

Welcome to Tamworth Baptist Church

If this is your first visit here we offer you a very warm welcome.

Please make yourself known to us, and join us for a cuppa
and a chat after the service.

Also please do pick up a leaflet that gives more details of all our
activities and contact details etc.

Sunday 25th March - Palm Sunday

11am **Sunday celebration** led by Graham at Belgrave

Readings: Mark 11:1-11

6.15pm **evening celebration** led by Graham at Belgrave

Readings: Mark 11:15-17, 27-33 & 14:1-11

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Hearing loop systems are installed at both our buildings. Please switch hearing aids to 'T' position and let someone know if you have any problems.

For your diary (and for your prayers please):

Mon 26 7.30pm **exploring spiritual gifts** at Belgrave

Sat 31 11am - 1pm **learn to crochet** at Belgrave - It would be helpful but not essential to bring a crochet hook and some wool. Everyone is welcome. See Anne Clarke for more information.

Graham's day off

Easter services: see back page for more information

Thur 29 Maundy Thursday 7pm at Belgrave, a short service (no meal)

Fri 30 Good Friday - **walk of witness in town** - see separate info box

Sun 1 Easter Day

6:20am **SunRise service** at Belgrave, including communion

8:30am **communion service**

9:00am breakfast

11am **Easter celebration** led by Graham at Belgrave

No evening service

Mon 2 bank holiday so no prayer meeting

Thur 5 7:30pm **Thursday fellowship at Belgrave**

Graham's day off

Sat 7 **prayer breakfast at Belgrave**

Sun 8 11am **all-age Church** led by Graham at Belgrave

6:15pm **evening celebration** led by Graham at Belgrave

For our regular weekly events, and our special events,
please see our website: tamworthbaptists.org.uk

Hanbury's Farm Class Visits

We have arranged for each class at Hanbury's Farm School to visit the church building over the Summer Term. They'll be with us for around 45 minutes and it's a great opportunity to share with them something of what we believe. The dates of the visits are Tuesday 24 April; Wednesday 2, Wednesday 16 and Thursday 24 May; Tuesday 19, Wednesday 20 and Thursday 21 June. All the visits will be at 1:45pm.

If you would like to be involved in these visits please let Graham know.

Bert Cole, Phil Cole's father, died at the age of 95 on Sunday 18 March. Please pray for Phil and Ann at this time.

Joan Muggleston died on Monday 19th March and her funeral will be on Monday 9th April - 10am (or possibly 9:45) at the church and 11am at Sutton Coldfield Crematorium. Please do pray for her family at this difficult time.

Joan Moncrieff, Ann Cole's godmother, died on Wednesday 21st March. Ann was very close to Joan so please pray for her and for Phil as they experience this loss.

Trevor's brother, Peter, has died following cancer. Please pray for Trevor; for Peter's wife, Chell, and their children at this difficult time.

Questions to help you think about today's teaching - to discuss in housegroups, or use at home:

Two disciples on Palm Sunday (Mark 11:1-11)

1. What challenges you most in the attitudes, actions and behaviours of the two disciples sent to get the donkey for Jesus?
2. What are you able to do to encourage others to appreciate and welcome Jesus for themselves?
3. Even if we don't understand what Jesus is doing, even when he asks us to do things that seem pointless, are we prepared to be obedient to him because we trust him and love him?

Two agendas (Mark 11:15-17, 27-33; 14:1-11)

1. In Mark 11:15-17 we see Jesus working to remove barriers to worship. What barriers may we be putting in the way of people meeting with Jesus?
2. In Mark 11:27-33 (and elsewhere in the following chapters) Jesus is presented with "trick questions" to trip him up. How can the example of Jesus help us in responding to those who ask questions of us?
3. In Mark 14:3 we see an act of profligate worship. How much are we prepared to give for Jesus? Or do we, like the disciples, criticise those who we think are giving "too much"?

Easter Services 2018

Over Easter we will have another opportunity to focus on the sacrificial death and powerful resurrection of Jesus and how these events have changed history and our lives.

