



# NOVEMBER

## 2018



**All Saints' Church**  
*Preston on Tees*

# We Will Remember Them

**On Friday 31st August 2018 the Hird Family visited the Menin Gate at Ypres, Belgium. We wanted to attend the Last Post ceremony, held there every evening at 8pm since 1928 (apart from the interruption of World War II) where members of the Ypres Fire Brigade play the Last Post and then the Reveille.**

There are nearly 55,000 names on this memorial; each name has no known grave. I personally wanted to attend the ceremony as my Great, Great Uncle, Bernard Conboy, Irish Guards, is one of those names.

Bernard signed up we believe as a 16-year-old boy and was deployed as part of the British Expeditionary Force to France in August 1914. By November that year he had been killed in the Ypres Salient.

As I stood there silently listening to the notes of the last post being played I looked around at all the names on the walls of this memorial, each one struck down in their prime, and became even more aware of the futility of war, the devastation and heartbreak it brings, and of those left behind broken, either mentally or physically, and of the families coming to terms with their loss. I was also thankful to these “names”, both past and present, for their sacrifice in fighting tyranny and oppression, so that we can have the freedom and liberty that we do.

Saying thank you never seems enough.

**At the going down of the sun, and in the morning....**

**Duncan Hird**





# Greater Love...

Ever since the Armistice Treaty in 1918 annual services of Remembrance have given thanks to God for the freedoms we enjoy and that were won at so high a price; the lives of 16 million soldiers and civilians, plus 21 million wounded to say nothing of the pain endured by countless loved ones when they learned that their husbands, fiancés, sons and fathers would never come home from the field of battle.

A hundred years on from the war that was supposed to end all wars, it has been estimated that about 120 million people have been killed in armed conflict. However righteous the cause, however

noble the objective, war always leaves heartbroken widows, fatherless sons and daughters and grief-stricken mothers and fathers who have to lay to rest their own children and live with their loss for the rest of their lives.

At Remembrance we lament and grieve the many who died too young in the fields of battle and stand with those most traumatised by war's destruction.

Jesus said, "Greater love has no one than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." He said it hours before he died, giving *his* life not just for his country but for the whole world, to liberate it

forever from the tyranny of sin and eternal death.

His unique, once-for-all sufferings secure an enduring peace with God, having power to cleanse all who turn to him in repentance of all guilt and all sin for all time.

*Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, quarrelling, and slander be put away from you, along with all hatred. And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another just as in Christ God forgave you.*  
(Ephesians 4.31)



**John Lambert**

# What Does Worship Mean?

As we continue our October-November series on Worship, six more members of All Saints' give their brief, personal thoughts on what worship means to them. What does it mean to *you*?

## Erin Bunford

When asked last week: How do you best connect with God? My first answer was definitely worship.

In worship I take my eyes off all the people and business around me and I refocus back on Jesus. So, I think it's crucial to be in my everyday life.



## Brian Wake

The word 'worship' is often used as meaning singing. It is much, much more. It involves dedicating all the elements of our being, in differing contexts, towards our great, loving, forgiving God. It includes singing; speaking; listening; meditating; contemplating beauty; taking bread and wine.



## Grace Davison (age 10)

To me, worship is all about praising God and I enjoy worshipping God with all of the nice songs church has. I watch Hillsong on TV with my family sometimes and it looks different to our church, but when the people praise God and Jesus it is just the same.



## Sandra Griffiths

Worship itself is a most sensational miracle — a heart revived and given an eternal and glorious purpose.

But the dream come true is that this worship not only satisfies God, it also satisfies us - far beyond our wildest imaginations.



This is how I fight my battles!

## Sue Ireland

Worship is spiritually uplifting and all encompassing.

It says 'thank you' to our Father for His loving presence as we journey life's path. It brings joy, forgiveness and hope for life everlasting through Jesus.

"Sing like never before, O my soul. I worship your holy name."



## Kay Adeboye

- Worship declares His majesty.
- Our worship proclaims His lordship and sovereignty over His creation.
- True worship; a foretaste of what is to come.
- Worship; not for a moment but for all moments.
- With our worship, we bask in His presence.
- Let every breath praise His holiness.



NOVEMBER 25TH, 6PM  
THE OAKWOOD CENTRE  
CLEASBY WAY,  
STOCKTON-ON-TEES  
TS16 0RD

# TEESSIDE



# CHURCHES TOGETHER

A NIGHT OF  
WORSHIP, PRAYER  
AND UNITY FOR THE  
WHOLE OF JESUS'  
CHURCH IN TEESSIDE

ONE GOD : ONE CHURCH : ONE VALLEY : ONE MISSION : ONE NIGHT



# DATES – NOVEMBER 2018

## CHILDREN/FAMILIES

### Messy Church

Sun 11 Nov, 3.30pm - Church and Centre

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### Toddlers

Thurs (term time), 9.30am - Centre

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### Play and Praise

Fri (term time), 10.15am - Centre

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### Puppet Practice

Tues (term time), 7pm - Centre

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### The Christmas Angel Nativity Pantomime

Sat 24 Nov, 3pm - Oakwood Centre, Oakwood Centre, Cleasby Way, TS16 0RD

## PRAYER

### Ablaze Prayer Meeting

Sun 4 Nov, 6pm - Meeting Room

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### Morning Prayer

Mon, Tue, Thurs, Fri, 9am - Chapel

## LEADERSHIP

### Standing Committee

Mon 5 Nov, 7.30pm - Vicarage  
Mon 26 Nov, 7.30pm - Vicarage

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### Ministry Development Team

