

Church Diary for the Week

Monday 28th September

7.00pm Alpha Course Introductory Supper in the Centre

Tuesday 29th

7.30pm Central Prayer time (until 8.30pm)

Wednesday 30th

10.30am Parents and Toddlers Club meets in the Centre

2.30pm Afternoon Group meets (*see Mary Stephens for details*)

7.30pm Noiz meet in the Centre (*Youth: Sch yrs 10-13*)

from 7.30pm Small groups meet locally (*check with leaders*)

Thursday 1st Oct

7.00pm Overload meets in the Centre (*Youth: Sch yrs 7-9*)

from 7.30pm Small groups meet locally (*check with leaders*)

Friday 2nd

6.30pm Kidzone meeting in the Centre (*Children: Sch yrs 3-6*)

SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER

10.30am Morning Communion Service

Love in the Godhead, Matthew 13:18-29 (p.979)

Preacher: Lance Birks; Read/Pray: Jenny Cull / Leadership Team

6.30pm Evening Service

The New Birth, John 3:1-15 (p.1065)

Preacher: Gary Birch; Read/Pray: Ralph & Marjorie Bullock

Leadership Team Nominations

The following have been nominated to stand for election to the Leadership Team at the Church Meeting on 20th October. Their profiles are available in paper copy from the Welcome Desk and can be downloaded from the Members' area on the church website. Those on our emailing list will also have copies sent to them.

- Ian Kelland • Graham Lunt • David Pengilly • Di Woosley •

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To know Christ and
make Him known

Today's Ministry – Sunday 27th September 2009

10.00am Prayer Time in the Tape Library

10.30am Morning All-Age Service

HARVEST THANKSGIVING - Led by Gary Birch

Tim Hather from the *Open Door Project* will share about the churches' ministry to the homeless in Taunton.

Our gifts of produce today will go to this Project.

Children and youth Since this morning's service is for All-Ages, there will be no separate activities for children and young people who will stay in the service throughout. However, the *crèche* for under 3 yrs operates as normal in a room next to the platform.

12.30pm Bring and Share Lunch in the Centre

6.30pm Evening Service

Theme: 'Compassionate Harvest',

Reading: Matthew 9:35-10:1 (p.974)

Preacher: Stewart Ashcroft

Leader: Gary Birch

Read/Pray: Michael & Di Woosley

Prayer Ministry: there is usually an opportunity to pray with a recognised member of our team after most services. The corner of the worship area to the right of the platform is used for this. Team members wear blue-coloured badges or ask a leader.

Refreshments: you are invited to stay for coffee/tea/squash after our Services

We seek to honour God the Father by enabling people to become mature disciples of Jesus Christ, reaching out in the power of the Holy Spirit.

For your information

1. **WE GIVE A VERY WARM WELCOME** to all our Visitors today and especially to Mr Tim Hather who will speak about the work of the Taunton Open Door Project.
2. **CREECH MEN GO ON A SPACE ODYSSEY** on Friday 9th October, 7.30pm at the church. Come and enjoy an amazing hi-tech planetarium presentation in the mobile Voyager Dome. With the use of the world's most advanced projector, we'll experience a voyage through the Solar System and beyond, touring some of the planets and moons. Presented by Simon Ould who is a Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society. Cost £4pp. Limited numbers so book now with Gary.
3. **RIDING LIGHTS THEATRE COMPANY** are coming to Creech on Friday 16th October with 'Origins & Lemons'. See leaflets and posters for ticket details: call the Box Office on 01904 613000 or book online www.ridinglights.org/o&l
4. **CHURCH WEEKEND AWAY** at Heatree House in Devon (23rd-25th October) has places available. Pick up a booking form from the Welcome Desk and get your deposit back to David soon. Please see Gary re. financial help for the weekend.
5. **...AND CHILDREN'S WORK LEADERS FOR THE WEEKEND AWAY:** if anyone knows a suitable person(s)/team who might run a children's programme at Heatree House during adult sessions on our Weekend Away, please contact Gary asap.
6. **URGENT: TEA BREAK** are looking for help with transporting people to and from the meeting on alternate Tuesday afternoons. One or two persons use wheel-chairs and able helpers are needed to get them to and from CSMBC. Please contact Penny Vincent who is running a rota of willing helpers: Tel. 01823 442372.
7. **TAUNTON TOWN CENTRE CHRISTMAS PRESENTATION.** If anyone would like to join the planning team for this (led by Adrian Prior-Sankey) Lance has details of the next meeting on Wed 7th October.
8. **WEEKLY NOTICES:** Please let Lance have any notices by Wednesday AM.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING 27th SEPTEMBER 2009