As we prepare to celebrate his resurrection on Sunday morning we'll be working through Mark's Gospel to see how the story unfolds.

On Palm Sunday (25th) in the morning we'll be looking at things from the perspective of the two disciples Jesus sent to find a donkey for him to ride into Jerusalem. And in the evening, we'll be looking at the "two agendas" that were being followed in the events leading up to the cross – God's agenda and that of the opposition to Jesus.

On **Maundy Thursday (29th) we meet at 7pm** to think about the Last Supper from the perspective of the two disciples Jesus sent to prepare the Passover meal – and in that context we'll share communion together. But we won't be having a meal together as we have done in previous years.

We have no services on **Good Friday** but encourage people to get involved in the TCC-organised Walk of Witness in town – leaving Ventura Park at 9:30 with a short service in St. Editha's square at 10:30.

On Easter Sunday there are a range of opportunities to remember, to reflect, to celebrate:

Our **6:20am sunrise communion** – to think of what happened as dawn broke on that first Easter Sunday

A **short communion service at 8:30am** – looking at the journey from death to resurrection through the eyes of some of the women involved

An opportunity to share breakfast together from 9am – please sign up so we have an idea of numbers. There will be a voluntary donation to go towards the costs, but please come anyway even if you can't afford anything

Our **morning celebration from 11am** where we recognise and rejoice in the fact that Jesus who was dead is alive again, and alive forever

We have no evening service that day

Please join us for as many of these occasions as possible as we celebrate our crucified, risen and glorified Saviour and Lord.

BIBLE READATHON



OUT LOUD, NON-STOP
FROM COVER TO COVER

St Editha's Church, Tamworth
Wed. 4th July - Sat. 7th July 2018

Be part of a 'once-in-a-lifetime' event.
More details coming soon!

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Good Friday Walk of Witness **HELP NEEDED**

The organisers of the Good Friday walk in Tamworth are asking for volunteers to act as stewards. An opportunity to wear a high-viz jacket, give out booklets to people, direct those wanting prayer to the prayer team.

If you would like to get involved please contact Jessica Harrison on jessicaharrison2502@gmail.com or 07876 586973.

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Good Friday 30th March 2018



Walk of Witness

9.30 am – meet at Ventura Park at the back of New Look for prayer
9.40 am – Walk of Witness begins with pauses en route for prayer

Service of Witness

In St Editha's Square
10.30 am

Prayer walking on Honeybourne

Over the next few months we will be delivering copies of the "Good News" newspapers to homes on Honeybourne and would like as many people as possible to be praying for this. Please do pray and, if possible, take time to walk around Honeybourne and pray for the people who live there. There is a tick-sheet on the noticeboard to show when you have done this.

Wednesday Coffee...

There are three groups that meet for coffee on Wednesday mornings:

10-11:30am: at our building in **Dosthill** - pop in for tea, coffee and cake (often home made!) for a small donation

10am - noon: a group of ladies meet at **Druckers** in Ankerside shopping centre in Tamworth.

10am - noon: a group of men meet at **A&Bs** in Ankerside Shopping centre in Tamworth.

You are welcome to drop in to any (or even all) of them any time, and to bring friends along too.

* tea and other drinks are available!

Tamworth Street Angels

The Street Angels go out into town on Friday or Saturday nights to help people who have partied too well or are in need of help at night. They have been a great blessing to many.

They aren't currently able to go out each week due to lack of staff and so are looking for new people to join them. It involves accompanying them for a few hours at a time for training and then, once trained, to go out once a month. You go in groups of 3, start about 10.30, have a break at midnight and then finish time depends on how busy it is - normally by 1am with the latest finish time being 4.30am!

If you would like to volunteer or find out more, please contact Vic Van Den Bergh on minister_stf@btinternet.com or 07770900712

Notices: If you have any items for next week's notice sheet please send them to **Jo Criddle**, by 7pm on Thursday
email: jo.criddle61@gmail.com or phone 01827 280471