

A very warm welcome to everyone visiting our church today. It's great that you're here this morning, we hope that you enjoy today's service. We would love to get to know you better, so please join us after the service for tea and coffee if you are able.

Sunday 26th May 2019

10.30am - Morning Service

5.30pm - Rose Garden Church

For your Prayers

We are thankful for the holidays this week, thankful that we live in a country that values times of rest.

Pray that students and teachers would be able to relax and return refreshed for the last half term of this year.

Pray for those who have exams, that they would be able to revise, and find a balance between revising and resting.

Remember those with ongoing health concerns. Niels, Rose and Mark

Remember Brian and Pauline C's daughter, Diane, who is now home recovering, with further appointments this coming week.

Today's Reading

Mark 6:45-56 (NIV)

Jesus Walks on the Water

⁴⁵ Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. ⁴⁶ After leaving them, he went up on a mountainside to pray.

⁴⁷ Later that night, the boat was in the middle of the lake, and he was alone on land. ⁴⁸ He saw the disciples straining at the oars, because the wind was against them. Shortly before dawn he went out to them, walking on the lake. He was about to pass by them, ⁴⁹ but when they saw him walking on the lake, they thought he was a ghost. They cried out, ⁵⁰ because they all saw him and were terrified.

Immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take courage! It is I. Don't be

afraid." ⁵¹ Then he climbed into the boat with them, and the wind died down. They were completely amazed, ⁵² for they had not understood about the loaves; their hearts were hardened.

⁵³ When they had crossed over, they landed at Gennesaret and anchored there. ⁵⁴ As soon as they got out of the boat, people recognised Jesus. ⁵⁵ They ran throughout that whole region and carried the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And wherever he went—into villages, towns or countryside—they placed the sick in the marketplaces. They begged him to let them touch even the edge of his cloak, and all who touched it were healed.

Thought for the Week

The way to know God is not by mental search, but by giving attention to Jesus Christ. The search for God can end in the contemplation of Jesus Christ, for Him we see what God is like.

William Barclay, The Gospel of Matthew

Prayer Meetings –Easter to Pentecost

Prayer Meetings will be planned as below on the theme IN EARTH as in HEAVEN. From Ascension Day until Pentecost we will also have the opportunity to link with the Ecumenical Initiative "THY KINGDOM COME" (Materials, Prayer prompts and Ideas will be available.)

May 27th - Bank Holiday

May 30th - Ascension Day

"Thy Kingdom Come" begins.

June 3rd - Forgiven and Forgiving – in earth as in heaven.

June 9th - PENTECOST.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

Silver Diners

Please note that Silver Diners will not be on this week (Thursday 30th May).

MEN@HBC Upcoming Events

Sat 1 June, 8.30am- Men's

Breakfast at Wetherspoons.

Sat 22 June - Bike Ride. Meet at

Church at 9.30 am, ready to leave by 10.00 am.

Accessible for most, so it won't be too strenuous. Aiming for lunch at The Swan and back at HBC by 2pm.

Events are open to all men. For further information, or to "book in", contact Ian Burrell or Kevin Price or email mens@herefordbaptist.org.uk

Activate Retreat Day

Some of you will remember the lovely relaxed days we have spent at our retreats at Apples of Silver on Hampton Park Road.

Another day has been booked - Saturday 29 June from 10.00am to 3.30pm. Val will again lead with a "thought for the day" and we will have plenty of time to read, pray, listen to God or do some craft work in the house, the garden or down by the river (weather permitting!)

Val will provide refreshments and lunch which will suit a range of dietary needs (vegan, gluten free) -

cost to be confirmed (£15 last year).

It would be really helpful to know rough numbers asap, so please drop me an email or text if you would like to come - definite numbers to be confirmed by 23 June.

If you want any other information please speak to me.

Thanks. Dorothy Coleman

Herefordshire House of Prayer

There is a growing desire among many believers to seek God and to see His Kingdom come in our city and nation.

Join with other Christians from Herefordshire to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for our city and people to come to know Jesus Christ. May 30th - June 9th 2019.

There is a 24/7 prayer initiative to keep a continuous prayer vigil during this period.

Full details are on the Herefordshire House of Prayer Website <http://hhop.org.uk/> or see Dave Field.

Bring and Share Lunch - Sunday 2nd June

Please join us for a time of fellowship and good food. Just bring a plateful of food, and a drink to share. Looking forward to seeing you!

What's On This Week

Tuesday

9am	Tuesday Breakfast Club
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Wednesday

11.30am	Hymn Singing at Charles Court
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10.15am-12pm	Wednesday Club <i>Martin Foster 'Stonebow unit and mental health'</i>
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Thursday

7-8.30pm	Youth Band Practice
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Sunday

Midnight	Night Shift
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10.30am	Morning Service - All Age Service Bring and Share Lunch
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5.30pm	Rose Garden Church
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BMS Birthdays - May

26th	Ian Burrell
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BMS Birthdays - June

10th	Alec Salmon
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16th	David Welford
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17th	Brian Granthier
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17th	Peter Nash
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19th	Dorothy Marchant
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23rd	Allan Young
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26th	Margaret Williams
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Please submit content for the newsheet to the church office before Thursday.