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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

8th December 2024

Church member, Faith Aldridge, will be leading our time together.

Our Pastor, Jon White, will be speaking on 'Responding to the Promise' from Luke 1v5-38.

We will also be sharing communion together.

15th December 2024

Church member, Steve Strange, will be leading our time together. Church member, Bob Davey, will be speaking on 'Never lose the wonder' from Luke 1v39-55.

7:30pm Virtual Christmas Prayer



Pre-Service Prayer

Each week, all are invited to come and pray over our time together before the Sunday Gathering from 9:45 in the Prayer Room (upstairs in the Blue Room). The worship team will join at around 10:15 before the service starts at 10:30.

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Activities at TRBC this week:

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

Tuesday 10th December - 4:30pm until 6pm - Sixth Form Tuesdays @ TRBC

Wednesday 11th December - 10am until 12pm - Renew Wellbeing

Thursday 12th December - 2:30pm until 4:30pm - The Welcome Afternoon Tea

Thursday 12th December - 7:30pm until 9:30pm - Worship Group

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Collyer's Small Group

Our Student Small Group, known as Tuesdays at TRBC and usually on Tuesdays 4:30pm - 6pm, is looking for, at least, one more leader to help with the group. If you are interested in helping please speak to Pastor Jon.



My Testimony

If you can testify of how God is moving in your life, we would love to hear about it. Speak to your small group leader or email <u>jon.white@trbc.info</u>

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Virtual Christmas prayer

Come pray with us as we enter the Christmas season.

Sunday 15th December 7:30pm

Use this link to join us.



Christmas with TRBC

We have a variety of Christmas events, services and outreach opportunities during December. A printed list of the events will be available on the reception desk on Sundays (please note there are separate flyers for you to give out as invitations to certain events and services).

Christmas Events

Further details later in the Newsflash

Saturday 14th December @ 7pm - Trafalgar Community Choir Christmas Concert

Christmas services

Saturday 14th December - 11:30am

HCT carol service in the Carfax

Sunday 22nd December - 6pm

Christmas with The Chosen Carol Service

Christmas Eve - 11:30pm

Reflective service

Christmas Day – 10am

Family Christmas Day service

Outreach

School assemblies

Pray for the assemblies team as they go to Greenway Junior (9th December, first time) to share the Christmas story with the children.

Family Film

Invite families to join us on **Sunday 8th December** at 4pm to watch <u>The Star</u>.

Delivering cards to neighbours

Sunday 15th December - Chocolates and Christmas cards will be delivered to our neighbours in Fishers Court and White Hart Court after the morning service.

Carols in the community

Come ready to sing some carols. Arrive 30 minutes before the start time. It would also be useful if you could put your name down on the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space so we can inform the venues how many will be coming

Monday 16th December at 2pm at Leggyfield Court

Monday 23rd December at 2pm at Aspen Place

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The Welcome — Cake, Tea and a Chat

This takes place on the third Thursday of each month, with the next on

12th December, 2:30pm until 4:30pm

NB This is the second Thursday of December!

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!!

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Trafalgar Community Choir

Trafalgar Community Choir presents "A CHRISTMAS CRACKER". A festive, fun-filled evening of songs, music, cheese and crackers.

7pm on **Saturday 14th December** at Trafalgar Road Baptist Church.

Tickets are £10 (children free), and all proceeds will go to St Catherine's Hospice.

To book your tickets, please contact Steve Davies on steveldavies37@tiscali.co.uk or 07887 590052



VIGIL for PEACE

and the peoples of Gaza, Lebanon & Israel

Sad, exhausted by the news, feeling powerless?

Maybe coming together as a community, listening to a couple of poems, and standing in silence is somehow useful?

Mondays 9th, 16th & 23rd December

7:30-7:50pm

Outside in the car park of TRBC

A simple gathering welcoming to people of all faiths and none, who wish to stand in solidarity with those suffering unimaginable horror.

Very limited parking. No seating.

Join this "broadcast only" WhatsApp group for updates

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First Aid Course

There will be a First Aid Course taking place
At Trafalgar Road Baptist Church
on Friday 3rd January 2025
10.00am – 4.00pm approx.

No prior knowledge required. Qualification based on Assessment of verbal questions asked on the day & demonstration of practical skills. This day Course is FAA, Level 3

Award in Emergency First Aid.

Suitable for Adults 14+ and upwards (must be able to get down on floor).

Qualification lasts for 3 years from date of course and is regulated by FAA.

Course will be delivered by Mr Justin Singleton – NUCO Trainer/ Teacher.

Cost of course: £50 per person – payable on the day.

Bring your own lunch, Drinks provided

Please reply asap to book a place, on the course, to justinsingleton379@gmail.com
NB. Numbers attending will be limited and the course will be offered to other churches in Horsham.

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TryPraying

'TryPraying' is an outreach initiative, helping ordinary people learn how to pray and discover God's kindness for themselves in just 7 days. You can collect a book, including ones for children, any time from the church building and at our services. There is also an electronic version and, for iPhone users, you can download the app.

As we head into December, why not check in with those you've given a copy and see how they are finding it? Or perhaps you could invite them to our Christmas events or Alpha next year?

The Vision: What if everyone in the church gave a booklet away, and everyone who received one encountered Jesus in some way? What if we had 100 guests at Alpha? What

if we had 100 baptisms at Easter?

