



**Our Mission Statement is:
"Seeking God's Heart, serving the Community"**



**A warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us this morning.
Refreshments will be served after the service when we can continue our fellowship**

Jez will be leading and preaching at our Covenant Service.

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LEADERSHIP TEAM

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THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY

12-3pm Monday Lunch for the over 50's

TUESDAY

10.30am Prayer Group – Family Room
1.30pm Housegroup – Richard – Garden Café
7.30pm Church Meeting - Church

THURSDAY

2.30-4pm Ladies Fellowship – Main Hall

NEXT SUNDAY

Tricia will be leading & preaching at our Morning Service.

***** Future Dates *****

**Saturday 26th January
Skittles Afternoon**

**Sunday 27th January
6.30pm Holocaust Memorial Day Service –
St Pauls Church**

**Thursday 7th February
5.30pm Church Leader's Meeting – Garden Café**

**Friday 8th February
4-6pm Messy Church**

**Sunday 10th February
Newcomers Lunch**

**Saturday 23rd February
12-4.30pm Cabaret Afternoon – "Sing-in-2-Spring"
(An event to welcome our community to)**

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

We would be grateful that anything for inclusion in the notice sheet is handed in or e-mailed to the Office by 12 noon on Wednesday.

WI-FI

We have Wi-Fi available and the guest code is &John316.

FLOWERS

This week's flowers have been donated by Daphne Lockett in memory of her niece & god daughter Jacki Fox

HOUSE GROUPS

Richard & Debra 01803 540170
Alternate Tuesdays 2pm – Church

Isabel – 1st & 3rd Wednesdays 10.30am
–Family Room 01803 668995.

Steve & Christine
2nd and 4th Tuesdays 7.30pm 01803 529606.

Audrey
Alternate Wednesdays 7.30pm 01803 524217

Alistair & Marion
Alternate Wednesdays 7.30pm
(starting 12th September)

Please speak to a Housegroup Leader or a member of the Church Leadership Team for more details. House groups offer a good opportunity to look more in depth into our Christian faith and to enjoy friendship with each other in a warm and friendly atmosphere. See you there!

MONTHLY OFFERING

The total monthly offerings for December (5 Sundays) were £4514.41. We thank the Lord for his faithfulness to us and for all who give so generously in support of His work here. If you would like to make your giving stretch further and you are a UK taxpayer, please speak to Ian for more information about Gift Aid.

GIVING TO THE CHURCH

*Would you like to give regularly to the Lord's work here by standing order? Our bank details are: Payee: Preston Baptist Church
Our Bank: CAF Bank Ltd
Sort code: 40-52-40*

PRAYER NEWS FROM TRICIA

There are a number of people who need our prayers this week:

Please remember David and Valerie Reddaway and their whole family, especially Will, as they attend Heidi's funeral on Monday 14th.

Please also pray for Alistair and Marion Harper following the death of his father earlier this week.

Our prayers are also needed for -
Joan Green; Sybil Rainbow; Val Howard;
Kim Ewins and her family; Tony and Gwen Eyre; Tom and Anne Davies and Dot Bagnall.

All of these folk really value the prayers that we offer so thank you for the time that you give to prayer.

It would also be good to pray for those who are simply unwell and those who are struggling with depression; for those with job uncertainties or who are looking for work; and for those living alone. May the grace of the Lord fill the lives of each one of us with His presence.

P.S. the preparations at the Over 50s Tea Party looked amazing last week as they were getting ready for lunch.

If you haven't given this a go yet it would be well worth booking your place. See either Janet Fletcher or Debra Barton for details but don't be surprised if you're asked for proof of your age!!

ECUMENICAL EVENT – 2B1

Come and join us at Goodrington Methodist Church on Tuesday 15th January @ 7:30pm. This month's theme - 'Jesus what a friend' - Come and worship. (We have a few new songs every month)

'2B1' is for Christians from all local churches - a place to meet, pray, sing the Lord's praises. To eat good cakes and relax together. We will have song / prayer / reading for about ½ an hour then tea / coffee and cakes followed by a further ½ hour of songs.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who has given me their used stamps since Christmas. Please continue to save your stamps throughout the year, and let me have them, even if it is only a few.

The BMS raises a lot of money from them and that money goes to helping many people all over the world
Audrey White

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY

Account number: 00004856

Standing order forms and Gift Aid forms are available from Ian Barrett

CHURCH NOTICE BOARDS

I wonder how often you look at the notices

If you are on a Church Rota, probably at least once a month, to discover your dates on duty.

However apart from that, research done by Administry revealed that the majority of regular worshippers and visitors to church premises seldom look at them.

Why is that

Well there are a number of reasons.

Firstly there are too many notices, often closely packed together, with too much material on them. So we are not aware of anything new, when it is put up, which we might be interested in. Also because many notices don't change, our minds get used to ignoring them.

Secondly there is such a jumble of information from different groups, we can't easily see what we might even be interested in. There are other reasons but two will suffice.

So change is coming?

Over the next few months the Publicity Action Team, with help from the churches "*resident inveterate notice board reader*", will put together some strategies that we hope will work for us, some learnt from research, and some from years of experience using notice boards.

The Object

To make our Notice Boards more effective

So from now on

Please place all notices for displaying in the Publicity Action Team Tray on the Computer Counter in the Coffee Lounge, and we will display them for you.

KEEPme 2

Please be sure to pick up your KEEPme 2 if you haven't done so already.

OUTSIDE NOTICEBOARD

This will be without a notice for a period of 10 days shortly as the inside of it is repainted.

St Pauls Church are holding the annual Holocaust Memorial Day Service on Sunday 27th January at 6.30pm. Details can be found on the flyer on the noticeboard at the back of church.

FLOWER ROTA

The 2019 Flower Rota has now been prepared and will be displayed at the back of the church. The week for which we still require a sponsor (cost £20) is June 30th.

I have endeavoured to allocate your date as near as possible to the previous one. As some months have 5 Sundays it is not always possible to be exact but if you are aggrieved please see myself or Val Howard re this for the above vacant date. Daphne Lockett

CURRENT PREACHING SERIES

Over the next 15 weeks or so, Jez and Tricia will be preaching from Mark's Gospel - choosing a passage from within each chapter. So we would like to encourage you to read through the relevant chapter prior to each service. Conversation starters for house groups, based on each sermon, will be available each week in the usual way.

"MONDAY LUNCH FOR THE OVER 50'S"

We have brought forward the time it meets on Mondays to 12 noon.

A cooked lunch is now available at a cost of £3, which must be ordered and paid for one week in advance.

Dishes such as Beef Curry, Fish Pie, Roast Dinner and Sausage Casserole, with pudding, will be offered on a four weekly rotation. There will also be jacket potatoes with different toppings, or soup with bread.

Lunch will be served around 12.30 p.m. so please arrive in time to be seated.

We really look forward to seeing you and it will be a good opportunity for you to meet up with your friends for a time of fellowship.