



The Baptist Church,
Brierfield

March 2024



We meet in a warm, friendly atmosphere to praise and worship the Lord Jesus Christ.

Please do join us.

Sunday Services

We are in Chapel each Sunday and ask that you join us to worship our Lord Jesus Christ together and to share in the fellowship of the Church family.

The services start at 10:30 am and are also streamed live on YouTube - check our website for the service link.

<https://www.brierfieldbaptistchurch.org.uk>

Midweek Activities as announced.

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Do you have something you would like to be included in next months newsletter? Please hand anything you would like adding to Richard l'Anson, or by email to newsletter@brierfieldbaptistchurch.org.uk



Jesus Saves

(a short message by Nigel Leeming)

On 13 January 1982, Air Florida Flight 90 taking off from Washington, DC, crashed into the Potomac River. It was winter and the river was full of ice. The crash happened near a bridge going over the river. The TV cameras could see everything. Millions of viewers, sitting in their living rooms, watched as a helicopter overhead let down a life-belt on a line to a man struggling in the water. He grabbed the line, swam to another survivor just by him, clipped the woman in and they hoisted her up to safety. The helicopter let down the line again, and again the man did the same thing. He swam to someone else and rescued them. He saved others, before finally, exhausted, he himself drowned.

Why did this man not save himself? The answer is that he was out to save others. In an even more amazing way, Jesus did not save himself because he was out to save you and me.

That in a nutshell is what the Easter events, at the end of the month, are all about. Let's focus our thoughts on Jesus, the Saviour of the world, and meditate on how he saved you and me.

⁹ This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. ¹⁰ This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹ Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹² No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

1 John 4 9-11

Nigel

Items of Interest & Dates for your Diary

Bible Studies/Prayer Meetings

Please pray for these and attend if at all possible, starting at 7:30 pm.

March	12 th & 26 th
April	9 th & 23 rd

Fellowship Group: Meet on Wednesday 13th March at 7.30 p.m. for Chanel Island Cricket, followed by a light supper for a small fee. All Adults are welcome to join us.

Evening Services: The March Evening Service will be on the 31st, Easter Sunday In Chapel, Led By Janice and then 28th April, Leader to be confirmed, both start at 6pm.

Family Praise Services: Our Family Praise Services followed by Pie & Peas are on the last Sunday of each month with the next being the 28th April, however there will be an Easter Family Praise Service on 31st March, Easter Sunday, preceded by Communion at 8:45 in Chapel followed by breakfast at 9:15, please come and join us.

Church Meeting: A reminder the next Church meeting will be held on the 5th March 2024 starting at 7:30 p.m. All Church members are encouraged to attend.

Care Home Visit: At the recent Brierfield Churches meeting it was agreed that we would visit, Brierfield House on Sunday 24th March at 2:30.p.m. We need music and volunteers to visit the Care Home, if you can help support this please see David or Nigel.

Music Group Rehearsals: Music group rehearsals take place each Friday at 6:45p.m. with an extra rehearsal for the Praise Service on Wednesday before the service. If you can play an Instrument or Sing and would like to join the group then speak to Melanie, Morgan or Keith for more details.

Family Praise Service Leaflet Distribution: The Worship Praise Team are looking for support to help distribute leaflets promoting the Family Praise Service on the Last Sunday of Each Month. These are the planned dates for the next few months, April 27th, May 25th, June 29th, July 27th. Meeting at Church for 13:30 each month.

Elders and Deacons: We are looking for another Elder and 2 Deacons. If you think there is a Church Member that would fit either of these roles please speak with David or Nigel. Election of Deacons will take place at the AGM in May, a nomination form will be posted about a month prior to the meeting.