Please pray into this initiative as we reach out together.

And as we do, let's remember that there is 'rejoicing in Heaven over one sinner who repents' (Luke 15:7)

For more info, visit <u>TryPraying Website</u> or watch the <u>introductory video</u>.

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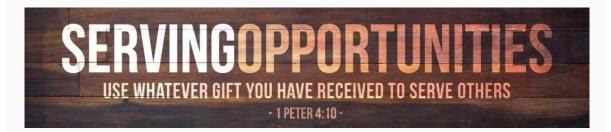


Vision update - September 2024

Our pastor has recently written an encouraging update about our church vision. You can read a copy <u>here</u> and hard copies can be collected from the giving table.

Please do read it and email Jon with any feedback or if you'd like to be involved in a certain area.

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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 Take Down	

Chairs Set Up Traf Kids Helpers PA & AV Team

Person to Speak to

Jon White
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'). If you might be willing to help, please speak to Rachel White.

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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:

- Join the conversation on the proposed Assisted Dying Bill
- Carol Singing at the Christmas Launch Party
- Community Chest voting for HDAS
- Horsham Matters Christmas tree collection

• Save the date: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - 18th-25th January 2025

Christmas Newsletters & Events:

- December Eco Church News, and the 12Rs of Christmas
- The Oasis' Festive Newsletter update
- Friday 6th December: Horsham Borough Band concert
- Saturday 7th December: Fire pit carols
- Saturday 7th December: St Margaret's Christmas Dance
- Saturday 7th December: Christmas movie for families @ BRBC
- Sunday 8th December: Tree of Light service @ St Mark's
- Thursday 12th December: Crawley Cineworld is showing a Christian Christmas concert
- 12th until 16th December: Wintershall Christmas story
- Saturday 14th December: HCT Christmas Carol Service @ 11:30am
- Saturday 14th December: Cornerstone Nativity Festival
- Tuesday 17th December: Christmas SEND Event @ The Horsham Family Hub
- Thursday 19th December: Spirit of Christmas Service: The Gifts we bring
- Friday 20th & Saturday 21st December: An exhibition of Christmas Carols
- Christmas Eve: Horsham Salvation Army's Carols in the carpark

Christmas Appeals:

- Turning Tides, Christmas appeal 2024
- YMCA DownsLink Group
- The Salvation Army Christmas appeal
- Horsham Matters' Christmas Tins or Toys Campaign

Employment opportunities:

St John's Broadbridge Heath - Children's & Youth Leader

Volunteering Opportunities:

- World Day of Prayer Horsham Branch Administrative Support
- Turning Tides volunteer cooks
- Horsham Matters Volunteers

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Gatwick Network Prayer Diary

A new SEBA Gatwick Network Prayer diary has come through for the next few months. You can view and download a copy <u>here</u>.

There will also be a few printed copies at the church, for those who wish to have it in paper form.

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News from the Association

Each month we receive details from across SEBA, updating us on news from the SEBA Team, from the Sector Ministers and news from the Networks (we are part of the Gatwick Network). Each section is full of news and prayer items. Please click on the links below to find out what they have to share.

News from the Team - News from our Sector Ministers - News from the Networks



Christmas carols at Dalesdown - CANCELLED

Due to the weather forecast this weekend, this event has been cancelled.

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Life Issues programme for 2025

At Golalming Baptist Church

- Bullying It's happening everywhere Saturday 25th January 2025, 10am until 12:30pm, led by Revd Peter Jackson. Reserve a place by Friday 10th January 2025
- Supporting those living with cancer and beyond from a relative's perspective -Saturday 15th March, 10am until 12:30pm - led by Daphne Bleach. Reserve a place, with payment of £7, by Friday 28th February
- Engaging and empowering older people Saturday 26th April, 9:30am until 12pm led by Louise Morse. Reserve a place, with payment of £8, by Friday 11th April
- Pastoral Care in challenging times Saturday 14th June, 9:30am until 1pm led by Andy Peck. Reserve a place, with payment of £8, by Friday 30th May
- Trauma: more relevant to every day life than we realise Saturday 5th July, 10am until 12:30pm - led by Libby Williams. Reserve a place, with payment of £7, by Friday 20th June.

Faith has information about each of the events.

To book a place, please contact Sally Pollard pollard3@hotmail.co.uk tel. 01483 428646

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Talking Jesus

Saturday 1 February 2025, 11am-3pm

Shoreham Baptist Church (Western Road, Shoreham-by-Sea, BN43 5WD)

Guest Speaker: Dr Rachel Jordan-Wolf (Executive Director of Hope Together - and the author of the insighful Talking Jesus report)

This event will encourage and equip you to share your faith more effectively.

Discover groundbreaking research into the state of faith in the UK and how best to Talk

Jesus in today's cultural conext

The day includes:

- Q&As
- Research facts & stats
- Small group discussion
- Outreach tools & resources
- Prayer
- Light lunch (*please inform, when booking, of any dietary requirements)

The event is free but donations are welcolme on the day!

To book your place email office.sbc1880@gmail.com - for further information, please contact David Wise.



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 email 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, email admin@trbc.info

If you need to contact Emily, our housekeeper, email housekeeper@trbc.info. Her working hours are Monday and Friday 9:30am until 2:30pm.

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Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

1 Thessalonians 5:11

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