Brooklands Church Update

3 April 2022

Dear Friends,

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." – Matthew 5:16.

As we edge closer to Easter there are a few ways in which you can serve in the church throughout this season:

Nazarene Compassionate Ministries Ukraine Response

On Easter Monday Kevin and Ruth McCann from the Ashton Church of the Nazarene are driving a van filled with needed supplies to the Poland-Ukraine border for the response team. If you would like to contribute to this see below a list of items needed – please get these items to Pastor Mick or Pastor Lucy before next Sunday (10th April). Food and medicine cannot be accepted due to custom laws but if you would like to contribute financially they will be topping up food and medicine when they arrive. Items needed are:

Nappies (all sizes), Baby wipes, Sanitary items, Bandages, First Aid items (no medicines), Antibacterial wipes.

Brooklands Community Food Pantry

In response to the cost of living crisis we have launched a food pantry to assist those in our community. This is currently operating on Wednesdays 12-2 and Thursdays 11-2 (alongside the community cafe). Due to the high demand we are in need of donations. If you are in a place to help please donate 'shelf stable' items such as tins and dried foods (pasta, rice etc.). There is also a supply of toiletry items that needs topped up. Speak to Charmaine Hamnett, Holly Dale or Pastor Lucy if you would like to contribute.

Easter Saturday Event in Wythenshawe Park

On Easter Saturday, 16th April, we are joining with other churches in Wythenshawe in organising an Easter trail in Wythenshawe park. As part of the event, families will be able to walk through the Easter story engaging with stations containing interactive activities telling different parts of the Easter story. We will be leading a station highlighting the story of the cross allowing children to nail (pin) prayers to a large cork board cross. If you would be interested in being part of this event please speak to Joanne Bolton or Pastor Mick.

Easter Sunday Morning Testimonies

As part of our membership and baptism service on Easter Sunday Morning I am hoping to include 2-3 people willing to give testimony in response to the question: 'What does Resurrection look like in your life today.' If you think you could answer this in 3-4 minutes and would be willing to share then please speak to Pastor Mick.

Peace,

Mick

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Church Calendar

This week

Date	Event
Sunday 3 April 2022	Sunday Worship, 10:30 am—Pastor Lucy
Wednesday 6 April 2022	Toddle-In, 10:00 am
Wednesday 6 April 2022	Church Zoom Prayer Meeting, 10:30 am
Wednesday 6 April 2022	Food Pantry, 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm
Wednesday 6 April 2022	FoodCycle free community meal at 5:00 pm
Thursday 7 April 2022	Community Café, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm
Thursday 7 April 2022	Bible study with Lucy at 2:00 pm
Sunday 10 April 2022	Sunday Worship, 10:30 am, with Pastor Mick

Coming up

Date	Event
Sunday 17 April 2022	Easter Praise Service, 6:00 pm, Sheffield (contact Mark for further details).
Friday 6 May 2022	NTC Graduation

Free to good home

One of our members has a washing machine, a dishwasher and a microwave oven, all in perfectly serviceable order and available free of charge, if you can arrange to collect. Contact Mark for details.



Church Prayer and Daily Reading Diary		
Monday 4 April 2022		
Bible reading:	Exodus 15	
Pray for:	Phil Evans and family	
Tuesday 5 Apr	il 2022	
Bible reading:	Exodus 16	
Pray for:	Peter Evans and family	
Wednesday 6	April 2022	
Bible reading:	Exodus 17: 1-7	
Pray for:	Jon (Drew and Stephanie, Alex and Mark) Fisher	
Thursday 7 Ap	ril 2022	
Bible reading:	Exodus 17:8-16	
Pray for:	Jamie, Maida, Jimson and Jewell Filoteo	
Friday 8 April 2022		
Bible reading:	Exodus 18	
Pray for:	Sylvia Findlay	
Saturday 9 Apı	ril 2022	
Bible reading:	Exodus 19	
Pray for:	Karina Philips and family	
Sunday 10 April 2022		
Bible reading:	Exodus 20	
Pray for:	Jean and David Hall	

Church Prayers

- We give thanks for the safe delivery of David and Chris Hoolihan's grandson in Vietnam to their son Philip and his wife, Hua. Mother and baby are doing well and the grandparents are delighted!
- Norma remains in hospital following a serious break in her leg. She is in need of much prayer.
- Herbert McGonigle is home from hospital and recovering following a fall and a bout of Covid. He is grateful for the prayers of the Church.
- Pray for Pastor Mick's family. Mick's dad, also Mick, has received a prognosis of 6 months to a year. We pray also for Mick's step-dad, Jim. Jim has lung cancer and went into a hospice this week. And we also pray for Pastor Mick. Lord, give him strength to deal with these difficult family situations.
- We pray for Philomena, who was due to have an operation this week.
- Continue to pray for Connor Duerdon, and for his sons Cole (6) and Carter (3), as they adjust to the loss of partner and mum, Charlotte. Charlotte's funeral took place this week.
- Continue to pray for John and Anne Beattie as John's palliative care for cancer continues. John has been in and out of hospice this past week and adjustments to his pain medication has him feeling more comfortable.
- Pray for others who continue to need healing and comfort in these days: Isobel Cave, Jon Fisher, Viv Best, Nathaniel Herbert and others.
- We pray for healing for Marie Vickers, family to David and Chris though marriage.
- Pray for the continued work of the Church here in the community of Brooklands, Wythenshawe as new faces continue to engage with us in a number of ways.
- Pray for the food pantry was launched in the church recently, providing food for local families affected by the cost of living crisis.
- Let us continue to pray for a cease in hostilities in Ukraine, and remember to pray those affected by the war. Pray for the safety of innocent people, and for relief workers, including those from our own denomination.

Please send your prayer requests to Mick, Lucy or Mark Bolton, so that we can include them here.

Date: Sunday 3 April 2022
Speaker: Pastor Lucy Frost
Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

16 This is what the Lord says he who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters, 17 who drew out the chariots and horses, the army and reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick: 18 'Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. 19 See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. 20 The wild animals honour me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen, 21 the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.