

## Our Vision

As disciples of Jesus Christ we will build His community where we live, inviting all people into a relationship with Him.



**This is your church - you are welcome!**

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# Action

Clay Cross Congregation Magazine



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Community of Christ

On the first Sunday of each month there will be a

## **Communion Service.**

In response to the church's challenge to "Abolish Poverty, End Suffering", there will be opportunity during the service to give a donation of food for the Clay Cross Foodbank.

On the second Sunday of each month from  
11.00 am to 1.15 pm will be



## **Messy Church,**

a time for children and adults to  
have fun, make things, eat and  
celebrate God together.

Generally, on the fourth Sunday of each month  
the worship will be more informal. It will be an  
opportunity to build relationships, develop  
friendships, spend time as family and find rest.



## Save the Date

# Clay Cross Congregation Weekend at Dunfield

We are really excited to tell you that we have booked Dunfield House from September 1st to 3rd for another Clay Cross congregation weekend.

More information will follow but please save the date as we would love you to be with us for the weekend.

## Beanstill

Our church is open from 10-12 each Wednesday morning.

**Beanstill** is a safe place where anyone can be.

We offer people a place to talk  
while we listen.

We offer clothing and household items for sale  
at rummage sale prices.

All are welcome to join us for a warm drink and  
beans on toast.

## You are Loved

Recently, I was asked what my vision, as the Clay Cross Pastor, was for our congregation for 2017. As I sat in a worship service on New Year's Day (not in Clay Cross) I felt God's spirit impressing on me that the message people needed to hear was, "**you are loved**".

I am drawn to a scripture in D&C 163 which reiterates this  
*"Collectively and individually, you are loved with an everlasting love that delights in each faithful step taken. God yearns to draw you close so that wounds may be healed, emptiness filled, and hope strengthened.  
Do not turn away in pride, fear, or guilt from the One who seeks only the best for you and your loved ones. Come before your Eternal Creator with open minds and hearts and discover the blessings of the gospel anew. Be vulnerable to divine grace".*

My hope, my vision for 2017 is that you, the people you come into contact with in your daily lives, the people who come through the doors of our church building, the people who are part of our sacred community, will know that they **are loved**.


My desire for each of you at this time comes in the form of a blessing from the words of a hymn (CCS 663)

*I wish God's love to be with you, no matter where you go.  
And I wish that God will always bless your soul;  
that God's love you experience will be like a flowing stream,  
that you'll see God's light come shining through the dark.*


Love Cheryl

# SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday February 5th	<b>Light of the World</b>
Communion Service	Barrie & Janice Fox

Sunday February 12th	
11.00 am	Messy Church

Sunday February 19th	<b>Turn the Other Cheek</b>
Morning Worship	Michael Clarke

Sunday February 26th	<b>Listen to Him!</b>	
Morning Worship	Karen Waring	

Sunday March 5th	<b>Into the Wilderness</b> (World Hunger Emphasis)
Communion Service	Cheryl Fox & Larry McGuire

# Sunday Club - Class Teachers

There will be a Sunday Club on the dates listed below.

## Adult Class Teachers

February 5th	Andrew Fox
February 19th	Barrie Fox
February 26th	Alan Riley
March 5th	Chris Morris
March 19th	Andrew Fox
March 26th	Alan Riley
April 2nd	Barrie Fox
April 16th	Chris Morris
April 30th	Alan Riley
May 7th	Barrie Fox
May 21st	Andrew Fox
May 28th	Chris Morris

It will be assumed that those who are leading the morning worship will also lead the 10-minute Sunday Club opening. If anyone is unable to attend or would prefer not to lead the opening then please let Andrew know on 01246 864028 in advance so that arrangements can be made for someone else to do this.

## Clay Cross Events

### February

Friday 10th

**Business Meeting (7.30 pm)**

### March

Friday 17th

**Games Night (7.00 pm)**

### May

Wednesday 24th

**Coffee Evening (7.00 pm)**

## Mission Centre Events

(all events at Dunfield House except where shown)

17th-19th February

**Explorers Camp** (school years 4-6)

31st March-2nd April

**Leading Congregations in Mission & Band Camp**

23rd April

**Mission Centre Conference**  
(in Birmingham)

1st-5th May

**Spring Retreat**

5th-7th May

**Open House**

29th May-3rd June

**Adventure Camp** (school years 6-10)

Sunday March 12th

11.00 am Messy Church



Sunday March 19th

**Come, Drink Living Water**

Morning Worship

Paul & Sue Norton



Sunday March 26th

**I Was Blind and Now I See**

Baby Blessing Service  
for Alastair Herbert

Cheryl Fox

Sunday April 2nd

**I Am the Resurrection and the Life**

Communion Service

Chris Morris

Sunday April 9th

**Palm Sunday**


11.00 am Messy Church




Thursday April 13th                    **A New Commandment**  
 7 pm Maundy Thursday                    Richard James  
 Cluster Service in Sutton

Sunday April 16th                    **Jesus Lives Again!**  
 Easter Service                    Kim Morris


Sunday April 23rd                    **Peace Be With You**  
 Mission Centre Conference in Birmingham  
 No service in Clay Cross

Sunday April 30th                    **The Lord is Risen Indeed**  
 Morning Worship                    Andrew Fellows                    

Sunday May 7th                    **Hear His Voice**  
 Communion Service                    Alan Riley

Sunday May 14th  
 11.00 am                    Messy Church                    

Sunday May 21st                    **Love Me and Keep My Commandments**  
 Morning Worship                    Daniel Fox

Sunday May 28th                    **Open Our Minds to the Scriptures**  
 Morning Worship                    Lucy Herbert                    

**Weekly Programme**

Sunday	Sunday Club	10.30am
	Morning Worship	11.30am
Monday	Youth Groups	
	- for children Reception - Yr 6	6.30pm
	- for young people Yr 7-13	6.30pm
Wednesday	<b>Beanstill</b>	10.00am
Friday	Little Gems Toddler Group	9.15am
	Foodbank	1.00pm