

CHESTER ROAD

Baptist Church

WEEKLY BULLETIN - SUNDAY 3rd MARCH 2019

Sunday morning (10.30am): The Body of Christ (Ephesians 1:15-23)

The Church is God's brilliant idea! As the body of Christ, it's alive, inter-connected, diverse... Stay connected!

Sunday evening (6.30pm): Love is the Way - it always has been (Romans 13:8-14) *Paul calls us to receive and give love - God's love. Love God. Love. Others. Love yourself.*

This week



Disciples' Group will meet on Monday 4th March in the Lounge at 7.45pm. Any queries please contact Mike Miller.

¿Connect small groups

Small Groups – Lent Course 2019: There are two Lent courses starting in preparation for Easter based on the booklet 'At the Cross'. Starting 6^{th} March 2019: meeting 1^{st} and 3^{rd} Wednesday of the month, at the home of Ewan and Ruth

McIntosh – Arthur Road, Erdington, 7.45 – 9.00 pm. Contact: Ewan or Ruth on 07969768620 or e: ewanmcintosh@sky.com. Also, Monday evenings, starting 11th March 2019: every Monday for 5 weeks in the church lounge, 7.45 – 9.00 pm - contact: Mike Miller for further info or see poster.



Early Bird Prayer: next one is on Tuesday 5th March, drop-in anytime between 6.30 - 8.00 am, grab a light breakfast, pray and go!



Midweek Communion: The next one is on Wednesday 6th March at 11.30am; a short communion service with prayers, readings, and liturgy.



Worship Group: The next meeting will be on Thursday 7th March at 7pm. Any queries please contact Jenni Beesley.



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One-2-One: The next lunch will take place on Friday 8th March at 12.30pm. For more information please contact Sue Ridal.



Messy Church: The next session is on Saturday 9th March 2019 from 3-5pm followed by a planning meeting on Tuesday 12th March 2019 at 7.30pm in the lounge.



Flowers this week were provided and arranged by Beryl Bateman.



Annual Report: If you normally write a report for the church's annual reports, please can you do so and forward it to Martin by e-mail once ready.

Prayer Points



Please pray for: Mike, Sue, Steve, Jennifer (aged 10), Rob, Joyce, Murene, Joy, Hazel and Graham. See Contact for other prayer needs.



Please pray for the church. If you know of anyone in need of prayer please let Pastoral Care Leaders, Hazel Wilson and Laurel Trench, know.

Looking ahead



Breakaway: The next meeting 'It's All Greek to Me' will be on Thursday 14th March at 7.30pm. All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you at this friendly and supportive group. If you have any queries please contact Ann Hawkings.



Alpha 'Away' Day is on Saturday 16th March from 9am – 3pm. It is aimed at current participants of the Alpha Course, so please do take this opportunity to deepen your experience of faith. Any queries please speak to Danny.



Church Meeting will take place on Wednesday 20th March at 7.45pm in the Bevan Jones hall.



Save the date: Worship Team workshop - Saturday 23rd March from 10am-2.30pm for all current and interested musicians & singers. Highly practical, input from Clare Soar, lunch together.



Baptist Annual Assembly takes place on 18th-19th May in Telford. Following last year's success we would love an even bigger group from Chester Road to attend. The Union are offering FREE places to 0-13 years (children) and 22-37

years (Millennials). For Chester Road members, we will provide a 50% subsidy. We are keen for many people to go and experience the bigger picture. For more information see Contact or poster or for details of the programme see www.BaptistAssembly.org.uk.



The Life of Jesus exhibition (formally the "Bible Exhibition") will take place on the week March 25th to 29th. Schools are booked but we still need volunteers to help out; if you are able to help please speak to Edwin or Peter as soon as possible.



Next Sunday: 10th March: 10.30am – General Service / 6.30pm – General Service.

- ❖ Welcome to everyone worshipping with us today. First time visit? Please pick up a Welcome Card from the Connection Point in the foyer.
- ❖ In case of fire, please leave via the nearest Fire Exit. Take a moment to locate them. Please assemble in the car park by the traffic lights.
- **Toilets** are located off the foyer. The disabled toilet includes **baby-changing** facilities.
- **❖ Hearing Loop** ✓ is available. Switch to 'T'. It's best to sit in the middle sections.
- ❖ Worship ♣ Feel free to stand, sit, take part or observe as you feel comfortable.
- * Refreshments are free and Fairtrade. Please stay for a cuppa!
- **♦ All room booking** requests & articles for Contact should go directly to Julia in the office either by phone (0121 350 2779) or via email: office@chesterroadbc.org.uk Thank you.
- ❖ Please send items for the Bulletin to the office by Wednesday 7th March thank you.