

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 16th December

11am **Sunday celebration with communion** led by David Grainger
Reading: John 9:35-41

6:15pm **evening celebration** led by Bev Smith
Readings: Psalm 23, John 10:1-18

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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 prayers - all at Belgrave unless otherwise noted:

Mon 17 7:30pm **prayer meeting** at Dosthill

Thur 20 12 noon - 3 course Christmas lunch. £8 for adults and £4 for children. ***Please sign up on the list if you want to attend*** and feel free to invite friends, family, colleagues etc.

Sat 22 **winter night shelter** is in our building at Belgrave

Sun 23 11am **Sunday celebration** led by Graham
5pm **carol service** led by Graham - ***note the different start time***

Mon 24 11:30pm **midnight communion** led by Graham

Tue 25 10am **family celebration** led by Graham

Graham has a few days off from Wed 26th to Wed 2nd January

Sat 29 **winter night shelter** is in our building at Belgrave

Sun 30 11am **Sunday celebration** led by our deacons
No evening service

Tamworth Churches Carol Events

Carol Singing

- * Tuesday 18th December in the SnowDome Foyer, 6.30-7.30pm
- * Thursday 20th December outside Asda, 6.30-7.30pm (dress warmly – followed by a hot drink)

TCC Carols

- * An outdoor carol service with live band, Saturday 22nd December, 2.00-3.00pm, Tamworth Town Hall

Mince pies needed!

It would be great to have mince pies, chocolate goodies, cakes etc to offer people after the carol service. If you could bring some, please let Jo know (we don't want too many left over!) Thanks.

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

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

Why did Jesus come? - to bring judgement (John 9:35-41)

1. Jesus claimed that because the Pharisees asserted that they could 'see', they brought judgement on themselves. What are the implications of this for us?
2. What do you think of Jesus' claim that the man a man was born blind so that the work of God might be displayed in his life? (see John 9:3)
3. As we journey through Advent, what are the signs of light shining in the darkness that you can see in the world today?

Why did Jesus come? - to bring abundant life (Psalm 23 & John 10:1-18)

4. The illustration of a Shepherd is used in the Bible to describe the way God looks after, protects and cares for people. Can you think of a modern equivalent of a Shepherd that would describe God's care that people today could identify with?
5. The thief comes only to steal, and kill and destroy; (v10) - in what ways can the fullness of life that Jesus offers us be stolen or damaged?
6. Are we living life to the full – as Jesus intends and in what ways are we working to help Jesus bring others to Jesus (v16).

Helping at St Editha's bookshop and Fairtrade stall

If you have 3 hours to spare once a week, then why not volunteer in St Editha's church bookshop and Fairtrade stall?

You will always work with someone you are never left by yourself. The hours are 09:30-12:30 or 12:30-15:30 on Monday to Saturday.

For more details see Charles Clark or

phone Sue Bradley on 01827 58961 or mobile 07906158755

Thank you...

- to all who supported the Girls Brigade fayre in any way, and especially to those who put in a lot of work, they raised £210
- for the items and donations that have been given to provide Christmas Hampers for CAP clients. They have brought smiles and tears and will make a difference to people's Christmas where life is tough.

REGULAR MEETINGS

SUNDAY

11.00am Morning worship & children's groups at Belgrave

6.15pm Evening worship at Belgrave

MONDAY

9.30am Playcentre at Dosthill

2.30pm Housegroup - Cringlebrook, Belgrave

3.45pm Messy Church, once a month at Dosthill

7.30pm Prayer meeting at Dosthill

TUESDAY

9.30am Playcentre at Belgrave

10.00am Craft Sessions at Belgrave

12 noon Playcentre lunch at Belgrave every other Tuesday

6.00pm Boys' Brigade at Belgrave - please ask for start times

7.30 or 8pm Housegroups - Dosthill & Torc Avenue

WEDNESDAY

10.00am Coffee mornings at Dosthill, or Druckers or AB's in town

5.00pm Girls' Brigade at Belgrave - please ask for start times

THURSDAY

9.30am Playcentre at Belgrave

7.30pm Thursday fellowship, roughly alternate weeks, at Belgrave

7.30pm Church meeting at Belgrave - last Thursday in every other month

FRIDAY

7:30pm Signs for Worship - a time of worship for those with BSL and/or English

SATURDAY

8.30am Prayer breakfast 1st Sat in month, at Belgrave

Please ask for more details of any of these if you are interested.

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is a national debt counselling charity with a network of 306 centres based in local churches. CAP offers hope and a solution to anyone in debt through its unique, in-depth, free and confidential service.

The Tamworth Centre is based at our Belgrave building, Joy Dean is the centre manager, please speak to her for more information.

<http://www.capuk.org/>