

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 2nd June 2019

10.30am - All Age Service

Followed by Bring and Share Lunch

5.30pm - Rose Garden Church

For your Prayers

Paul S is at Leominster Community Hospital. Pray that he will respond to good physio there and will be content with progress and plans for his future. Ray W, Maureen's husband, is still in hospital. Pray for no further bleeding and a steady recovery.

The exams start up again. Please pray for alert minds to reflect the students' hard work and may they glorify God and be blessed in so doing.

Pray for our country to be united again with God's choice of leader in place. Pray for wisdom for all who vote. Pray for God's will and his glory to be recognised.

Today's Reading

Matthew 9:9-13 (NIV)

The Calling of Matthew

⁹As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

¹⁰While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him

and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

¹²On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. ¹³But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Thought for the Week

Ah, sirs, let me tell you, there is not such a pleasant history for you to read in all the world as the history of your own lives, if you would but sit down and record from the beginning hitherto what God has been to you, and done for you; what signal manifestations and outbursts of His mercy, faithfulness and love there have been in all the conditions you have passed through. If your hearts do not melt before you have gone half through that history, they are hard hearts indeed."

John Flavell "Divine Conduct; or the Mystery of Providence"

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 30th - Ascension Day

"Thy Kingdom Come" begins.

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

June 9th - PENTECOST-ALL ARE WELCOME

MEN@HBC Upcoming Events

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, 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.

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

BMS Birthdays - June

10th	Alec Salmon
16th	David Welford
17th	Brian Granthier
17th	Peter Nash
19th	Dorothy Marchant
23rd	Allan Young
26th	Margaret Williams

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.

Tanzania

I am hoping to do a 'Tanzanian Mean Bean Challenge' from Monday 10th - Friday 14th June. The money raised will help buy school dinners for the children in extreme poverty, who normally go without food during the school day. This time, I am also hoping to raise enough to supply reusable personal hygiene kits so that 50 girls can go to school every week of the month. If you would like to make a donation, please look out for the Tanzanian Dinners envelopes around church and return to Ruth Price personally or via the offering bags. Many Thanks. Ruth Price

What's On This Week

Monday

9.45am-11.15am	Women's Study Group at HBC
6.30pm	Prayer and fellowship - all are welcome

Tuesday

9am	Tuesday Breakfast Club
12pm-2.30pm	Private booking - Middle Hall
7.30pm	Small Group - Gaster's
7.30pm	Small Group - Bartestree

Wednesday

10am	Tot Stop
10.15am-12pm	Wednesday Club <i>Mark Bricknell - "John Venn Society"</i>
5.30pm - 9pm	Youth 5.30pm Food, 6-8pm Pulse, 7-9pm Ignite
7.30pm	Small Group - Aylestone Hill/Tupsley

Thursday

12pm	Silver Diners
7.30pm	Activate Fitness
7.30pm	Musicians Practice (Team)

Sunday

Midnight	Night Shift
10.30am	Morning Service
4pm	Reflective Communion
5.30pm	Rose Garden Church

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Please submit content for the newsheet to the church office before Thursday.