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Items for the next edition of the Newsflash can be sent to newsflash@trbc.info by noon on Thursday 16th May.

Our services are live in the building from 10:30am each Sunday morning.

If you are unable to attend in person, you can watch the live stream via our website

12th May 2024

Our Pastor, Jon White, will be leading our time together. He will also be speaking on 'Faith, Healing and Miracle Gifts' from John 14v12-16.

We will also be sharing communion together.

7pm Prayer Evening

19th May 2024

Church member, Faith Aldridge, will be leading our time together. Church member, Bob Davey, will be speaking on 'How are we to wait upon the Holy Spirit' from Acts 2v1-4.



Funeral

Arthur Hamilton's funeral will be at the church on Monday 20th May at 2pm. This will be followed by a wake at Leggyfield Court. All are welcome to attend.

Please dress colourful and casual.

Save the date

TRBC family are invited to celebrate Mike Sheppard's 90th birthday!

Saturday 13th July, 3pm until 6pm at the church for an afternoon tea



Activities at TRBC this week:

Monday 13th May - 7:15pm until 9pm - Trafalgar Community Choir

Tuesday 14th May - 4:30pm until 6pm - Sixth Form Tuesdays @ TRBC

Wednesday 15th May - 10am until 12pm - Renew Wellbeing

Thursday 16th May - 2:30pm until 4:30pm - The Welcome Afternoon Tea

Thursday 16th May - 7:30pm until 9:30pm - Worship Group



Plant Sale

Saturday 11th May 10am until 12noon.



Spiritual Gifts

As part of our series looking at the Holy Spirit, we are exploring spiritual gifts. At our Sunday services during this series, you can pick up paper versions of a 'Spiritual Gifts Test' and a 'Talents & Skills Form'. These will help give you an indication of what your main spiritual gifts might be and show you in what context you could best use them.

Alternatively, if you would prefer to do these online, you can visit <u>Free Shape Test</u> which shows a big picture of your spiritual gifts, heart, abilities, personality and experiences.

While you are free to use these resources just for yourselves, if you were willing to share your answers with our pastor, Jon White, that would be a blessing to get to know you more and explore if there might be ways of using your gifts to build and grow God's kingdom.

However please know that sharing your answers does NOT mean you have to sign up to serve in any way - that is entirely up to you!



Serving Opportunities

While all of our activities welcome more help and volunteers, these are specific areas that we currently would greatly value help with:

On Sundays:

Activity

Creche Set Up & Take Down Jon White Chairs Set Up Children's Group Helpers PA & AV Team

Person to Speak to

Peter Rainier Faith Aldridge Jasper Harding

Contact

jon.white@trbc.info peter.rainier@talktalk.net holychatter@msn.com mediateam@trbc.info

During the Week:

Activity

Open/Lock Up for Bookings (mostly on Saturdays, but not all)

Person to Speak to

Faith Aldridge

Contact

bookings@trbc.info

We are also praying about setting up a weekly Toddler Group ('The Ark') and running an Alpha Course later this year.

If you might be willing to help in any way with either of these initiatives, please speak to Rachel White about 'The Ark' and Jon White about Alpha.



Prayer evening

Our next prayer evening will be 12th May.

The prayer evenings are on the 2nd Sunday of the month.

The prayer space will be open from 7pm until 8:30pm. There will also be a prayer meeting at 7:45pm. The prayer room upstairs is also open.

Everyone is welcome to come to part or all of the evening.

If anyone wants to come and needs a lift, please let Pastor Jon know.

Prayer & Praise Evening

Our next prayer & praise evening will be on Sunday 26th May.

7:30pm until 8:30pm

There will be times of praise amongst our time of prayer. The prayer room will also be open.



The Welcome — Cake, Tea and a Chat

This takes place on the third Thursday of each month, with the next tea on **16th May**, 2:30pm until 4:30pm

All are welcome

Invite your friends along

Why not carry an invitation in your pocket for that person you just happen to meet who might just love some company - and cake!!



First Aiders

Are you first aid trained? If you are and might be willing to be a named first aider at the church, please speak to June Duplock.



Prayer room

Meeting Room 2 (blue room) upstairs in the church building has been turned into a prayer room.

If you have a key, or can come with someone who does, you can use it at any time you wish.

If you don't have access, please contact our administrator Faith (details at the bottom of this email) and she will let you know when it's available.



'Isn't Everyone Going to Heaven Anyway?'

A Seminar with Rev. Dr. Stephen Finamore, President of Baptists Together

Saturday 8th June at 2pm

At Trafalgar Road Baptist Church

In this seminar, Stephen will be exploring how Christians might respond to questions such as:

- Can't I just live a good life?
- Isn't Christianity all about love?
- Does Jesus' sacrifice mean that everyone is saved?

Drawing on his extensive work on the Apostle Paul and particularly his letter to the Romans, Stephen will unpack this subject, often called 'universalism', in a way that will help us better understand the Good News of Jesus. This seminar will encourage the church in being a people who reach out to those who need to hear the message of Christianity.

There will also be a short interview about how Stephen sees his role as newly-elected President of Baptists Together and time for Q&A about the whole seminar. Stephen will also be preaching at TRBC the following morning.

Stephen Finamore was Principal of Bristol Baptist College for 17 years and is now Principal Emeritus. Steve has been a lawyer, led a community development project in inner London and worked for a rural development project in the Andes of northern Peru. He trained for Ministry and read theology in Oxford, and was pastor of Westbury-on-Trym Baptist Church. He has been elected to serve as President of Baptists Together for 2024–25. Stephen has written a number of books, and his short commentary on Romans is available free from the Bible Reading Fellowship.

