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Brooklands Church Update

Friends

"If you, Lord, kept a record of sins, Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, so that we can, with reverence, serve you."

Psalm 130:3-4

These words, along with the rest of Psalm 130, will open our worship service this week. There is so much here: a rhetorical question pointing to our shared fallenness as humanity, the certainty of God's grace and forgiveness, as well as the reminder as to what we are forgiven for! Our response to God's goodness in our lives comes to fruition in a life of worship and service. That is why we gather. That is why we are joined together as the church! Praise God!

Speaking of service, thanks to all who have offered their support for the work morning, this Saturday (9am-12noon). We need to tackle the brambles and weeds at the back of the church so please come with your gardening gloves on. There are some other small jobs that need done too including clearing out the store cupboards. It would be good to have people on hand to run some things to local charity shops and the tip. Let me know if you can make it.

And speaking of worship, one of the ways we worship as a church is through giving to the work of the local church. Thank you again for those of you who do this through covenants, direct debits and standing orders. For those of you who give cash, it remains impractical for us to pass a basket as part of our service, due to Covid, but there will be an offering basket placed at the back of the sanctuary if you wish to place an offering there. Thank you for your giving!

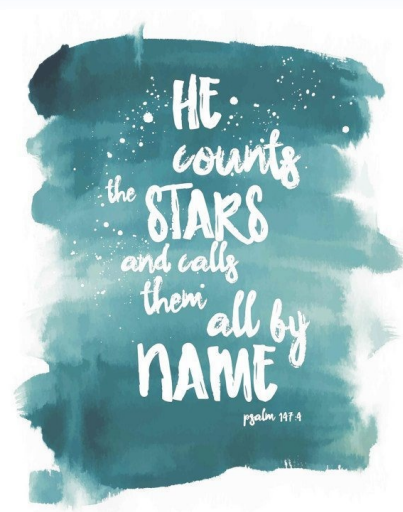
This is a final call for those of you who would like to join the church in membership. We will be taking in new members on Sunday 5th September. If you are interested and I am aware then you should have received an email from me recently. If you are interested but I'm not aware then please let me know.

August remains quiet month in the rhythm of the church with kids off, people away and some enjoying breaks and holidays. I continue to pray for you and your family in these days.

Lucy is enjoying some time off this week. We are so grateful as a church family for Lucy and we pray that she has a restful week.

Peace,

Mick



Diary Dates

- 08/08 Kids Church restarts
- 14/08 Work morning at church, 9 am-12 noon
- 15/08 Mick Kane
- 22/08 Lucy Frost
- 29/08 Carl McCann

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Daily Reading and Prayer Guide for This Week

Date	Reading	Pray for
Monday 9th August	Romans 1	Luis, Miriam and family
Tuesday 10th August	Romans 2	Heather Critchley
Wednesday 11th August	Romans 3	Elouise Critchley
Thursday 12th August	Romans 4	Colin Dunbar and family (Margaret)
Friday 13th August	Romans 5	Bill and Sue Ellis
Saturday 14th August	Catch up	Phil Evans and family
Sunday 15th August	Romans 6	Peter Evans and family

Prayer requests

- ⇒ Pray for Lucy this week as she enjoys some time off and is away with friends.
- ⇒ Pray for Annette Jones, as she receives hospital treatment. Annette hopes to join us in church soon.
- ⇒ Pray for Brenda Cawley (former regular at our Diner) and family as her granddaughter's partner, Owen is very ill with cancer
- ⇒ Pray for Herbert McGonigle who has been suffering with very painful toothache recently.
- ⇒ Pray for John Beattie who will continue with his cancer treatment following a short break.
- ⇒ Pray for Colin Dunbar who continues to be ill in hospital
- ⇒ Continue to pray for Alan Roberts, son-in-law of Val Batty, who has cancer.
- ⇒ We continue to pray for others in our congregation who need healing. Including, Jon F, Isobel, Claire.
- ⇒ Pray for the safety of our church as we adapt to the change in government restrictions.
- ⇒ Pray for the continuing work of the church in the local community.



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The Divine Exchange

Mick Kane

Ephesians 4:25 - 5:2

Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbour, for we are all members of one body. 'In your anger do not sin': do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold.

Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need.

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

This week Pastor Mick will be reflecting on Paul's words to the Ephesian Church in Ephesians 4:25 - 5:2. In this text, Paul continues his message on Unity by spelling out what a God glorifying church looks like in action. He offers them alternatives, or exchanges, to sinful behaviours - truth for falsehood; resolve for anger; generosity for those who formerly were involved in theft; encouragement for and unwholesome talk; and kindness, compassion and mercy for bitterness, rage, slander and malice - all made possible as we look to Christ as our saviour and exemplar.

We'll be diving deeper into this 'Divine Exchange' which took place at the cross, which we partake in at salvation, and which continues to work its way out in our lives and community as we live a life of worship as part of the church.





Ladies' Weekend

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11th - 13th February 2022

Kings Park Conference Centre, Northampton

We are created in the image of the great Creator God. Come and explore the creativity we have within us all.

- Creativity in worship
- Creativity in music
- Creativity through art
- Creativity in Bible study
- Creativity in prayer

Whether you have years of experience or none, all are welcome.

This is our annual ladies' weekend. The cost is £150 (includes accommodation, food, resources etc.) Ages 13 to 16 - £110 (must be accompanied by a responsible adult).

Workshop leaders so far confirmed are Sarah Gilmour, who will lead a singing workshop for all abilities, and our own Joanne Bolton, who will teach participants something from her creative repertoire.

If enough are interested, we might be able to help out with transport.

Email info@BrooklandsChurch.uk if you would like more information.