Wed 7 Nov, 7.30pm - Vicarage

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### REACH Steering Group

Tues 13 Nov, 7.30pm - Meeting Room  
Tues 27 Nov, 7.30pm - Meeting Room

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### PCC

Mon 19 Nov, 7.30pm - Meeting Room

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### Pastoral Care Team

Thurs 22 Nov, 7.30pm - Karen Snowden's

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### Deanery Synod

Mon 12 Nov, 7.15pm - Venue TBC

## TRAINING

### Theology for Everyone

Sat 10 Nov, 9am - Stockton Baptist Church

## YOUTH

### Café Church

Tues 13 Nov, 7-8.30pm - Yarm Costa

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### Refresh Youth Service

Sun 18 Nov, 6pm - Centre

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### Youth Life Groups

Tues (term time), 6-8pm - Youth Room / Meeting Room

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### Youth Leadership Life Group

Mon 12 Nov, 6-8pm - Youth Room

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### Youth Club

Fri (term time), 7-9pm - Centre

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### YFC 'Further' Vision Evening

Thurs 15 Nov, 7pm-9pm - Oakwood Centre, Cleasby Way, TS16 0RD

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### YFC 'Equip' Leaders' Meeting

Mon (term time), 9am-12pm - Church

## MIDWEEK

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*See Deb and Duncan Hird*

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### Connect Lunch Club

Tues 13 Nov, 11.45am - Church and Centre

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### Connect Seated Exercises

Tues 12.30pm (2pm after Lunch Club) - Centre

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### Treasure Seekers

Once a month *see Karen Snowden*

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### Informal Holy Communion

Wed 9.30am - Meeting Room

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### Life Groups

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs  
*See Centre notice board for details.*

## SUMMER

### New Wine United (week 2)

4-10 August, East of England Showground, Peterborough

CHRISTMAS 2018

# # Follow The Star

 THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

**Christmas is a special time of year when we love to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.**

**All Saints' services around the festive season, some traditional, others much less so, are as follows:**

## **Saturday 24 November**

3pm - The Christmas Angel Panto/Nativity  
Oakwood Centre Cleasby Way, TS16 ORD  
*This replaces December's Messy Church*

## **Sunday 16 December**

6pm - Carols by Candlelight  
with preacher Bishop Paul Butler



## **Sunday 23 December**

9am - Holy Communion  
10.30am - Holy Communion

## **Monday 24 December**

4pm - All-Age Christmas Eve Special  
11.30pm - Midnight Holy Communion

## **Monday 25 December**

10am - Christmas Morning Celebration

## **Sunday 30 December**

9am - Morning Worship  
10.30am - Morning Worship

## SUNDAY SERVICES – NOVEMBER 2018

### 4 NOVEMBER

#### 9am Holy Communion

*Worship: Awe*

1 Samuel 19.11-24 and Matthew 14.25-33

Service Leader: John Lambert

Preacher: Andrew Killick

#### 10.30am Morning Worship

Molly Daniel's Thanksgiving

*Worship: Awe*

1 Samuel 19.11-24 and Matthew 14.25-33

Service Leader: Donna Levin

Preacher: Michael Smith

#### 6pm Ablaze Prayer

### 11 NOVEMBER

#### 9.45am Centennial Remembrance Service

*My Soul, Find Rest in God*

Psalm 62.5-12 and Hebrews 9.26b-28

Service Leader: Paul Arnold

Preacher: John Lambert

*The service will be followed by the laying of wreaths and the Last Post at the memorial in Albert Road at 11am.*

#### 3.30pm Messy Church

### 18 NOVEMBER

#### 9am Holy Communion

*Worship: For Everyone*

Joel 2.28-32 and 1 Corinthians 12.12-31

Service Leader: John Greenwood

Preacher: Paul Arnold

#### 10.30am Morning Worship

*Worship: For Everyone*

Joel 2.28-32 and 1 Corinthians 12.12-31

Service Leader: Erin Bunford

Preacher: Paul Arnold

#### 6pm Refresh Youth Service

Preacher: Miriam Swaffield

### 25 NOVEMBER

#### 9am Holy Communion

*Worship: Intimacy*

Song of Songs 2.10-13 and John 12.1-3

Service Leader: Gill Clayton

Preacher: John Lambert

#### 10.30am Holy Communion

*Worship: Intimacy*

Song of Songs 2.10-13 and John 12.1-3

Service Leader: Sandra Griffiths

Preacher: John Lambert

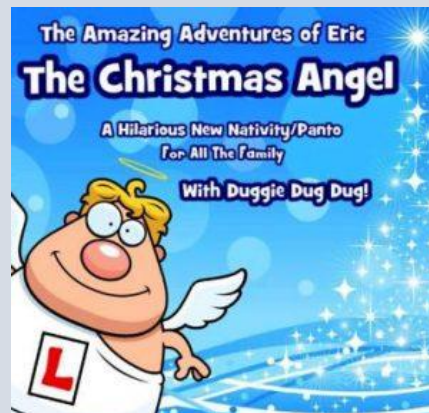
#### 6pm Teesside Churches Together

Oakwood Centre, Cleasby Way, TS16 ORD



#### WORSHIP SERMON SERIES

14 October – 25 November



#### THE CHRISTMAS ANGEL

24 November, 3pm, Oakwood Centre