

# 16 OCTOBER 2022

## BROOKLANDS CHURCH

### EDITION #40/22



#### Dear friends

*"Father, as we celebrate this season of thanksgiving, we give thanks for the blessings of food, provision and nourishment.*

*Please grow in us a harvest for the World. Come sow a seed of hope within our souls Lord, that we might yield goodness, patience and kindness in abundance. Sow a seed of peace in our lives Lord, that we might bear the fruits of forgiveness, compassion and righteousness. Come sow a seed of love in our hearts Lord, that others would reap the blessings of family, friendship and community.*

*May each seed of hope, peace and love grow within us into a harvest that can be feasted on by all.*

*Amen"*

Today we celebrate God's goodness to us in an act of thankfulness and giving this Harvest Sunday. We will take time to pray the prayer above as well as pray for the ways we continue to serve those in our community who may find themselves in a time of need. If you didn't come prepared to contribute to the Harvest offering of food provision, but would like to, then please see last week's newsletter for a list of items needed by both Brooklands Food Pantry and Wythenshawe Foodbank and speak to Pastor Mick who will let you know how you can get it to him.

On Saturday 5th of November NTC will celebrate their graduation ceremony at the Whitworth Hall at the University of Manchester from 11am-1pm (followed by a reception back at the College). Three of our congregation will graduate this year - Pastor Lauren McGillivray, Tim Geddes and Cameron Preece. Please feel free to come along and support them. We are so proud of each of them.

It's that time of year when we begin to think about Advent and Christmas and so we have planned a full and exciting programme this year. You can see it here in this newsletter but more information about the individual events will follow in the coming weeks.

Peace,

Mick

#### NTC GRADUATION



#### HELP NEEDED!!


















We need volunteers to help with the stewarding at the graduation ceremony.

If you are free on Saturday 5 November, from 10 am until about 1 pm, please let Mark know.

## THIS WEEK AT BROOKLANDS

Sun 16th Oct 2022 10:30am	Sunday Worship, Lucy Frost
Wed 19th Oct 2022 10:00am	Toddle-In
Wed 19th Oct 2022 10:30am	Prayer meeting on Zoom
Wed 19th Oct 2022 05:00pm	FoodCycle free community meal
Thu 20th Oct 2022 11:00am	Winter Warmer (Community Café)
Thu 20th Oct 2022 07:30pm	Manchester Gospel Choir rehearsal
Sun 23rd Oct 2022 10:30am	Sunday Worship, Mick Kane

## CHRISTMAS AT BROOKLANDS

Sat 26 Nov 2022 11am-5.30pm	Brooklands Community Christmas Market	 
Sun 27th Nov 2022 10:30am	Morning Service: Advent 1	 
Sun 4th Dec 2022 10:30am	Morning Service: Advent 2	 
Sun 4th Dec 2022 02:00pm	Carols in the Park @ Wythenshawe Park Rose Garden	 
Sun 11th Dec 2022 10:30am	Morning Service: Advent 3	 
Sun 11th Dec 2022 11:30am	Church Family Christmas Party with Food and Games	 
Sun 18th Dec 2022 10:30am	Morning Service: Kids Church Nativity Production	 
Sun 18th Dec 2022 06:00pm	Evening Carol Service / Advent 4	 
Sun 25th Dec 2022 10:30am	Christmas Day Family Gathering	 
Sun 1st Jan 2023 10:30am	Morning Service	 

## OTHER EVENTS COMING UP

Sat 19th Nov 2022 09:30am	Prayer breakfast
Sat 10th Dec 2022 09:30am	Prayer breakfast
February 2023	Ladies retreat. Info to follow

# PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for our Harvest offering this morning and that the food would be put to good use to help those in need accessing support through our local church pantry as well as Wythenshawe Foodbank.
- Pray for Pastor Lucy who was commissioned into her new role at Salford Nazarene yesterday. Pray also for the work in Salford.
- Pray for Counsellor Sur Cooley who is still hoping to have knee replacement surgery 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.
- 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.
- We continue to pray for a solution in Ukraine, and for protection for Christians and others who are being conscripted to join the armed forces.
- 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.



# DAILY READINGS AND PRAYERS

Date	Reading	Pray for
Mon 17 Oct 2022	Rev 5:1–6	Matthew and Charlotte Purves, and Joshua
Tue 18 Oct 2022	Rev 5:7–14	Adrianna and Phillip Richmond, and Rebecca, David, Joseph and Pete
Wed 19 Oct 2022	Rev 6:1–7	Pray for Mark and Rebecca Rotheram, and Charlie and Laney
Thu 20 Oct 2022	Rev 6:8–17	Katie and Scott Cameron
Fri 21 Oct 2022	Rev 7:1–8	Nick and Ada Savu, and Joshua
Sat 22 Oct 2022	Rev 7:9–17	Gert Schwartz and family
Sun 23 Oct 2022	Rev 8	Karl and Ingrid Stanfield

## THIS WEEK'S SERMON

**John 7:37-52**

**Lucy Frost**

37 On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. 38 Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them." 39 By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

40 On hearing his words, some of the people said, "Surely this man is the Prophet."

41 Others said, "He is the Messiah." Still others asked, "How can the Messiah come from Galilee? 42 Does not Scripture say that the Messiah will come from David's descendants and from Bethlehem, the town where David lived?" 43 Thus the people were divided because of Jesus. 44 Some wanted to seize him, but no one laid a hand on him.

45 Finally the temple guards went back to the chief priests and the Pharisees, who asked them, "Why didn't you bring him in?"

46 "No one ever spoke the way this man does," the guards replied.

47 "You mean he has deceived you also?" the Pharisees retorted. 48 "Have any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed in him? 49 No! But this mob that knows nothing of the law—there is a curse on them."

50 Nicodemus, who had gone to Jesus earlier and who was one of their own number, asked, 51 "Does our law condemn a man without first hearing him to find out what he has been doing?"

52 They replied, "Are you from Galilee, too? Look into it, and you will find that a prophet does not come out of Galilee."