## **Church Matters**

**16 February 2025** 



## Welcome to Christ Church Dunstable!

We're delighted you're here and trust you feel at home amongst us. If you are new here, we would love to get to know you better. Please visit **ccd.church/welcome** or use the QR code to provide your contact details.



#### **OUR SERVICES TODAY**

## **MATTHEW**

CHAPTERS 24-25

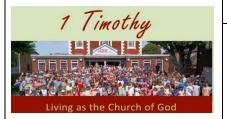
THE RETURN OF THE KING

## Morning Services 9.15am & 11.15am

## Are You Ready?

Matthew 24:36-25:13

**Gareth Mitchell** 



## **Evening Service 6.15pm**

## **Church Family Relationships**

1 Timothy 5:1-16

Mark Lawrence

#### CHILDREN'S & YOUTH WORK TODAY

Crèche	Crèche facilities for under 2's are available in the Church Hall.	
Footsters	2-4's in the Church Hall (beneath the auditorium) God Made Domestic Animals (Genesis 1:1-2:4 & Psalm 50:9-12) Big Idea: God made all the domestic animals	
Adventurers Explorers	4-7's in the Lounge (Church Office) & 8-11's in The Way The Heavenly King (Acts 2:1-41) Big Idea: The only right response to the ascended Jesus is repentance	
Frontine	Nano is for 11-14's and Frontline is for 14-18's  Nano: Enjoying the Service: there are question sheets available in the Foyer to help you follow the sermon.	
	Frontline: On half term break	

# **Church Family News**

#### **ALSO TODAY**

There will be no Sunday Lunch today as it is half term.

**Hub:** After the Evening Service, at Matt Newton's.

#### **THIS WEEK**

Mon 17		Tiddlers & Toddlers: on half term break
		English Classes: on half term break
Tue 18		Art: on half term break
	10:30am	Prayer Central: in the Church Building
	2:30 – 4:30pm	Foodbank: in The Way
Wed 19		Workshop Wednesdays: on half term break
		<b>W@CC:</b> on half term break
		Wednesday Club: on half term break
		Nano: on half term break
	7:45 – 9:00pm	Quiz Night: in The Way
Thur 20		Connect: on half term break
Fri 21		Knit & Natter: on half term break
	12:30 – 2:30pm	Foodbank & Drop In: in The Way
Sat 22	7:30 – 9:30pm	<b>Frontline:</b> 'Chill Night' in the Church Building; Psalms for when we are thankful

## **NEXT SUNDAY – 23<sup>rd</sup> February**

Please join us for our **Morning Services at 9:15am & 11:15am** and our **Evening Service** at **6:15pm**.

Sunday Lunch, served in The Way, will be Spaghetti Carbonara.

## **Global Mission**

#### Tiago & Melisa Bugalho

### Ramada Baptist Church, Lisbon, Portugal

We reached December with much gratitude for all that the Lord has done throughout the year 2024. It's been a year of great growth for the family and the church and we praise God for his faithfulness! On Sunday 8th we



celebrated the Women's Christmas Tea, with 65 women in attendance, 7 of whom were visitors, the Gospel was preached and we enjoyed a blessed time together.

On Sunday 15th, we celebrated the birth of our Saviour Jesus! We held the service in the afternoon and welcomed 170 people. We praised the Lord together and several visitors heard the Good News of salvation. After the service, we had a time of fellowship around the table.

We thank God for the completion of the 'Child rearing' course. For three months, 11 couples and 3 singles learnt biblical and practical principles for bringing up our children in the fear of the Lord. We prayed to be faithful parents who live the Gospel at home every day.

On the 4th, after five years of study, Tiago graduated from the 'Preach the Word' course - a ministry that has been a great blessing in training in expository preaching. We are grateful to the Lord for the Brazilian brothers who have invested in the Portuguese church since 2018.

Finally the day of our trip to Chile arrived! On the 16th we flew to Chile and, after 6 years, we were reunited with our family! Despite the long journey, God took care of us every step of the way. It was a time of great joy and gratitude to the Lord for everything he did to get us there. He provided everything and, although we didn't deserve it, the Lord gave us this special time with our family, church and friends in Chile. Thank you for your lovely prayers and faithful support throughout the last year; we love you and pray for you all!

## Church Weekend - 10th & 11th May

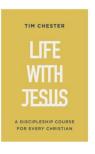


Last Sunday morning we launched the tickets for our Church Weekend! You will have received an email enabling you to sign up for this event. We would encourage you to sign up as soon as you are able to and look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible. Sign up at ccd.church/weekend, scan the QR code or use the booking email sent out to you.



## "Life with Jesus" Books?

Last Tuesday we finished using the 'Life with Jesus' books in Home Groups. If your copy is now unwanted by you, please can you return it to us so we can re-purpose it? We are looking to use the book for Bible Study groups locally, and also send copies to 'Equipping Pastors Worldwide' which is an organisation that supports pastors across the world that wouldn't otherwise be able to afford these resources. Leave your copy in the church foyer or pop it into the office. (If you have written in it, that is ok!)



#### Nano Day

Our NANO DAY is coming up on **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March!** It will be a wonderful opportunity to look at God's Word together and get stuck into some great activities. We hope as many of our Nanoers can join us as possible. The cost is £5 per Nanoer and dinner will be provided. Sign up at **ccd.church/nanoday** or use the booking email sent to you.

#### **Sharing Together**

Available

A microwave, a mini fridge and a number of lovely, old books about Science, Maths and Engineering. For further details, please see Roz Kearey.

#### **Dunstable Foodbank**

Items most needed for this month are: tinned meat meals, long life fruit juice, sponge puddings, tinned baked beans, tinned fruit and packets of tea bags.

#### In need of the T-loop for better hearing?



We have a hearing loop installed in the auditorium and the foyer for use by people with hearing aids. There are many places around the auditorium ground floor that you can pick it up well, but it is best to <u>avoid</u> the first 3 rows for the best reception.