

9 October 2022

BROOKLANDS CHURCH

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Dear friends

"Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations." – Psalm 100.

In light of our sermon last week and its call to ensure the practice of thanksgiving remains a foundation of who we are as Christians, we will be using Psalm 100 for our call to worship in the weeks leading up to Advent. My prayer is that this becomes our prayer as a church and we do indeed 'enter his gates' as we bring our praise to him each Sunday.

Thanks to everyone who came to help out at the church work morning yesterday. I'm sure you could see the difference we made as we all chipped in together. A lovely time of fellowship was had by all too.

A reminder that next Saturday we have a prayer breakfast in the morning and Lucy's commissioning service at Salford Nazarene in the afternoon. Please speak to Jon Fisher about the prayer breakfast and Lucy about the commissioning service.

Next Sunday as part of our worship we will be including a Harvest thanksgiving offering and supporting both the local food pantry we operate here out of the church on Thursdays, as well as Wythenshawe Foodbank, who we have supported in recent years. Please see below for a list of items that have been requested by both groups: Tinned tomatoes, Tinned Veg, Tinned fruit, Tinned soups, Cup-a-soups, Pasta, Rice, Cooking sauces, Juice/Cordial, Instant Mash Potato, Porridge, Long Life Milk, Sugar, Instant Coffee, Biscuits, Custards/Jelly, Deodorant (male and female), Toothpaste, Pet Food.

Peace,

Mick

PRAYER FOCUS



We continue to pray for the war between Ukraine and Russia. A contact of the church involved in Christian work in Eastern Russia contacted one of our members this week to report on how the war is affecting them:

"Our clinic is located in Buryat Republic from where thousands of young and middle-aged men are already drafted. Churches there are fasting and praying for peace. Our doctors are worried to death as they have sons in 20s and 30s."

DAILY READINGS AND PRAYERS

Date	Reading	Pray for
Mon 10 October 2022	Rev 2:1–7	Myra O’Hara and Family
Tue 11 October 2022	Rev 2:8–17	Michael Okechukwa
Wed 12 October 2022	Rev 2:18–29	Vera and John Packard
Thu 13 October 2022	Rev 3:1–6	Karina Phillips and Kiyarah
Fri 14 October 2022	Rev 3:7–13	Sandra and Mike Pitt and Family
Sat 15 October 2022	Rev 3:14–22	Fay Powell
Sun 16 October 2022	Rev 4	Cameron Preece

CHURCH DIARY

This Week

Sun 9 Oct 2022 10:30am	Sunday Worship, Mick Kane
Wed 12 Oct 2022 10:00am	Toddle-In
Wed 12 Oct 2022 10:30am	Prayer meeting on Zoom
Wed 12 Oct 2022 05:00pm	FoodCycle free community meal
Thu 13 Oct 2022 11:00am	Winter Warmer (Community Café)
Thu 13 Oct 2022 07:30pm	Manchester Gospel Choir rehearsal
Sat 15 Oct 2022 09:00am	Prayer Breakfast at church
Sat 15 Oct 2022 04:00pm	Commissioning Service, Salford Naz
Sun 16 Oct 2022 10:30am	Sunday Worship including Harvest Thanksgiving

Looking Ahead

February 2023	Ladies retreat. Info to follow
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PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for Joanne Bolton whose aunt Dorothy died this week. Pray for Joanne's mum, Irene Rowley, also – Dorothy was Irene's sister.
- Pray for Pastor Lucy who commenced her new role at Salford Nazarene this week.
- Pray for Ann 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. She is being assessed this week for the possible transfer to a care home.
- 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 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 Gert, 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.

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 2: 8-15

Mick Kane

8 Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, 9 for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. 10 Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

11 Here is a trustworthy saying:

If we died with him,
we will also live with him;

12 if we endure,
we will also reign with him.

If we disown him,
he will also disown us;

13 if we are faithless,
he remains faithful,
for he cannot disown himself.

14 Keep reminding God's people of these things. Warn them before God against quarreling about words; it is of no value, and only ruins those who listen. 15 Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.