





Our Sunday services are usually streamed live on the internet and video recorded. For GDPR purposes, it is presumed that people attending are happy to appear in it. If you would prefer not to, please feel free to sit near the back centre or back left as facing the front of the church which does not appear on film.

Sunday 10 November 2024

God cannot give us a happiness and peace apart from Himself, because it is not there.

There is no such thing.

C.S.Lewis

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Welcome to this week's e-news!

Please have your shoeboxes ready this week. And if you can support the Big Quiz night on Saturday it starts at 7pm. Join a team here, or bring your own!

Please note the arrangements for today's morning service:

The arrangements for this coming Sunday morning are:

- * We join the Town Parade at the memorial in St James' Square at approximately 10:30/10:45.
- * Following the parade, refreshments will be available back at MBC.
- * Then there will be an all-age service, with the Scouts, at approximately 11:45 12:15.

Click here for Morning Worship

6:00pm Links Youth Club for 11+ aged Young People

6:30pm Evening Worship led by Jonathan Romans 8:12-32 how to be the brother or sister of Jesus.

Click here for Evening Worship

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 11th November

7:00pm Art Fringe

TUESDAY 12th November

9:45 - 11:30am Ladies' Bible Study

10:30 – 11:30am – Tuesday Coffee at Café Nero, Monnow Street.

3:00pm - Men's Coffee - at Coffi Lab.

7:30pm Church Members' Meeting – all welcome to attend.

WEDNESDAY 13th November

9:30 - 11:30am Footprints

THURSDAY 14th November

7:30pm Ladies' Bible Study

FRIDAY 15th November

7:30am Men's Bible Breakfast

8:00am for the study.

9:30 - 11:30am Ladies' Bible Study

SATURDAY 16th November

2:30pm Serving Our Streets. Meet at MBC.

SUNDAY 17th November

10:30am Morning Worship led by Andrew Symes

Jonathan is at Cross Ash

6:30pm Evening Worship led by Jonathan.

The service is followed by the Lord's Supper.

FELLOWSHIP NEWS



<u>Saturday 16th November</u> we have a BIG QUIZ night in support of Tearfund. 7Pm here in the chapel. Come with a team or turn up and join one. Refreshments will be available.

SAMUEL'S HOPE 2024

If you would like to contribute to Samuel's Hope, please use the link below.

https://www.stewardship.org.uk/pages/SamuelsHope2024

CHURCH MEETING

The next Church Meeting is due to take place on 12th November at 7:30pm. All welcome to attend.

OUR DAILY BREAD

The next quarter of 'Our Daily Bread notes are in the foyer for anyone who would like one.



A believer's baptism service will be held during the service on **24**th **November**. Would you like to consider baptism? Please speak to Jonathan

FOOD.GIVES

Each week, we read about further persecution of God's people, particularly in Muslim, Hindu and atheist run countries. So often, they are at the back of the queue for humanitarian aid or denied access to food because of active persecution against them. Barnabas Aid collects food for them through their 'food.gives' initiative. So, each week leading up to Christmas, there will be boxes in the foyer to take and fill. Please be generous in your giving of packets of rice, lentils, chickpeas, sugar and salt. I will then take the boxes down to the warehouse in Swindon. The recipients are so grateful for being remembered by us, through our giving and our prayers for them. Indeed, their prayers of thanksgiving to God should be a great encouragement to us who give.

Galatians 6:10 - Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

Simon Beber

EVENTS AT RURAL CHURCHES

An Advent Service at Zoar Baptist, Pandy, 4:00pm on Thursday December 5th. Guest Speaker is Mark Fairweather–Tall.

Sunday 8th Dec at 4pm at Norton. A service, to dedicate their new illuminated cross, with carols and communion followed by refreshments. All welcome to attend.

Sunday 22nd at 3pm, Cwmerra Carol Service.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please let us know if you would like the fellowship to pray for you. .

Pray for the Links Youth Fellowship

Pray for those seeking baptism

Pray for the shoeboxes to be a blessing to the children who receive them.

Pray for Israel, Palestine and Lebanon and for an end to the ongoing war in Ukraine.

Appeals and information about the experience of Christians in Lebanon can be found here:

https://bmsworldmission.org/prayers-for-the-world



Gift-filled Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are delivered together with the Good News of Jesus Christ as expressions of God's immense love for a child. So, be sure to make them ...

FUN: Include a special item (and other new toys) to delight the child. **FULL:** Add school supplies and personal care items to fill empty spaces. **PERSONALISED:** Make sure every shoebox is unique and covered in prayer. Prayerfully packed shoebox gifts lead to evangelism, discipleship, and the multiplication of believers and churches around the world.

A donation of £5 per shoebox is critical to help cover collecting, processing, shipping, and evangelism training and materials. Give online through Follow Your Box and discover the destination of your gift.

Find packing tips and ways to give:





"Shoebox gifts are like snowflakes— no two are alike!"

- Franklin Graham
President, Samaritan's Purse

Build a Shoebox

ONLINE



With just a few clicks

you can build an Operation Christmas Child shoebox gift online to help share the Good News of Jesus Christ with a boy or girl in need around the world. **Simply select toys** and other fun items you'd like to include from our collection, and personalise your gift with your own letter and photo. **We'll pack the gift for you** and send it on its way for a donation of just £25.

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WORLD FOCUS

BURKINO FASO

At least 200 civilians have been killed in Manni, a village in eastern Burkina Faso, following repeated attacks by jihadists. It isn't known how many of those murdered are Christians but the area is home to a large Christian community. The terrorists first hit the local market where many inhabitants had gathered then they went into the houses and shops to kill those who had taken refuge there, and set fire to them, burning the victims alive. The next day they returned, setting cars on fire, shooting at medical personnel and other individuals.

Manni was considered a safer place to be, and many who were living there had fled jihadist violence in other villages. All the surviving inhabitants of Manni have left the village, including all remaining Christians.

In sub-Saharan Africa, there are 16.2 million Christians who are displaced by violence and conflict, and these recent attacks are the latest example of a trend of escalating violence in the region. The church in Africa is calling upon the global body of Christ to stand with them – and one way we can do that is by signing the Arise Africa petition, calling for protection, justice and restoration.

Pray:- Please keep praying for all Christians affected in the region. And if you are so led, please sign the Arise Africa petition.....https://leavesofhealing.org/petition?base=25

Simon Beber

SPORTS

All ages and abilities are welcome, including friends or people who aren't regular visitors to the church. Some events need to be booked in advance.

Tennis - Please speak to James Endicott to play at Monmouth Tennis Club's excellent facilities on Monmouth Sportsground; cost £4 per session for non-members (free for members).

Football - Jim Barker runs 5 a-side football sessions, currently fortnightly on a Friday at 7pm. If you are interested in joining, please speak to Jim or James Endicott to be added to the Football Whatsapp Group.

Basketball - Please ask for details.

MBC GIVING

Thank you for your continued giving to the work of the Church. Please use the Monmouth Baptist Church details for direct giving: Sort code 20-00-85, Account number 10615668.

Also, if you are a taxpayer, we can arrange for Gift Aid to claim tax back.

You can also give online at www.give.net/monmouthbc.

There are boxes in the chapel for those who like to give in person.

Thank you again for giving to the Lord's work here.

If you know anyone in the fellowship in financial need, we may be able to help from our Assistance Fund. Please contact Jonathan.

And if you would like to contribute to the Assistance fund, please make your gift in a marked envelope, or online indicating "Assistance Fund".

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