



Due to our administrator being away next week, this is a double issue, covering the next two weeks.

Items highlighted in yellow are new or have been updated

Items for the next edition of the Newsflash can be sent to newsflash@trbc.info by noon on Thursday 2nd January.

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

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

22nd December 2024

Church member, Helen Tilley, will be leading our time together. Church member, Faith Aldridge, will be speaking on 'Know the Good News' from Luke 1v57-80.

6pm Carol service with The Chosen

Christmas Eve 2024 @ 11:30pm

Church member, Cheryl Sims, will be leading our reflective Communion service.

Christmas Day 2024 @ 10am

Our Pastor, Jon White, will be leading our all-in service together, 'Treasure the joy of Christmas!'

29 December 2024

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

Church member, David McCahon, will be speaking on 'Seeing Jesus in 2025' from Luke 2v21-33.

5th January 2025

Church member, Steve Strange, will be leading our time together.

Our pastor, Jon White, will be speaking on our verse of the year, Psalm 46v10.

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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 in the next 2 weeks:

Monday 23rd December - 2pm until 3pm - Carol Singing @ Aspen Place
Thursday 2nd January - 7:30pm until 9:30pm - Worship Group



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 jon.white@trbc.info

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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 venue how many will be coming

Monday 23rd December at 2pm at Aspen Place



Christmas office hours and annual leave

The church office will be closed from Wednesday 25th December 2024 until Wednesday 1st January 2025 inclusive.

Pastor Jon will be on annual leave from Tuesday 24th December 2024 until Wednesday 1st January 2025 inclusive.

Our administrator, Faith, will be on annual leave from Wednesday 25th December 2024 until Wednesday 1st January 2025 inclusive.

Our housekeeper, Emily, will be on annual leave Friday 27th December 2024.



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 TryPraying Website or watch the introductory video.



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?

Monday 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.

To book a place on the course, please email asap <u>justinsingleton379@gmail.com</u>

NB. Numbers attending will be limited and the course will be offered to other churches in Horsham.

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The Alpha Course is starting on Thursday 23rd January 7:30pm – 9pm. There will be desserts, a talk and small group discussions. Sign up yourself or for a friend on the church website: trbc.info/alpha

Invites can be found at the church building. If you want to share a video explaining what Alpha is all about, copy and paste the link and send it to a friend.

WHAT IT IS What is Alpha? - YouTube

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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:

- HCT Christmas & New Year
- Carols in the Carfax 2024
- Rev Tim Carter will be leaving Brighton Road Baptist Church
- Horsham Men in Sheds' December 2024 newsletter
- December Eco Church News, and the 12Rs of Christmas
- The Oasis' Festive Newsletter update
- Community Chest voting for HDAS
- Horsham Matters Christmas tree collection
- CAP Money Coaching & Lifeskills Courses January 2025
- Save these 2025 dates in your diary

Christmas Newsletters & Events:

- Friday 20th & Saturday 21st December: An exhibition of Christmas Carols
- Christmas Eve: Horsham Salvation Army's Carols in the carpark
- Saturday 28th December: Sussex Green Hub
- 18-25th January: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
- Thursday 6th February: Oddments Threatre Co. presents 'The Hiding Place'

Christmas Appeals:

- Turning Tides, Christmas appeal 2024
- YMCA DownsLink Group
- The Salvation Army Christmas appeal
- Horsham Matters' Christmas Appeal

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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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
- 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.

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

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Talking Jesus

Saturday 1st 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 toolds & 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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Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.

Luke 2v11

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