# WELCOME TO CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH



- NOVEMBER -





### YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Matthew 5:14-16

You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

In a sermon full of practical teaching on how to live, Jesus doesn't want us to miss the point: the goal of holy living is not to retreat from the world – we are 'the light of the world'. Our lives are to be 'seen'. In a decaying and dark world, Jesus has an answer.

Us.

It's not an individual thing, it's a corporate image, a city on top of a hill, a tightly-packed community who are living differently. A people shining and visible even from far off.

How does this work? In a world gripped by anxiety we can trust God. In a 'me first' culture, we can be 'others first'. In a sex-obsessed society we can live in purity. We can keep our vows and our promises. We can forgive those who treat us badly. In all these ways we can 'let our light shine'.

Not everyone will be attracted (Matt. 5:11–12) but others will see and join us in worshipping the Father (Matt. 5:16).

And that's the ultimate goal of all this: worship. The ultimate reason God does anything is that his people might have joy and that he might be praised. It's why he's given our church a 6.2-acre site. It's why he does anything – for our joy and his glory.

Here's a great, lightly edited, quote about this from John Piper:

'Mission is not the ultimate goal of the Church. Worship is. Mission exists because worship doesn't. Worship is ultimate, not mission, because God is ultimate, not man. When this age is over, and the countless millions of the redeemed fall on their faces before the throne of God, mission will be no more. It is a temporary necessity. But worship abides forever.

Worship, therefore, is the fuel and goal of mission. It's the goal of mission because in mission we simply aim to bring the nations into the white-hot enjoyment of God's glory. The goal of mission is the gladness of the peoples in the greatness of God. "The Lord reigns; let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!" (Ps. 97:1). "Let the peoples praise thee, O God; let all the peoples praise thee! Let the nations be glad and sing for joy!" (Ps. 67:3-4).

But worship is also the fuel of mission. Passion for God in worship precedes the offer of God in preaching. You can't commend what you don't cherish. Missionaries will never call out, "Let the nations be glad!" who cannot say from the heart, "I rejoice in the Lord...I will be glad and exult in thee, I will sing praise to thy name, O Most High" (Ps. 104:34, 9:2). Mission begins and ends in worship."

With that in mind, can I encourage to join us on Friday 4th November at 8.00pm in The Lighthouse Centre for an evening of worship? We very simply want to give God the glory for all he has done. After all, we don't want to miss the point, do we?

Love,

Rob.



# EVENTS AND NEWS





# THE MONTH AT A GLANCE

4th November	Worship night at the Lighthouse Centre, 8pm
5th November ·····	From Everywhere to Everywhere conference at Kings Church Norwich, 9am-4pm
6th November ····	Launch Sunday at the Lighthouse Centre, 10:30am
7th November ************************************	Treasures coffee morning, 10am-12pm
9th November ·····	Together online (Relational Mission), 8-9pm
13th November	Ladies' wreath making at the Lighthouse Centre, 2.30pm
18th-20th November ·····	Youth Weekend Away
25th November	Men's event TBC
26th November	Workday at the Lighthouse Centre, 9am-3pm
27th November ·····	Prayer and update night, 7:30-8:30pm







# EVENTS AND NEWS





# **NEXT MONTH - DECEMBER**

3rd December	Ladies' prayer at the Lighthouse Centre
4th December ·····	Christmingle Carols and firepits at the Lighthouse
5th December ·····	Treasures coffee morning at the Lighthouse
10th December ·····	Men's event: Christmas Curry at the Lighthouse
11th December ·····	Nativity service at the Lighthouse Centre
17th December	Carols by Candlelight service with Adrian Holloway at the Lighthouse Centre, 4pm
25th December ·····	Christmas service at the Lighthouse Centre
31th December - 1st January	Sent conference (Relational Mission)

# **KEY DATE**

3rd-4th February Prophetic event







# Autumn Term Social Events



Sat 3rd Sept - Men's Breakfast 8.30am @ The Lighthouse

Sat 3rd Sept - Ladies Just Desserts 7pm @ The Lighthouse

Weds 28th Sept - Fish & Chips Quiz 6.30pm The Lighthouse Centre

Sat 8th Oct - Men's Breakfast 8.30am @ The Lighthouse

Mon 31st Oct - Youth All Hallows event 6pm @ The Lighthouse

Sun 13th Nov - Ladies Wreath Making 2.30pm @ The Lighthouse

Sunday 4th Dec - Christmingle Carols & firepits 5pm @ The Lighthouse

Saturday 10th Dec - Men's Curry 7pm

Sunday 11th Dec - Nativity service

Saturday 17th Dec - Christmas carol service 4pm

FOR MORE DETAILS ON ALL THESE EVENTS CONTACT
SHARON@CHRISTCOMMUNITYCHURCH.CO.UK OR CALL 01953 452865





### **WORKDAYS**

We would like to ask you to come along and get involved with our church family workdays at the Lighthouse Centre on Halford Road! There will be all sorts of jobs to help out with, whether it is general work, helping fetch and carry items or making everyone a round of tea! Every set of hands will be put to good use, so please don't discount yourself for any reason. We are building our new church home together as a family, so that includes everyone.