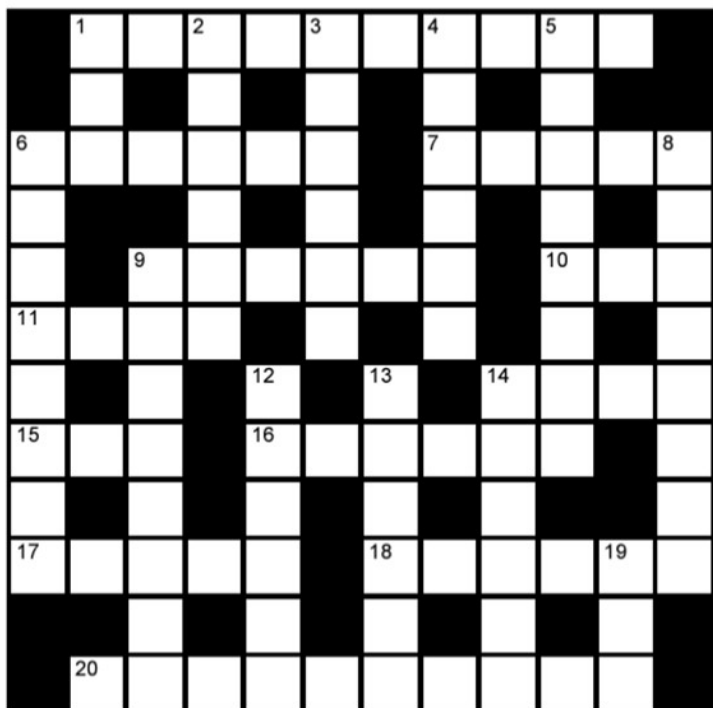
Puzzles

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Hint : Column E

What the wayward Israelites confessed doing to the lord: _____
 Him (Judges 10:10)



Across

- 1 Remorse (10)
- 6 Consecrate (6)
- 7 Break a Commandment (5)
- 9 Make a hole (6)
- 10 Pot (3)
- 11 What Ai became (4)
- 14 This initially watered the earth (4)
- 15 Samuel's mentor (3)
- 16 Small river (6)
- 17 Mount that Moses climbed (5)
- 18 Prophet in David's time (6)
- 20 Biblical garden (10)

Down

- 1 Take flight (3)
- 2 One of the twelve (6)
- 3 All living things (6)
- 4 Response (6)
- 5 Guardians of Eden (8)
- 6 The father of Levi (8)
- 8 Grow (8)
- 9 Forbearance (8)
- 12 Second longest book (6)
- 13 Statue metal (6)
- 14 Sister of Lazarus and Mary (6)
- 19 Wood splitter (3)



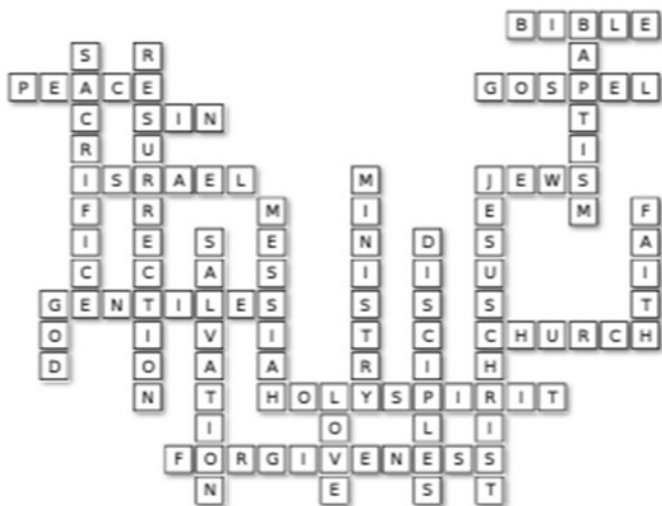
Last Months ANSWERS

JESUS said " I am THE TRUE VINE

John Ch 15 V 1

The Bible Solution

Solution to the Word Fit Puzzle



Prayer Matters

During the Sunday service on February 11th the preacher, Miles, invited us to pray for someone in need. So many names were either called out or spoken silently in our hearts and laid before God. It was very moving and also showed us how many family members, friends and acquaintances were in need of help. Please continue to pray for these souls and all those around us so that we may also witness to the Good News surrounding our prayers.

