



Dear friends

*"I thank God, whom I serve, as my ancestors did, with a clear conscience, as night and day I constantly remember you in my prayers. Recalling your tears, I long to see you, so that I may be filled with joy."* - 2 Timothy 1:3-4.

As we continue to be led by lectionary texts we find ourselves continuing through the Pastoral Epistles into 2 Timothy. This letter Paul writes to Timothy begins with Thanksgiving.

Beginning with thanksgiving is a practice we as Christians will do well to model in every aspect of our lives. What do you have to be thankful for today? I find that the more I practice this the more I find to be thankful for! Our time of worship culminates today around the table of Communion, or, as the early Church called it, the Eucharist, which literally means thanksgiving.

I am thankful for many things in the life of our church. We give thanks for Pastor Lucy who, as announced last week, begins a new role serving the Church of the Nazarene in Salford. Her commissioning service is this Saturday at 4pm at 'Salford Naz.' It would be wonderful if as many of us as possible could be there to support her.

I'm also thankful for the family spirit we have in our church. As such, we are gathering on Saturday morning for a work morning to spruce up the church

and gardens. Again, if you are able to be there that would be wonderful - we will provide tea/coffee and some breakfast for all who can attend!

I'm grateful for the gift of prayer and the way in which we as a church endeavour to put prayer at the heart of all we do. We gather weekly on Zoom on a Wednesday morning at 10.30 to pray for the many differing needs of our church community. We also hold monthly prayer breakfasts and the next of these is on Saturday 15th October. Please speak to Jon Fisher if you would like to take part in this.

I'm grateful for the wider Church that we are part of, The Church of the Nazarene. The national magazine, 'Together,' is available online if you want to know more about all the ways the churches in the UK are serving in their local contexts. Click the link on the right. There is a limited number of printed copies in the foyer for those who prefer a hard copy.

Above all, I'm grateful for you and the privilege it is to be your pastor. You'll see in this week's Update we've posted our recent church photo. I can't help but smile as I look at each and everyone of you and the gift you are to Brooklands Church of the Nazarene. "I thank God as I constantly remember you in my prayers."

Grace and Peace to you all,

Mick



The Lost Key



If you are the owner of this key, Tim Geddes on the sound desk has it in safe keeping.

# DAILY READINGS AND PRAYERS

DATE	READING	PRAY FOR
MON 3 OCTOBER 2022	DEUT 31:14–29	PAULINE AND PETER HOWELLS
TUE 4 OCTOBER 2022	DEUT 31:30–32:24	SEBASTIAN, CLAUDIA AND NATHAN IANOS
WED 5 OCTOBER 2022	DEUT 32:25–52	TIM AND ALISON INGRAM
THU 6 OCTOBER 2022	DEUT 33	ANNETTE AND MIKE JONES AND FAMILY
FRI 7 OCTOBER 2022	DEUT 34	RAMIL, IRENE AND MELANIE KULEEV
SAT 8 OCTOBER 2022	REV 1:1–8	HERBERT MCGONIGLE
SUN 9 OCTOBER 2022	REV 1:9–20	SIGRID NWATOR

## CHURCH DIARY

### THIS WEEK

DATE/TIME	EVENT
SUN 2ND OCT 2022 10:30AM	SUNDAY WORSHIP, MICK KANE
WED 5TH OCT 2022 10:00AM	TODDLE-IN
WED 5TH OCT 2022 10:30AM	PRAYER MEETING ON ZOOM
WED 5TH OCT 2022 05:00PM	FOODCYCLE FREE COMMUNITY MEAL
THU 6TH OCT 2022 11:00AM	COMMUNITY CAFÉ
THU 6TH OCT 2022 07:30PM	MANCHESTER GOSPEL CHOIR REHEARSAL
SAT 8TH OCT 2022 09:00AM	WORK MORNING AT CHURCH
SAT 8TH OCT 2022 04:00PM	COMMISSIONING SERVICE, SALFORD NAZ
SUN 9TH OCT 2022 10:30AM	SUNDAY WORSHIP, MICK KANE

### LOOKING AHEAD

SAT 15TH OCT, 9:00AM	PRAYER BREAKFAST AT CHURCH (SEE JON)
FEBRUARY 2022	LADIES RETREAT. INFO TO FOLLOW

# PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for Debbie following the loss of her uncle, Peter. Debbie attended the funeral in Cornwall this week and carried Peter's coffin.
- Pray for Anne Beattie who continues to feel the loss of John.
- We continue to pray for church neighbour, Sue Clark, following the death of her sister and brother in recent weeks.
- Continue to pray for Barbara Edwards, in Munster, Germany. Barbara is recovering from a recent stroke. She is the sister of Jean Walker.
- Pray for Gilbert and Amie and the children, and especially for Amie, as she receives medical attention.
- Pray for Norma. We give thanks for a successful operation and pray her strength and mobility will continue to improve.
- Pray for Sharon and Chris Flynn's daughter Amie who has been in hospital recently that she will grow in strength and health.
- Jon Fisher has been suffering from excessive tiredness recently. The doctors are monitoring his blood levels. Keep him in your prayers.
- Continue to pray for Tom Bolton, who has now moved to London and has started his new job as a maths teacher.
- Pray for Lauren McGillivray, in her new role as our new Associate Pastor for Children, Youth and Families.
- Pray for Sue Cooley, whose knee operation went ahead this week.
- 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.
- Give thanks for answered prayer, as Herbert McGonigle, and Ron and Jenny Hearn were able to join us in church again recently.
- 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. Pray for Charmaine and others who help to run this ministry.
- 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 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 contact Mick, Lucy, Lauren or Mark if you have any specific prayer requests, or answers to prayer for us to share.



# THIS WEEK'S SERMON

## 2 TIMOTHY 1:3-14

MICK KANE

3 I thank God, whom I serve, as my ancestors did, with a clear conscience, as night and day I constantly remember you in my prayers. 4 Recalling your tears, I long to see you, so that I may be filled with joy. 5 I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also.

6 For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. 7 For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline. 8 So do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner. Rather, join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God. 9 He has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, 10 but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. 11 And of this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher. 12 That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet this is no cause for shame, because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until that day.

13 What you heard from me, keep as the pattern of sound teaching, with faith and love in Christ Jesus. 14 Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you—guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

This Sunday our worship band will lead us with Shine Jesus Shine, I will Boast in Christ Alone, and Yet not I. Pastor Mick will be leading a fully interactive kids worship song, and Cameron will lead us in a closing hymn. We hope you will be able to join us in church or online.