The next date is **26th November**, 9am till 3pm at the former Hamilton Factory, Halford Road, Attleborough, NR17 2HZ.

Please wear old clothes (no shorts), sturdy shoes (or safety boots if you have them) and PPE will be provided. Lunch will be provided so that we can enjoy some rest together at midday.

**Please email the office** if you can do this date even if it is just for a few hours. Please also state any dietary requirements.

More details will then be sent round to those who sign up. If you have family, friends or neighbours who would like to come along to help, too, then please do let us know.









### FROM EVERYWHERE TO EVERYWHERE

Relational Mission is organising an event called From Everywhere to Everywhere on the 5th November. The conference's aim is to encourage one another to be good witnesses wherever God has placed us. It will be at King's Church in Norwich from 9am till 4pm. Stef Liston will be the speaker. There will be Children's work available. You have to book in for this on the King's Church Norwich website: King's Community Church, Norwich (kingsnorwich.com).



### **COMMUNITY HOT SPOT**

The cost of living has gone up recently which means some of us might have to cut down on some expenses, such as heating our home.

The church would like to help by offering people to come here at the Lighthouse during the week to stay warm and save energy bills.

This is on Tuesdays 11am till 5pm.

You're welcome to come and enjoy free refreshments, warmth and friendship.



### **WORSHIP NIGHT**

#### Friday 4th November at the Lighthouse, 8pm

We are holding a special worship night at the new venue. This is an opportunity to praise our great God for all that he has done and celebrate together without any other agenda.

The worship night that was planned on the 18th November is now cancelled.

## **WE'RE MOVING!**

BREAKING NEWS! We are moving to our new venue! We are holding our Lighthouse Centre launch on Sunday 6th November at 10:30am with a free lunch afterwards!

Come and join us to celebrate our first Sunday in the rough and ready section of our new home.



### **PIONEERING UPDATE - OCTOBER 2022**

It was great being home for a few weeks over the summer. We can't help but notice the passionate, authentic worship in Attleborough. It's always lovely to be back and we miss Christ Community Church when we are away from Attleborough.

After a rest, our focus turned to the Pioneer Europe Conference in Malaga at the end of September. We were grateful that around 125 people from 20 nations were able to gather and be inspired and encouraged.

We were part of the organising team for the conference. It proved hard but rewarding work.

It was humbling to hear from Gilbert who leads a church community in Stockholm. Having witnessed the horrors of war and spending 22 years in refugee camps he is now testimony to God's amazing healing grace. It puts into proportion some of our niggles and moans.

Andre from Ukraine also shared with us his story of how God has protected them physically, even to the extent of bombs not exploding as they landed. The church is on the front line of delivering aid and supporting vulnerable people. Please keep praying for these brave people who, until recently, were living peaceful undisturbed lives just like we live here in Attleborough.

One challenging theme to come through in the conference was that of "cultural relevance". When establishing churches in different cultures, we should ensure that our values remain unchanged while our church lives are relevant to the cultural setting. Those of us from the UK couldn't help but be challenged.

The conference contained excellent teaching and the worship was so passionate; but, after five days, we packed up and caught the late plane back to Stansted. Ready for a sleep, we were surprised to have the opportunity to witness and pray with a young man on the plane. We understand he's now in touch with a local church and meeting the church leader for coffee. God never rests!

This autumn is a key time for the new church plant in Nijmegen in the Netherlands. Each of the team have houses and jobs after having relocated to the town. This amazing provision by God is so encouraging. The group is now starting to gather and establish relationships before launching public gatherings after a few months.

We are now on our travels for a month. The first week is a holiday and then we head to France and will spend a short time with the church family in Geneva. On our way home we will pop in to see folks in the Brussels church plant and then have a very quick stop over in the Netherlands to see our close friends there. We continue to be in close contact with churches across Europe (and beyond). (Zoom is such a good thing!) Please do talk to us if God has placed a particular country or people group on your heart. There are dozens of pioneering situations where help and encouragement are needed. Perhaps it's something you can be involved with?

We are aware that Relational Mission is in the process of organising short trips in 2023 so that people can experience and serve in Pioneering situations. We'll keep you posted about these. They are an exciting way of seeing whether pioneering abroad might just be for you.

