

The Christian Community

Movement for Religious Renewal

Devon

Programme for

St John's tide to Michaelmas 2022



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30th June 2022

Dear members and friends of The Christian Community in Devon,

The baptism of Christ with fire and spirit works in us and through us when we open our hearts out of our own free will inviting this healing presence to guide us and show us the way forward.

This year we are celebrating the birthday of The Christian Community on 16th September, when the Act of Consecration of Man was celebrated for the first time 100 years ago. There is much to reflect on reviewing the biography of a century, contemplating where we are now and looking forward to times to come. So much has changed outwardly and inwardly, our pace of life, our relationship to the natural world, to machines and electronic devices, our relationships to one another as human beings as well as that to the Divine.

The only constant is change and it is change that is asked of us as Christians. Change can be exciting, but also uncomfortable and unsettling. During these changing times we long for some stability, for a place we know and can call home. We can find this space around the altar, in the words we hear and speak inwardly, in meetings which have the Christ at their centre.

This year we also need to look at the space in which we are holding our sacraments and the community rooms and living area housed here in Chapel Street. After last year's autumn storms and the winter rain, roof slates and debris filled up the gutters and caused leaks into the building. A recent survey of the building confirmed the need to replace the old roof, and we have asked for help with this from the Christian Community Trustees. We are looking for trusted Roofing Companies to quote at present and will let you know how this is progressing.

We are also looking for members to join the maintenance group for the ongoing work and to co-ordinate some of the work to come.

With warm best wishes,
Sabine

August 2022

Sunday 7 th	10.00	The Act of Consecration of Man
	11.00	Coffee
	11.30	<i>Where and how do I find the spirit in matter and daily life? - in the mineral</i> Practising Observation
Sunday 14 th	10.00	The Act of Consecration of Man
	11.00	Coffee
	11.30	<i>Where and how do I find the spirit in matter and daily life? - in the plant life</i> Practising Observation
Sunday 21 st	10.00	The Act of Consecration of Man
	11.00	Coffee
	11.30	<i>Where and how do I find the spirit in matter and daily life? - in the animal world</i> Practising Observation
Sunday 28 th	10.00	The Act of Consecration of Man
	11.00	Coffee
	11.30	<i>Where and how do I find the spirit in matter and daily life? - in the human being</i> Practising Observation

No Wednesday Services in August

September 2022

Sunday 4th	10.00 11.00 11.30	The Act of Consecration of Man Coffee <i>Living in this Moment</i> <i>Wendy Cook shares her biography</i>
Friday 9th -	19.30 -21.00	<i>Building Community? The future of our work out of Anthroposophy</i> Talk by David Adams, Stroud
Saturday 10th	10.00 -13.00 14.30–17.00	Eurythmy and Conversation with Marie-Reine and David Adams <i>Please contact Helen Dolby for details</i>
Sunday 11th	10.00 11.30	The Act of Consecration of Man <i>Council Meeting</i>
Friday 16th	10.00 11.00	The Act of Consecration of Man Coffee+Cake to celebrate the Birthday: 100 years! Perspectives on a Century
Sunday 18th	10.00 11.00 11.30	The Act of Consecration of Man Coffee+Cake to celebrate <i>The Founding of The Christian Community</i> – a member's view Talk by <i>Christopher Cooper</i>
Sunday 25th	10.00 11.00 11.30	The Act of Consecration of Man Coffee <i>The Christian Community International</i> Report from the International Synod and introduction to the book: <i>The Christian Community – Perspectives on a Century</i>

Michaelmas

Thursday 29th **10.00** **The Act of Consecration of Man**
11.00 *Gospel Study of the coming week*

October 2022

Sunday 2nd **10.00** **The Act of Consecration of Man**
11.15 **Service for Children (as of age 7)**
11.45 **Michaelmas Festival**
Details to follow

Sunday 9th **10.00** **The Act of Consecration of Man**
11.00 **Coffee**
11.30 ***The History of***
The Christian Community in Devon
Presentation by Rev Sabine Haus

Wednesday 12th **10.00** **The Act of Consecration of Man**
11.00 *Gospel Study of the coming week*

Saturday 15th **pm** **Meeting of Council with Rev Tom Ravetz**
Sunday 16th **10.00** **The Act of Consecration of Man**
11.00 **Coffee**
11.30 ***The Future of***
The Christian Community in Devon
Meeting with our Regional Lenker
Rev Tom Ravetz

Sunday 23rd **10.00** **The Act of Consecration of Man**
11.00 **Coffee**
11.30 ***The Future of***
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Conversation

Gospel readings for this period

St John's Tide

Sunday, July 3	...	Luke 3:1-18
Sunday, July 10		John 3: 22-30
Sunday, July 17		Matthew 14: 1-14

Trinity

Sunday, July 24		Mark 8:27-38
Sunday, July 31		Matthew 7:1-14
Sunday, August 7		Luke 15: 11-32
Sunday, August 14		Luke 9:1-17
Sunday, August 21		Luke 18:35-43
Sunday, August 28	...	Mark 7:31-37
Sunday, September 4	...	Luke 10:1-20
Sunday, September 11		Luke 17:5-24
Sunday, September 18		Matthew 6:19-34
Sunday, September 25		Luke 7:11-17

Michaelmas

Thursday, September 29		Matthew 22:1-14
Sunday, October 2		“
Sunday, October 9		Ephesians 6:10-18
Sunday, October 16		Revelation 12: 1-12
Sunday, October 23		Revelation 19:11-16

Areas of Responsibility

Treasurer	Caroline D'Alwis
Council	C. D'Alwis, Rory Valentine, Michael Young, Cathy Day, Christopher Cooper, Tom Parker, S. Haus
Maintenance	??? (Rory Valentine, Sabine)
Fire Officer	Michael Young
Servers Rota	Rory Valentine (Sunday), Caroline (Wednesday)
Vestments	Caroline D'Alwis, Cathy Day
Ironing	?
Bread	Helen Franklin
Music	Robert Byrnes, Oliver Mason, Michael Young
Flowers	Helen Dolby and Susan Dudley
Care of the House	Maria Da Silva, Susan Dudley
Pictures	?
Festivals	Michael Young, Sabine
Correspondent	Christopher Cooper
Library	Stephen Eyles
New Books	Sabine Haus
Guest rooms	Sabine Haus

Priest: Rev Sabine Haus

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