



CHESTER ROAD Baptist Church

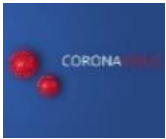
WEEKLY BULLETIN - SUNDAY 15th MARCH 2020

Sunday morning (10.30am): Stewards of Creation (Psalm 115:16)

God is the landLORD and we are the tenants responsible for looking after what is God's.
So, what does it mean to be stewards of God's Creation?

Sunday evening (6.30pm): Roots and fruits (Galatians 5:16-26)

This week



Corona Virus: We are alert to the risk of Coronavirus. Whilst we don't want to overreact, neither must we be complacent. We ALL have a part to play. For more information please see advice leaflets, screens in church or visit our website, www.ChesterRoadBaptistChurch.org.uk/Coronavirus.

1. **Everyone** All of us have both a personal and shared responsibility to follow public health instructions and advice from the UK Government/ Public Health England.
2. **Greet one another** with a holy elbow. Ordinarily, we shake hands, hug, share the peace. Just for now, let's go all-in for elbows.
3. **Catch it. Bin it. Kill it.** Sometimes, the best actions are the most simple. Always sneeze into a tissue or your upper arm. (Never into your hands.)
4. **Hand-washing.** Frequent and thorough hand-washing throughout the day is vital. Each time, wash/ scrub for 20 seconds - long enough to recite the Lord's Prayer!
5. **Cleaning.** We've revised our on-site cleaning schedule and cleaning materials to be more antiviral. Please use the hand sanitizer provided.
6. **Communion.** We already use individual cups. Now we're using pre-cut cubes of bread to reduce risk of cross-contamination.



Preaching elsewhere: Please pray for Ken Hawkings as he preaches at Trinity Monkspath at 10am and Hockley Heath at 4pm today.



Lent Groups at CRBC will take place in the lounge on Monday 16th March at 7.45pm (led by Mike Miller), Tuesday 17th March at 1.45pm (led by Edwin Boddington), Wednesday 18th March at 7.30pm (led by Danny Brierley) and Thursday 19th March at 7.30pm (led by Carys Egner). See ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/LentGroups.



Expenses – Our financial year ends on 31st March. To aid our year end balancing no expenses will be paid in the last week of March. Please ensure any cheques you have from CRBC are cashed before 30th March. Many thanks, Peter.



Worship Group: The next meeting will be on Monday 16th March at 7.45pm. Any queries speak to Jenni Beesley.



Early Bird Prayer is on Tuesday 17th March, drop-in anytime between 6.30 - 8am, grab a light breakfast, pray and go! ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Prayer.

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Club Tuesday will meet on Tuesday 17th March at 11.30am. Any queries contact Norma Scott.



Messy Church planning meeting will take place on Tuesday 17th March at 7.30pm in the lounge.



Midweek Communion is on Wednesday 18th March at 11.30am. A weekly short service with liturgy, prayers and readings followed by coffee/tea.



Stay & Play every Tuesday and Thursday, 9.30-11am. Are you able to volunteer? If so, please contact Carys Egner - CarysEgner@ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk or 07596 225460.



Job Club at Chester Road is every Thursday 10am–12pm in the Primary. Thank you for your continued support and prayers. Wendy Sharples (Coordinator).



Church Meeting: The next church meeting will take place on Thursday 19th March at 7.45pm in the Bevan Jones hall. All are welcome.



Contact: The deadline for Contact is next Sunday, 22nd March, please pass any information or articles to Julia in the office (0121 350 2779 / office@chesterroadbaptist.org.uk).



Welcome (Host) Team: There will be a meeting of the team straight after Sunday service next Sunday 22nd March in the lounge. This will be an opportunity to consider how the 'hosting' is developing and to voice any concerns. This is open to the whole of the team and anyone else interested in 'hosting'.



This month we ask, *Whose Earth?* What should we be doing to better care for God's Creation? We'd love to pull together a small team to help us as a church become more environmentally responsible. Passionate about the environment? Talk to Danny Brierley.

Prayer Points



Please pray for: Matt T, Pat, Cis, Clifford, Thelma, Paul, Mike, Dennis and Sue, Steve, Joyce, Joy, Amena, Jessie, Carol, Dorothy, Paula, Irene, Eileen, Ann-Marie, Renee, Margaret and Maurice and Allen Cooper. 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



Not yet baptised? Our next baptisms & faith stories service is on Sunday 29th March. Talk to Danny, Liz, Carys or one of the Leadership Team to find out more.



Haydn's Last Words of Christ: A concert featuring Bridge String Quartet / Colin Twigg CBSO with poetry readings by Christopher Kent will take place on Thursday 9th April at 7.30pm here at Chester Road. Please invite friends and family.



Next Sunday: 22nd March 2020

10.30am: Celebrate and Respond Service / **6.30pm:** General Service

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- ❖ **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@ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk - Thank you.
 - ❖ **Please send items for the Bulletin to the office by Wednesday 18th March – thank you.**
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