For those in Horsham, he also attended Collyer's College in his late teens!



Mission Ballot Sheet

3 new missions were brought at the recent church meeting - Hope Now, Open Doors, and Good News for Everyone (formerly Gideons). Please fill in this <u>ballot sheet</u> to have your say on which of these missions, if any, we should hear from during a Sunday service. We will need champions for each, if we are to support them.



Our Vision Statement

At this church, we feel called:

'To be a God-centred and family-focused community that helps everyone meet Jesus'

Draft Values

Following the January church meeting, our values have been updated and can be viewed here.

There is a display board in the church with further information, and paper copies of the above document that you can take.



This scheme allows you to make a difference to world mission in a real and practical way. On your Birthday you are sent a card and in return, you send a gift to the BMS. Why not join the scheme today? Every little helps! Contact the church office for more information.

Happy Birthday to those whose birthday is coming up this week:

12th May - Kay Chesters

If you would like BMS World Mission to claim Gift Aid on your donation to the Birthday Scheme, please ask for a BMS Gift Aid declaration from either Helen West or David Chesters.



The Fellowship Fund

As a church we have some money set aside, which is given to those in financial need at the discretion of Pastor Jon and is confidential. If you are aware of a situation, which the Fellowship Fund could help, please speak to Pastor Jon directly.

You can also give money to be used specifically for the Fellowship Fund. You can put money in the offering, in an envelope clearly marked 'Fellowship Fund' and we will make sure it is used only for that purpose.



If you have any prayer requests to go onto the prayer chain, please email them straight to prayer@trbc.info. Please do not email them to anyone else.

If you want to start receiving prayer chain emails, please send an email to the same email address above and put 'Subscribe' in the subject line.



HCT notices

Each week we receive notices from Horsham Churches Together. You can find this week's notices in the <u>link here</u>. This week they include:

News:

- Christian Aid week 12th until 18th May
- Stewards needed for the Watoto Choir concert
- The Bereavement Journey, a place to talk
- Bric-a-Brac donations needed by Horsham Matters
- Horsham District Foodbank 10th Anniversary
- Horsham Community Fridge 2024 Calendar

Events:

- Tuesday 14th May: "Jesus died to save the planet", online session
- Wednesday 15th May: An evening with Pastor Surprise
- Tuesday 21st May: Dementia Information and Support Day at URC
- Friday 7th June: Horsham Matters Charity Golf Day
- Saturday 8th June: Oasis quiz night
- Saturday 15th June: 'Nothing New'
- 18th 22nd June: The Life of Christ 2024 at Wintershall

- Saturday 22nd June: Reclaim Nature Now March & Creation Cries Out Service -London
- Sunday 30th June: The Winton Bournemouth Salvation Army Band & Timbrels
- Saturday 6th July: Women together conference & Saturday 20th July Men together conference
- Sunday 21st July: HCT Worship & Prayer
- Saturday 14th September: Philippa Hanna 'Stained Glass Stories Tour'

Volunteering Opportunities:

- Horsham Matters Trustee & Drivers
- HDAS 2 additional Trustees



Baptist Assembly 2024 17th-19th May

Baptist Assembly 2024 is over Pentecost weekend and will be a wonderful opportunity to be filled afresh with the gift of the Holy Spirit. We will dwell on the words of Acts 2 throughout and prayer will be central. Friends from across the Baptist family will be joining us for what is hoped to be a genuine, contemporary Pentecost for Baptists Together.

Our General Secretary Lynn Green will be our Keynote Speaker who says, 'For me there is an expectation this will be a special and holy space and you won't want to miss out'.

Further information can be found at the **Baptist Together website**.



Volunteers for Holiday at Home @ Brighton Road Baptist Church

BRBC are looking for volunteers to help with their Holiday at Home on Tuesday 20th, Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd August.

They are looking for help in the following areas:

- Catering Lunch team & Refreshments team (morning and afternoon)
- Cake making prior to event
- Craft activities
- Transport
- Chatting/befriending
- Setting up and Setting down
- Planning HaH2024

For more information, or to volunteer, please email michael.hogg@brbc-horsham.org.uk



Proposal for speed change in Trafalgar area

A Speedwatch team was set up a couple of years ago by residents who were concerned at the frequent accidents in the area. They, along with Trafalgar Neighbourhood Council, are working on a proposal to introduce a 20mph speed limit in the Trafalgar area.

The proposal can only progress if the Neighbourhood Council receives enough feedback from residents. Residents are asked to take a few minutes to read the proposal and email their views to 20intrafalgar@gmail.com and to spread the word to other local residents. In the email they should state whether they are a Trafalgar resident or visit the area regularly eg taking children to school, attending church services and events.

Heritage Afternoon Cream Tea

With homemade cakes and scones, and choral entertainment from Trinity Church Players.

Saturday 9th June

Holy Trinity Church

£10 a head including a guided tour of the beautiful Victorian church and grounds

2 sittings: 2pm tea and entertainment, followed by the tour at 3:15pm or: 2:15pm tour followed by tea and entertainment at 3:30pm

Book at the Horsham Team Parish website

Monies raised will go towards the upkeep of Holy Trinity Church and gardens



If you need to contact our Pastor, Jon White, his number is 07513 821549 or email jon.white@trbc.info (please note his day off is Saturday).

If you want to send an email to all the leaders, please send it to leaders@trbc.info and all the leaders will receive your email.

The Church Office number is 01403 240729.

If you need to contact Faith, our administrator, you can send an email to admin@trbc.info

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Hebrews 13v8









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