

The Good Shepherd Church
Park Road Loughborough
November Focus 2015

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Talking and Listening

Who will you be talking to and listening to today? Perhaps listening is something we all find very easy. I am reminded of the saying that sometimes people hear but do not listen, in other words they hear the conversation but do not listen to what a person is really saying. Likewise some people find it very easy to talk to people, whilst others openly admit that they are not a good conversationalist.

All of this is very true in how we live our Christian lives, because listening each day to what God is saying to us and talking to Him in Prayer is so important. We all need to find time to spend with God to Pray to him and to ask for his forgiveness and to listen to what he is saying to us.

He will hear all of our Prayers (1 John 5: V14 – 15). *This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us – whatever we ask –we know that we have what we asked of him.*

What a powerful piece of scripture this is. Knowing that God will hear all of our prayers if what we ask is according to his will. Therefore it is of no value in Praying that you want to win the lottery or come up on the pools our prayers must be according to his will. The Scripture goes on to say that he hears us. God does not have a problem in hearing and listening to us.

So what do we need to do? As I said earlier we need to find time each day to Pray to God, he will hear and listen. We then need to spend time hearing and listening to Him. As the Scripture says "whatever we ask, we know that we have what we asked of him".

We will only know if He has answered our Prayers, and have what we asked of Him if we hear and listen. God will speak to us in many ways; he has a plan for all of us in our lives. All we need to do is talk to Him in Prayer, hear and listen.

So back to the question at the start. Who will you be talking to and listening to today? Let it be God our Saviour, and you will feel stronger and richer each and every day.

Christmas Market. November 18th 11am – 1pm. Please hold this date in your diary!!
This will be the final fund raising opportunity this year, so please do come along and support it. Helpers on stalls will be required as will items for the stalls. Please bring along to the Vestibule any items that could go on the gift stall, also required will be tombola prizes (wrapped in Christmas paper), bottles for the bottle stall, good quality toys and games. A list will be available in the Vestibule for donations for the grand raffle prize of a food hamper and also for the donations of cakes and produce for the stalls.

Please Help If You Can.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 8am Holy Communion Traditional Prayer Book 8.45am Parish Breakfast 10am Holy Communion Sunday Club 4pm All Souls Service	2 6pm Monday Club	3 9.15am Informal Prayer Meeting 8pm House Group 8 Freesia Close.	4 9.30am Holy Communion 2.45pm Wednesday Friendly 7.30pm Stage Group	5 2pm Bible Fellowship For this month's meeting location please contact Jackie Rotter on 212207	6 10am Toddler Club	7
8 8am Holy Communion Traditional Prayer Book 10am Remembrance Service 4pm Informal Prayer Meeting	9 6pm Monday Club	10 9.15am Informal Prayer Meeting 8pm House Group 8 Freesia Close.	11 9.30am Holy Communion 2.45pm Wednesday Friendly 7.30pm Stage Group	12 2pm Bible Fellowship For this month's meeting location please contact Jackie Rotter on 212207	13 10am Toddler Club	14 4.30pm Messy Church
15 8am Holy Communion Traditional Prayer Book 10am Holy Communion Sunday Club	16 6pm Monday Club	17 9.15am Informal Prayer Meeting 8pm House Group 8 Freesia Close.	18 9.30am Holy Communion NO Wednesday Friendly 7.30pm Stage Group	19 2pm Bible Fellowship For this month's meeting location please contact Jackie Rotter on 212207	20 10am Toddler Club	21
22 8am Holy Communion Traditional Prayer Book 10am Morning Worship	23 6pm Monday Club	24 9.15am Informal Prayer Meeting 8pm House Group 8 Freesia Close.	25 9.30am Holy Communion 2.45 Wednesday Friendly 7.30pm Stage Group	26 2pm Bible Fellowship For this month's meeting location please contact Jackie Rotter on 212207	27 10am Toddler Club	28 11am – 1pm Christmas Market
29 8am Holy Communion Traditional Prayer Book 10am Holy Communion Sunday Club	30 6pm Monday Club					

Children's Society Collection Boxes. December is the time for boxes to be opened to enable the donations to be sent off to The Children's Society to help and support their valuable work. Please leave your boxes in the Vestibule towards the end of November. They will be emptied and returned to you.