Don't forget the Everywhere to Everywhere Conference In Norwich on 5th November with Steff Liston speaking. Anyone who has a heart for planting locally or further afield should make this a priority. Here's a link for you: https://acc.churchsuite.com/events/x9k1sf3q

We'll miss the first Sunday in the new Lighthouse Centre but hope we'll be able to watch online from afar. What an amazing provision by God. It builds faith and expectancy and is a privilege to be part of.

See you soon,

Jeff & Jayne









### LIGHTHOUSE CENTRE UPDATE

As you read this, we are very close to having our first Sunday on site. When I look back, we have achieved a lot in a short time since we completed the purchase on April 6th 2022. Seven months later we are holding our first service. It was great that our first event, the Alpha Launch in September, was a missional one. We have turned an old factory into a welcoming place. Who can remember how overgrown it was when first started working here?!

In the last couple of months there has been a hive of activity.

Roy Lincoln has continued to clear brambles and undergrowth so all the external exits are clear and unobstructed. We also have a clear overflow car park ready to park lots more cars when the first car park becomes full.

We have marked out the car park with spaces and there will be bike shelters appearing soon, too.

Pete Felton, with many others, has worked to complete the construction of 2 rooms in unit 3 which will be used for children's church.

Jane Walters has led a big team to paint all of unit 2 and other smaller rooms, which are now bright and clean.

Andy Severn and others have cleaned the overhead steel work in unit 2, removing seventy years of grime and dust so there's no dust and dirt hanging around above as we worship.

Jason Offer and Jon Sale have installed a new gas pipe and heaters in units 2 and 3 so we will be warm when we meet on site, although it's a bit noisy!

We have also worked through things like fire risk assessments and evacuation plans to ensure the site is safe when people gather.

It's exciting that we will soon be using our new home and all praise to God who has made this possible.

A massive thank you to all who have got involved. There is more work to do and more work-days to come but it's great to see that, with God's help, we have reached this milestone on the journey of developing the Lighthouse Centre.

Chris





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IN NOVEMBER OUR SERVICES WILL BE 10:30AM AT THE LIGHTHOUSE CENTRE!

**6TH NOVEMBER** LAUNCH SUNDAY

**13TH NOVEMBER** ROB TERVET

**20TH NOVEMBER** ROB TERVET

**27TH NOVEMBER** JON BEARDON

## PRAYER AT THE LIGHTHOUSE CENTRE

We are holding early morning prayer meetings every Friday on the new site (The Lighthouse Centre, Halford Rd, Attleborough NR17 2HZ), 7.30–8am. We give thanks to God for what he's doing, and we also bring to him our needs in believing prayer. It would be great to see you there!

### PRAYER AND UPDATE NIGHTS

Prayer and keeping you all up to speed is important throughout 2022. We also want to make sure that no aspect of church life gets forgotten or unprayed for because of our large building project. So, we intend to hold monthly evenings that will be a mixture of updates about the building project, updates about other areas of church life and prayer. These will take place 7.30–8.30pm on Sunday evenings.

**The next date is the 27th November.** We don't want you to miss out on key information, so do put this in your diary.

# **LADIES' PRAYER**

You are invited to join our ladies' monthly prayer gathering as we pray over our church, our community and for the next generation.

Colossians 4:2

No ladies' prayer in November!

Next date: 3rd December, 9am at the Lighthouse Centre



# **MEN'S EVENTS**

Friday 25th November TBC

10th December Christmas curry at the Lighthouse



# **ADULT COMMUNITY GROUPS**

We gather in the week in small groups to pray, worship, grow and reach out together. Details for these may vary, so do confirm with the leaders before attending. For more information, contact the leader directly if you have a directory, or contact the office. Church office contact details: 01953 452865 adminechristcommunitychurch.co.uk

#### **Attleborough Group - Tuesdays**

Leaders: Jason and Laura Offer, Ali Sayer,

Diane Melia

Time: 7:45pm

Fun Fact: Jason used to be a glider pilot.

#### Online Group - Tuesdays

Leaders: Rob and Marjory Miller

Time: 7.45pm

Fun Fact: Marjory is related to Ewan McGregor

#### Online Group - Wednesdays (linked to Bill and Nannette's group)

Leaders: Gerry and Liz Keogh

Time: 10am

Fun facts: Liz once worked in a poodle parlour.

Gerry once fried chicken for Colonel Sanders and was a bodyguard for Roy Castle.

