

Opportunities

WANTED

for a refugee family a two or three bedroom rental property

through a scheme
organized under the UK
Government's
Vulnerable Persons
Resettlement Scheme

If you have a property
anywhere in the Braintree
District, or know someone
who has, which could be
available at a reasonable
rental, please contact
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This scheme is being
co-ordinated locally through
Braintree District Interfaith
Forum and local Churches
Together groups across
Braintree District



**July 29th to
September 2nd
2018**

Prayer Points

Reflect on John 6:25-69

Living God, you have placed in the hearts of your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that, believing in your Son Jesus Christ, we may know him to be the true bread of heaven. Amen.

PRAY for David and Melanie Sebley, as they prepare to join us in the worship and witness of Christ Church and Great Notley.

PRAY for our young people as they prepare for a new class, a new school, further education or for employment, and pray for all who teach and guide them.

PRAY that our JC leaders may be refreshed during the summer break.

PRAY for the FISH project (Food in School Holidays) for which Wendy Lombardi worked so hard last year.

PRAY for all who will share in our "Care and Repair" fortnight. Give thanks for our Property Committee and their care for the premises

PRAY for all for whom the summer heat wave has brought death and destruction, and those for whom it has caused serious health problems

God of the nations, to whose table all are invited and in whose kingdom no-one is a stranger, hear the cries of the hungry and homeless and extend the joy of your salvation to all people.

This Week

Welcome to Christ Church

**Holiday Season
Sunday Services**
(AAW = "All Age Worship")

July 29th

9.30am Frances Couch
11.00am Frances Couch (AAW)
7pm Braintree Area Churches
Together united service
(see "Events and Things to do").

August 5th

9.30am Revd. Stuart Ellis
11am David Cumbers (AAW)

August 12th

9.30am Revd David Dickens
Holy Communion
11am David Burton (AAW)

August 19th

9.30am Alan Rolls
11am Alan Rolls (AAW)

August 26th

9.30am David Drewett
11am David Drewett (AAW)

September 2nd

**9.30am and 11am: Revd David
Sebley** (both services will include
Holy Communion)

Church Office Opening Hours:
July 24, 31; August 7, 14, 20, 28
8am to 5pm (all on Tuesdays
EXCEPT Monday August 20th)

Events and Things to do

Cameo will resume after the Summer break on Thursday Sept. 13th.

Sunday July 29th: Prayer Walk for Chelmsford; 3pm from Trinity Methodist Church, Rainsford Road, through Central Park to Stone Bridge and Hall Street, with pauses to pray for the city. Audio/video link at Hall Street from 3pm for non-walkers. Tea and cake at Hall Street from about 4pm.

BACT United service 7pm July 29th at Our Lady Queen of Peace, The Avenue. **Theme – Braintree Food Bank.** If you can, please bring one item with you from the Food Bank's shortage list: cereal (750gm boxes), instant mash, tinned spaghetti, tinned vegetables, tinned tomatoes, cold meats, rice puddings, sponge puddings, long life milk, toilet rolls, nappies, long life carrier bags. These will be placed at the altar during the service. For more information contact Graham Meek olqp.stewardofthegospel@gmail.com

Christ Church Care and Repair fortnight August 13th to 24th. Please help the Property Group care for our building. There is much to be done, from painting (a couple of hours or more) to dusting or cleaning for half an hour. If you can spare some time please sign the chart in the vestibule so we can ensure someone is here to let you in and tell you what needs doing. *Many thanks, The Property Committee*

Our Harvest Festival combined service will be on Sunday September 16th at 10.30am, led by Rev. David Sebley

A big thank you from Braintree Area Foodbank: we donated 371.36kg of food in year to 31st March, enabling them to provide 29,412 meals to needy people. We continue to be grateful for your donations – the “shortage list” above associated with the BACT United Service will continue to apply throughout the Summer.

A big thank you from Esther and Ian Hume to all who supported their Cream Tea Afternoon on Sunday July 22nd. As a result £150 has been given to The Braintree Youth Project Charity. Thanks again,

Notices

The service of Thanksgiving and Celebration of Wendy Lombardi's life will take place on Saturday August 11th 2.30pm here at Christ Church Braintree. Everyone is welcome. *Thank you: Arthur, Violet and Paul*

On Sunday August 5th 9.30am Rev. Stuart Ellis will lead his last service here as our interim minister. Please have a word with Beth Gask if you would like to contribute to our “thank-you”.

On Sunday September 2nd our new minister Rev. David Sebley will lead both services, with Holy Communion. The Welcome Service for David and Melanie, led by Revd. Paul Whittle (URC) and Revd. Dr. David Chapman (Methodist) will be here on **Sunday September 9th at 3pm, followed by tea.**

Christ Church's GDPR Privacy Statement, currently in draft form, is available from the church office.

Church Directory: while we review the GDPR legislation, the new Church Directory will not be produced for September. Our aim is to publish a 2019 Directory in December.

Cards for sale: new stock on the table. If you can't see what you'd like, speak to one of us; we may be able to make to order. Nearly £300 raised last year for the next Mission to Uganda trip. *Sally and Maggie*

Mission Boxes should be returned for emptying by today.

Mission Giving 2018/19: Church Meeting on July 9th voted as follows: The Big Christmas Card - *Action for Children*. Mission Boxes - *PARC*. *Sightsavers*, *Watoto* and *Voluntary Service Overseas* will have the opportunity of a Saturday coffee morning to raise money.

Christ Church Email Prayer Chain: To be a link in our email Prayer Chain, or to ask for prayers about specific situations or people (with their permission) contact Jean Ware on jmware10@aol.com

The next issue of the Notices leaflet will be on September 2nd

*Please send e-mail items for the Weekly Notices to
notices@christchurchbraintree.org.uk
by Thursday morning August 30th.*