church committed to using only Fairtrade tea & coffee.		Sunbeams: on the first & third Sunday of the month, the Sunbeams group meets during the 11.00am service. This is for children aged 2½ - 6 years.
	Large Print: We have a number of hymn books and notice sheets in large print format.		Gluten-free wafers are available at all Communion services at this church. If you require these, please say "gluten-free" when you take communion.
	Induction loop: St Michael's is fitted with an induction loop; please speak to a Warden if you need assistance with this.		Tokens of Giving As a sign that you give by Standing Order to the cost of mission & ministry at St Michael's, you are encouraged to pick up a glass pebble on your way into Church, and add it to the basket as the Offertory is taken.
	A children's area is available in the Legh Chapel (on RH side as you come into the church) for children, under supervision, during services and at other times. There are bags with books and toys for small children.		

Key Events and Notices



Thy Kingdom Come Prayer Initiative

From Ascension Day (May 25th) to Pentecost (June 4th) churches across the nation and around the world will be joining in the prayer initiative 'Thy Kingdom Come' (see

www.thykingdomcome.global), that more people might become followers of Jesus Christ. St Michael's Church in the Market Place will be open with various 'stations' to spark prayer. You're welcome to join in and pray for as little or as long as you can.

As well as the regular opening times (Mon-Sat 10am-12.30pm), the church will also be open: Fri 26th 5-7pm, Sun 28th until 3pm, Weds 31st 6.30-8.30pm. The event will be launched with a short time of worship at 6pm on Thursday 25th (so you'll be able to attend the hustings event from 7pm at the URC). Come and pray "Thy Kingdom Come"!



Church Flowers

The lovely flowers in the Worship Area have been graciously given by Beth Marshall in loving memory of her dear sister Kathryn. Thank you, Beth. The Chancel Table flowers are in loving memory of Peggy Curwen, nee Mackie, whose Memorial Service is in Winnipeg on 19th May; and also treasured

memories of Mac Evans nee McKie of Arnside, her cousin and dear mother of Anne.



Kath's Thanksgiving Service

A huge thank-you to everyone who made this such a splendid service in memory of a wonderful woman. Particular thanks to those who assisted with refreshments, decorating the church, the displays, the choir, the prayers, the beautiful

flowers, the tributes, etc, etc!
Step by step, one and on —we will walk with Jesus till the journey's done



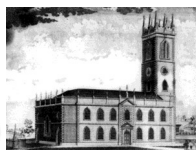
Homegroup

The next meeting at Joyce Millard's home at 10 Badger Road, Tytherington will be held on Monday, 22nd May at 2.00pm. Everyone welcome.



Treacle Market

The next Treacle Sunday is 28th May and as usual the church will be open after the morning services until 3.00pm. If anyone can help with stewarding, baking cakes/biscuits or serving in the kitchen, please sign up on the list at the back of church. It is very important to sign on the sheet so we can equally share the various jobs for the volunteers throughout the afternoon. Many thanks, again . Vicky Darlington (Macc 428215)



Christ Church

Christ Church will be open to visitors this weekend, 11.00am to 4.00pm, Fri, Sat and Sun during the first Macclesfield Garden Festival. It's another chance to explore the building's

design, acoustic, social history and heritage of this Grade II* listed gem. Please spread the word amongst friends, family and other networks! We want to increase the number of people who visit and enjoy Christ Church to build up interest in its future, but also to attract volunteers. If you - or anyone you know - is interested to find out more about volunteering or offer time or services in any capacity, please get in touch. Please note, entry to the Macclesfield Garden Festival on the lawns is by ticket, so entrance to Christ Church will be from Bridge Street and/or Waterloo Street.

The Roe-naissance Project

Imagine a new life for Christ Church... A Grade II* listed 'engineering marvel' built by Charles Roe in 1775 in the heart of Macc. facebook The Roe-naissance Project twitter @ChristChurchMac



The Shack

Have you read Paul W. Young's best seller The Shack ? The film version is coming to Cinemas next month. If you would like to

see it with others and perhaps discuss it afterwards please contact Emma Kingdom (Church Office 421984). We look forward to seeing you there.



Dave Mock

Don't forget Dave's farewell service and shared meal at All Saints' Church, 4.00pm **TODAY 21st May.**



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Davis Rigby

You will have noticed that Davis is now confined to a wheel-chair during services and other visits to St Michael's. This will make it harder for members of the

congregation to transport him to and from his home on Warwick Road, and there will be more occasions when he will be delivered to church by staff from the sheltered housing complex. On these occasions we are looking for a team of volunteers who could be available to help Davis; sitting with him in church, and making sure he finds his carers when they come to fetch him after the service. If you would like to volunteer for this very occasional role, or to find out more before committing yourself, please contact Sandy Bevan (615151) or David Mayers (420716).



Summer Walks

There will be walks on Monday evenings starting Monday 22nd May at 7pm through to 12th June. The first will meet at Clarke Lane (parking place near Middlewood

Way or Canal bridges) for a walk along the canal through Kerridge and Bollington followed by a drink at the Cock and Pheasant, Bollington.



ELECTION 2017

Don't Forget!

General Election Hustings
Thursday 25th May 7.00 – 9.00pm at the URC.



Cricket, lovely cricket

Did you know the Team Parish has a cricket team? All ages and abilities are welcome; the only requirement is enthusiasm. Come and enjoy England's great summer sport at some of the prettiest grounds in the country. Come to play, or just to

watch. All mid-week games start at 6.30pm The provisional fixture list is as follows:

Wed 24 th May	Stockport Teachers Heaton Mersey CC
Fri 9 th June	Macclesfield College staff Kerridge CC
Wed 21 st June	Macc Occasionals Kerridge CC
Thur 29 th June	Tytherington Family Worship Kerridge CC
Thur 6 th July	Stockport Teachers Kerridge CC
Sat 15 th July	St. George's Church Harewood House
Sun 6 th Aug	Ash Tree Macclesfield or Prestbury CC
Wed 9 th Aug	Macc Occasionals (6pm start) Kerridge CC
Wed 16 th Aug	Barclay's (6pm start) Over Peover CC

To confirm attendance or for more details ring David Mayers on 420716, 07963802659 (or e-mail davidjmayers@btinternet.com)

Deadline for contributions to the notice sheet: 12 noon the preceding Wednesday.
E-mail: stmikesnotices@gmail.com or hand in to the Team Office. Thank you.

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