Harvest Love Gift this year will go to Tearfund's *Make Life Flow* Campaign which seeks to bring healthy water and essential services to some of the poorest areas of the world. Gift envelopes are available from near the Offering box.

Gifts of Produce brought today will go to the *Open Door Project* in Taunton. Foodstuffs which would be valued to help give good meals to local homeless people are: **Tins of:** minced beef, steak, curry, chilli, stew, ravioli, macaroni cheese, new potatoes.

Packets of: instant mash, crumble mix, pastry mix, granulated sugar.

Jars of: instant coffee and **Bottles of:** squash



PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ARRIVE BEFORE THE SERVICE START TIME
Arriving late detracts from worship for everyone!

Please include in your Prayers...

ILLNESS: We remember especially: Audrey Barber (now home), Lu Kirby (hospital) Gemma Lunt, Dawn Willcocks.

... and not forgetting: Richard Allen, Elsie Coe, Teresa Date, Avis Davison, John Harris, Maggie Kelland, Jean Palfrey, Judy Palmer, Phyllis Perry, Tracy Samphier, Jenny Shuttleworth, Bill & Gwen Stone.

... and some outside CSMBC: Len Schofield (ex-Pastor, Halcon BC) recovering at home, from heart bypass surgery, Michele Wellington.

IN CARE HOMES: Gladys Patrick, Nick Smith (has been very poorly) and Peter Turton.

STUDENTS TO UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE already, or in the next few days:

First year: Tim Blackmore (Cardiff 1), Tom Blackmore (Bournemouth 1); Helen Burke (UWE 1); Ceri Morgan (Cardiff 1), Alastair Paul (Birmingham 1) and Natalie Stephenson (Winchester 1). **Others returning:** Matt Blackmore (Warwick 3), Charlotte Burke (UWE 3); Janice Cull (Reading 3); Lauren Fox (Sheffield 5); Tammy Fox (Worcester 3); Gemma Lunt (Trinity Music, Greenwich 3); Jo Lunt (York 2); Lily Paul (Plymouth 4); Naomi Paul (Leeds 4) and Claire Stephenson (Worcester 3). Laurence Paul anticipates going up to Uni in 2010.

AWAY FROM THE UK: We remember **Ian & Rosie Tremain** continuing on their journey to Beijing and then time in China (until mid-November), and **Hannah Cavaghan** on a 1 yr course at the Hillsongs College in Sydney, Australia.

THE Alpha COURSE starts tomorrow with an Introductory Supper evening.

Please pray for all those involved through the weeks: our guests, the catering team, the leadership team and the Prayer team (see Peggy Darch to join the pray-ers).

PREACHING AWAY TODAY: **Lance Birks** is preaching at Broadway Baptist Church, Derby (10.30)

Mission News for our Prayers

John & Sue Wilson (BMS World Mission in Lyon, France): John Gillard visited the church in Lyon recently and tells us that John Wilson is very busy at this time of year with new church programmes starting up after the summer. The church has grown numerically and the recent refurbishments to the property have been very successful. Pray for John & Sue in this busyness and for their children. Jessica and Robina are at UK Universities (Reading and Exeter, respectively); Tommy and Bonnie continue in their schooling in Lyon. A ministry student living in an apartment above the church will be giving John some help in the coming year.

We also continue to pray for **Sukesh Pabari & family** in Nairobi – especially that the arrangements for leasing a site for a church building will be finalised quickly, and that Jenny's health will stabilise. Pray for **Phil & Cathy Davison** in Yaoundé, Cameroon, in their final months before home (for Cathy!) assignment in the USA.