

**NEXT SUNDAY – 1<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2017**

**10.30am – Brigade Enrolment Service led by David Baker**

**6.30pm – Communion Service led by Alan Pike**

**For your notes:**

**Fire Alarm** – in the unlikely event the fire alarm sounds those in church should exit via the rear doors only, those in other areas should leave via the nearest exit. **Do not exit via the foyer.**  
Please assemble in the car park by the traffic lights.

**ITEMS FOR THE NEXT BULLETIN TO THE OFFICE BY THURSDAY 28<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017 PLEASE.**

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## **CHESTER ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH**

**Chester Road, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands B73 5HU  
SUNDAY, 24<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017**

**Church Secretary      Martin Ridal  
Church Treasurer      Peter Vincent  
Church Administrator      Julia Grant**

### **TEXT FOR THE YEAR**

*'Let us hold on firmly to the hope we profess, because we can trust God to keep his promise' (Hebrews 10:23)*

### **TODAY'S SERVICES – HARVEST SUNDAY**

**10.30am – 'The parable of the great Banquet' (Luke 14:15-24)  
Service led by David Grainger**

**6.30pm – 'Harvest Thanksgiving'  
(Matthew 20:1-16)  
Service led by Ann Willis**



We give a warm welcome to everyone worshipping with us today. Please make yourself known to us and kindly sign our visitors' book.

If you wear a hearing aid, you may find it easier to use our induction loop by switching your hearing aid to 'T' and sit towards the centre of the church.



Following the morning service, tea and coffee are served in the foyer: Everyone is welcome. In the morning young people are invited to join Junior Church or use the crèche.

## This week



**Prayer Meetings for the Pastorate:** The next meetings are: **15<sup>th</sup> October at 10am** led by Sue Ridal; **22<sup>nd</sup> October at 6pm** led by Edna Jones. Please make every effort to join us for these important prayers.



**Disciples' Group:** The next meeting will take place on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September in the Lounge at 7.45pm. The Disciples group recently completed the Bible Course by the Revd Andrew Ollerton and will be holding a series of discussions/ Q&A over the next few weeks on Paul's Journey (25 Sept) and Revelations (2 Oct). The group meets at 7.45 – 9pm and is open to anyone who would like to join us; each session will be led by one of our ministers. For further information contact Norma Scott/Mike Miller.



**Housegroups:** Tuesday Group next meet on 26<sup>th</sup> September in the Lounge at 1.45pm. The next Young Person's group is TBA.



**The Coffee Morning** in aid of Mission at Beryl and Brian Bateman's home on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September raised £115.



**Flowers:** Volunteers to help with flowers are most welcome. We have cash in the flower fund which has been donated. Please see the rota on the church desk. Thanks, Barbara.



**Gift aid:** CRBC runs a gift aid scheme which means that if you financially support the work of the church and pay UK tax, then the church is able to claim back the tax on money given. If you would like to know more about gift aid and so increase the value of your giving please see Martin Ridal.



**A sting in the Tale!** George Road Baptist Church is hosting 'An audience with Ish' on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm; tickets are £5. Please see poster for more details.



**Contact** is out today, please take a copy.

## Prayer Points



**Please** pray for Barry & Dorothy Langstone; Joy & Steve Stevenson; Amena Peterkin; Joyce Norbury, Brenda Reading, Jessie Whitehouse, Sue Ashford, Madeleine Moxon and Pat Thompson who is awaiting a hip operation.



**Please** also pray for the church as we continue our search for a new minister. If you know of anyone in need of prayer please let Pastoral Care Leaders, Hazel and Laurel, know.

## Looking ahead



**Tea Dance:** The Memory Cafe are holding a 'Tea Dance' on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September from 2-4pm at Sutton Town Football Club; advance tickets are £7.50 and it will be £8.50 on the door. Please see the poster for more information.



**Church Walk:** The next walk will take place on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October at the farm off Whitehouse Common Road at 10.30am. This is not a circular walk but it's a pleasant one. Please meet by the public footpath sign at the entrance to the farm on Whitehouse Common Road and Tamworth Road. Parking is outside houses on the slip road opposite. For more info please call Edna Jones.



**One to One:** The new date for the next One-to-One lunch is Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October (not the 13<sup>th</sup> October as detailed on the programme). Any queries please contact Ann Hawkings.



**Ladies Group:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Bible Course will be on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October from 9-10.30am. For more information please contact Judith Miller.