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KINDNESS

"Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him."

John 13:3-5

What a beautiful image this is. Jesus, the one who was present at the beginning of Creation itself, the one who sits at the right hand of the throne of God, takes on the role of a humble servant and washes the feet of his disciples. Sit in that image for a moment.

As we continue our series looking at the fruits of the Spirit we turn our attention this week to kindness. The above Scripture reminds us that in Christ we have received kindness and are called to replicate that kindness to others. A kindness that is not scared to get dirty! Wow, what a challenge!

I have a couple of things to draw to our attention this week:

This summer I would like us to find reasons to gather in fellowship groups – men's fellowship, women's fellowship, family fellowship, young adult and student fellowship, senior fellowship. If you would be willing to volunteer at pulling these gatherings together please speak to me. My hope is that some of these might continue to meet regularly beyond the summer and provide a platform for bible study and discipleship groups.

During the month of August I would love for us to have a couple of testimony Sundays. If you would be willing to share something of the goodness of God in your life – perhaps the story of your salvation – then please, also, let me know.

Blessings,

Mick



FIRE EVACUATION

There will be a fire evacuation drill one Sunday in the next few weeks.

At the end of the service, the fire alarm will sound, and **EVERYONE** will be required to leave the building from the nearest exit and congregate on the grass at the front of church.

This should take around five minutes, and refreshments will follow.

Church Diary

<i>DATE</i>	<i>EVENT</i>
Sunday 10 July 2022	Sunday Worship, 10:30 am with Rev Mick Kane
Wednesday 13 July 2022	Toddle-In, 10:00 am
Wednesday 13 July 2022	Church Zoom Prayer Meeting, 10:30 am
Wednesday 13 July 2022	FoodCycle free community meal 5:00 pm
Thursday 15 July 2022	Community Cafe and Food Pantry, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm
Thursday 16 July 2022	Bible study with Lucy, 2:00 pm at church
Sunday 17 July 2022	Sunday Worship, 10:30 am with Rev Mick Kane

Readings and Prayers

<i>DATE</i>	<i>READING</i>	<i>PRAY FOR</i>
Mon 11 July	Numbers 9:15-10:10	Nat Herbert and family
Tue 12 July	Numbers 10:11-36	Peter and Babs Hewitt
Wed 13 July	Numbers 11:1-15	Anna Holme
Thu 14 July	Numbers 11:16-35	Dave and Chris Hoolihan
Fri 15 July	Numbers 12	Pauline and Peter Howells
Sat 16 July	Numbers 13:1-24	Sebi, Claudia and Nathan Ianos
Sun 17 July	Numbers 13:25-14:12	Tim and Alison Ingram

CHURCH PRAYER LIST

- Pray for John Beattie as he spends time in the hospice for pain management and end of life care. Pray also for Anne and John's son and daughter, Rachel and Matt.
- Pray for Anna Holme who has a virus.
- We give thanks that Val's son-in-law Alan Roberts has finished chemotherapy.
- Pray for our friends at the Post office/Newsagents MB News who suffered an attempted robbery on Wednesday.
- Pray for Tom Bolton as he prepares to leave for London at the end of the summer to begin a new job teaching. Pray particularly for accommodation to be found.
- Pray for Terence Strong, for Sheila, and all the family. Terence and Sheila have tested positive for Covid.
- Pray for Lauren McGillivray as she prepares to start as our new Associate Pastor for Children, Youth and Families in August.
- Continue to pray for Norma Whyte who enters her 14th week in hospital following a complicated leg break. The doctors are considering surgery for a third time.
- Pray for Ron, the brother of Sylvia Findlay who is undergoing treatment for his kidneys. He is being considered for dialysis but Sylvia's prayer is that such healing would take place that he would not need this.
- Pray for Sue Clark, a neighbour to the church. Sue has flown to Los Angeles to be with her sister, Maria, who has entered end of life care following a battle with cancer.
- Praise God that Sammu Lai's cast has been removed and his arm is healing well.
- Pray for Revd Dr Herbert McGonigle as he recovers from a cataract operation. His other eye is to be operated on soon.
- Pray for those struggling with the Cost of Living Crisis. We pray that our Food Pantry will be a real support for those in need in our area.
- Continue to remember Stephen Lovett in your prayers.
- Pray for our local councillors - Sue Cooley, Glynn Evans and Julia Baker-Smith. Pray also for our MP, Mike Kane.
- Pray for continued healing for Isobel Cave, Jon Fisher, Viv Best, Philomena Evans.
- We continue to pray for healing for Marie Vickers, family to David and Chris Hoolihan.
- Pray for the continued work of the Church here in the community of Brooklands, as new faces continue to engage with us in a number of ways.

Please send your prayer requests to Mick, Lucy or Mark, and we will add them to the weekly prayer list.

Sunday 10 July

REV MICK KANE

FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT: KINDNESS *EPHESIANS 4:17-32*

17 So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking. 18 They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts. 19 Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, and they are full of greed.

20 That, however, is not the way of life you learned 21 when you heard about Christ and were taught in him in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus. 22 You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; 23 to be made new in the attitude of your minds; 24 and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

25 Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body.

26 "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, 27 and do not give the devil a foothold. 28 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.

29 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. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. 32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.



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