#### Lighthouse Group - Wednesdays

Leaders: Bill and Nannette Loades

Time: 10am

Fun Fact: They both became Christians in 1967 though the witness of Nannette's brother, a friend and the ministry of Martin Lloyd Jones

#### Attleborough Group - Wednesdays

Leaders: Sam and Debs Page, Greg and Esther Forbes

Time: 7:45pm

Fun fact: Sam proposed to Debs with a tortoise

#### East Harling Community Group - Thursdays

Leaders: Sara and Chris Govey

Time: 7:45pm

Fun Fact: Sara and Chris both lived in London for an extensive time yet first dated when working in Denmark.

#### Connect new people Group - Weekly

Leaders: Peter and Sharon Fitzgerald

Time: 6:30pm for dinner

Fun Fact: Peter worked on the film set of Tomb Raider

# YOUTH

In October, during our Tuesday night gatherings we focused mainly on prophecy, with the view to bless the community with a word from God at our annual All Hallows outreach on 31st October. We packaged up sweets and attached words of knowledge and encouragements.

On 23rd October, we had a youth lunch and social afternoon where we played 'Taskmaster' the board game with some hilarious happenings including being willingly sprayed with water in the rain, throwing hats out of 1st floor windows and even wearing 5 coats whilst on a rowing machine, all to win points for boys vs girls!

In November we have various events, including Youth Weekend Away. Please pray for us:

- 1. That God meets us not just at Youth Weekend Away, but every week as we gather together.
- 2. Continued growth in spiritual gifts, as well as a hunger and thirst for righteousness.
- 3. For energy and capacity for the team as we navigate the busiest term of the year.

For more info, contact paige@christcommunitychurch.co.uk



8th	Youth CG
13th	Youth Sunday
15th	Youth CG
18th-	Youth
<b>20th</b>	Weekend Away
<b>20th</b> 22nd	Weekend Away Youth CG

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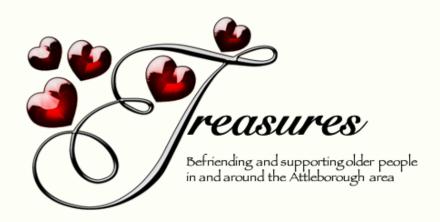
# YOUNG ADULTS

The Young Adults group meets every Wednesday evening 7-9pm. So far this academic year we have mainly been looking at the book of Jonah in the Old Testament. There has been much to learn from Jonah's story, and seeing how it points us to our Saviour Jesus. We are just about to start a 6 part series on 'tough questions', using some video material from Timothy Keller, before Christmas comes around!

We have enjoyed some great food and fun together this half term, and enjoyed seeing our new members settle in since their arrival in September.

Robert and Rachel Peck; David and Hilary Reger

If you would like more information about Young Adults at Christ Community Church, please contact the group leaders or the office.



Coffee mornings: Come and enjoy a free cup of coffee, hot chocolate or tea and catch up with old friends, make new ones and enjoy an occasional short talk. Open to all senior citizens.

First Monday of the month

Next dates: 7th November, 5th December

10am-12pm at the Lighthouse

As of Tuesday 1st November, we will be delighted to have Sharon Fitzerald as our Treasures Project lead. So please contact her for all your Treasures queries!

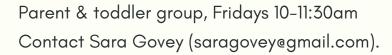
# **TABLE TENNIS**

Mondays, 7–9pm @ the Lighthouse

£1 to join in Everyone Welcome!











#### For more info:

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- \* THE GIRLS LOUNGE 4.30-5.30pm every Thursday term-time only after school drop-in @ The Lighthouse "a safe place for girls to make connections and talk about the things that are important to them".
- \* IGNITE YOUTH DRAMA 6.30-7.45pm every Thursday term-time only @ The Lighthouse "a place for young people to get creative".
- **#OUTSIDE FRIDAY DETACHED** 7.30-9.30pm every Friday term-time "providing support for young people on the streets of Attleborough".
- \* IGNITE MENTORING Ongoing 1-1 sessions "supporting young people to navigate life".
- \* YR12 VOLUNTEERING PROGRAMME Partnership programme between Ignite and AAN Sixth Form first placement sessions: Monday 6th Dec.
- \* RAINBOW LETTERS OF HOPE (Thursdays & Fridays) Inter-generational youth volunteer opportunity "connecting the generations through letters of support".
- \* LIFE STORIES Monday afternoons term-time only Hopefully relaunching soon "enabling young people to support the older generation to capture their memories and leave a legacy".

Note: Please speak to
Debs C or Paige M if
you would like to
know more about
Ignite. You might visit
us, volunteer, or join
the prayer team.

# **CHURCH CONTACT DETAILS:**

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Paige Marrett - Youth (Tues - Church Youth & Thurs - Girls Lounge)
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Elia Stroudinsky – Administrator (Part-time – works some hours on Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sunday)

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Rob Tervet, James Oyeniyi, Chris Govey and Benny Marrett are our church elders.

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