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# Welcome to CoCoChu.....



## Family news morning this Sunday.....



## All the Latest news at CoCoChu.....

Good Afternoon CoCoChuers!

What are you holding on to that you need to let go? The word surrender typically implies weakness, loss and defeat. Can you actually gain something by giving up?

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Jesus said that the only way to truly live is to fully surrender your life to Him.

The word surrender doesn't have very positive connotations in our society and its not something we really say. It tends to be seen as a weakness. However, surrendering actually takes more strength than you can ever imagine. We don't need to carry shame, worry, ingratitude or fear around on our backs. We need to "give it up completely" as one of the definitions of surrender suggests. I believe that when we surrender our lives to Christ we will find the abundant life promised us in John 10:10.

### **John 10 v 10 from The Message**

"I came so they can have real and eternal life, more and better life than they ever dreamed of"

### **What's been going on at CoCoChu this week:**

- Jon & Freda have carried out their annual PAT Testing at CoCoChu Walwyn Road which they do free of charge! A check on the safety of all our electrical equipment. Thanks so much for this guys!
- We had our weekly team meeting attended by me, Alice, Jon, Jill and Katherine over some croissants and coffee.LUSH!
- We had another important funding meeting organised by Alice.
- Freda had an early morning meeting with a guy who is coming to repair our drains at Walwyn Road.
- A few of us from CoCoChu attended the Hereford Cathedral to mark the beginning of Lent as prepared by Jill who is so gifted at this. Pics above! Such a beautiful place! Especially like the fairly new SAS stained glass window which Val got some lovely pictures of creating a kaleidoscope on the pillars in the sunshine. Sorry, they are tiny! This e-mail is too big to share large images!

### **Other Notices.....**

#### **This Sunday**

The Church Leadership Team will be sharing 2 pieces of important news. We would like as many people from the church to attend as possible.

#### **Sunday 8th March 3.30-4.30pm @ Walwyn Road**

A family feedback morning for all to discuss news from this Sunday. A movie and snacks will be provided for the children. Please put this date in your diary.

#### **Sean and Caroline**

Sean and Caroline will be celebrating their Pearl wedding anniversary \*30 years\* this

weekend! Congratulations to you both and we hope you have a wonderful time.

Here are their top tips to a long and fruitful married life:

1. Limit screen time 🙅(hide, remove or if all else fails, drop a glass on the screen)!
2. Make time for dates, doesn't have to be expensive, cheap cinema, film night, a nice meal, a walk etc
3. Communicate. (This should really be no 1) Two-way communication is vital! Share how you feel, but If you dish it, you have to be prepared to take it 😊 ..... make sure sharp objects are locked away if this gets heated 😂
4. Laugh 😂😂😂

They love each other really. ❤️

Pray for them, for Gods love and peace and rest over the coming days!

### **Regional Women's Event**

A few people have signed up for the Regional Women's Event with Salt and light for those within our Sphere 16th -18th October. They are looking for a few volunteers from CoCoChu (out of those signed up) to join that team. Please let me know if you would like to volunteer. This is a fairly small amount of involvement. Possibly one or two meetings plus a relatively small amount of actions taken away shared out and beyond this team.

### **Foodbank**

Following everyone's generosity over the Christmas period, the shelves at the Foodbank are still fairly full. However, we do have a few shortages as follows:

- Jam
- Tomato ketchup
- Small and medium washing powder (bio and non-bio)
- 500g bags of sugar

As always thank you for your continued support. It is greatly appreciated.

### **Last Sunday**

Katherine shared an amazing talk about the practicalities of being living witnesses from Ephesians. Even going to the rugby was considered important work of the Kingdom :-). If you missed it this is now online and well worth a listen.

### **THIS SUNDAY**

This Sunday is a very important family news morning presented by the Leadership Team. We would like as many people from the congregation to attend as possible so please try to make this a priority.

## Aslan Groups:

- **Running Thread, Luke 4 v 16-30 and Isaiah 61 v 1-2**

Here are a few tips for the season of lent inspired by Pete Greig for [CoCoChu Lent Tips 2020](#)

See you Sunday, much Love

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This week:

- We have had Harry "The Apprentice" on placement at CoCoChu. Harry is 15 and currently preparing for GCSE's and has come to experience life in the office as a youth worker.
- Over the summer Alice intends to run 3 days a week during the day: cooking/craft, sport and then one trip a week or larger activity. Alice has been in touch with the Army (assault course), Eastnor castle...We don't want to give too many spoilers but its so exciting.
- We had a very important funding meeting this week
- Alice is planning an Easter Fundraiser on 11th April. Please put this date in your diary. More info to follow. Alice has some huge prizes already booked in: A meal for 2 at Ask Italian, coffee and cake for 2 at Abbey road coffee, a pamper party for 4 at Lush, breakfast for 2 at cafe Morso, family admission to Eastnor castle and so many more amazing prizes! Raffle tickets will be coming your way to sell to raise money for the summer programme for the youth.

### **This Friday**

Alice is making pancakes with the older group this Friday. They are also having a session on bullying.

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## **Dates for your Diary-**

**Saturday 29th February 10.30 am-12 - Village coffee morning and pancake races**

Led by St James church. All Welcome. Stalls include cakes, books, games, puzzles, children's games and activities.

**Wednesday 4th March - CoCoChu's turn to serve at the Ale House Lunches**

12.15 Pick, 12.30 pm lunch. This is the only one in the year for which Cocomchu is solely responsible. It gives a lot of pleasure on a social level to those who live alone or who care for someone and welcome a meal prepared and hosted by someone else

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**Admirals Cafe Thursday 5th March - 10.45 am Colwall Village Hall**

For those living with dementia either with a diagnosis or as a carer. Refreshments, conversation and support.

**Saturday 11th April @ CoCoChu Walwyn Road times TBC**

A community event to raise funds for the youth group, big raffle, cake sale. More info to follow.

**Want to share in giving?**

CoCoChu is entirely supported by the giving of people who come here. If you would like to speak to someone about giving, then see anyone of the leadership team who can point you in the right direction.

Our giving is totally anonymous to all but the finance team – most people give by standing order, but if you prefer there is a black box for offerings and donations on the welcome desk. If you are a tax payer please do sign a Gift Aid form to enable the church to recover tax and make the money go further. Once completed these can be put in the black box.

Bank details if you need them are: Colwall Community Church 09-01-54 73133709.

By everything I did, I showed how you should work to help everyone who is weak. Remember that our Lord Jesus said, "More blessings come from giving than from receiving." Acts 20:35

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