As we approach a season of new ideas and work within the church we can encourage each other. Let us pray that all is done according to God's action plan.

Romans 12 verse 10

“Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honour one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. “

Amen



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Please leave a message if there is no immediate answer



Maintenance Team

We meet most Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. for a couple of hours to carry out maintenance on the Church building, with a variety of tasks. If you or someone you know, has any DIY skills, or simply can pick up a paint brush, then please come along and gives a hand. For more information speak to Grahame or David.





Easter

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Easter 2024 Services

28th March 19:30 Maundy Thursday Communion
Led by Nigel Leeming

29th March 10:30 Good Friday Service
Led by David & Nigel Leeming

31st March 08:45 Easter Sunday Communion Service
09:15 Easter Breakfast – *All Welcome*
10:30 Easter Family Praise Service
Led by Ashley
18:00 Easter Sunday Evening Service
Led by Janice Greenwood



WORLDNEWS

REFLECTIONS ON COP28

Back in December, we asked you to pray for COP28, the United Nation's annual conference on climate change.

Please keep standing with others around the world and keep praying for communities impacted the most by environmental degradation and the effects of climate change.

Pray for young people around the world to have hope in God for their futures and to become leaders in their communities who will pave the way in restoring the damage done to God's creation.

Pray for the women in Uganda and around the world who are dependent on firewood and wells for the daily needs of their families, especially as these resources become more difficult to access due to deforestation and climate change. We pray for peace and collaboration in their communities.

Pray for those at risk of domestic violence, exacerbated by the pressures of climate change and poverty. Pray that God's justice will flow, and that in the face of climate breakdown, people will still be treated with respect and dignity.

Women in the world, irrespective of geographical and territorial boundaries, social status, or age, have been affected in many ways by environmental crises.



Join with us, and the people on the frontline of creation stewardship, in prayer.

Please pray that God may provide comfort, refuge, and guidance to overcome the difficulties women are facing knowingly or unknowingly, through careful stewarding of creation and adaptation and mitigation responses and strategies.

We thank God that improving the environmental sustainability at Guinebor II Hospital, Chad also means that pregnant women and their babies can benefit from improved treatment conditions.



Discover more about how climate change and global warming are affecting communities around the world.

2024		Preacher	Door Steward	Service Leader
3rd March	10.30 a.m.	Cathy Browne	D. Driver	M. Lewis
	Vestry Prayers:	Donald/Janice	Communion: End Of Service	David Leeming
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		
10th March	10.30 a.m.	Elizabeth Wilkes	J. Greenwood	E. Lord
	Vestry Prayers:	Nigel/Mark	Communion: Start Of Service	Mark Wilkes
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		
17th March	10.30 a.m.	Bea Foster	A. Higgin	M. Wilkes
	Vestry Prayers:	David/Janice	Communion: End Of Service	Nigel Leeming
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		
24th March Palm Sunday	10.30 a.m.	Martin Ashby-Smith	G. Leeming	E. Wilkes
	Vestry Prayers:	Donald/Mark	Communion: End Of Service	Janice Greenwood
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		
31st March Easter Sunday	10.30 a.m.	Easter Family Praise Led By Ashley	M. Wilkes	Easter Family Praise Service
	Vestry Prayers:	Nigel/Peter	Communion: Before Breakfast	Grahame Baldwin
	6.00 p.m.	EASTER EVENING SERVICE – Janice Greenwood		
7 th April	10.30 a.m.	Colin Scholes	C. I'Anson	M. Paterson
	Vestry Prayers:	David/Peter	Communion: End Of Service	Peter Lewis
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		
14 th April	10.30 a.m.	Gerald Norcross	A. Kellow	C. I'Anson
	Vestry Prayers:	Nigel/Mark	Communion: Start Of Service	David Leeming
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		
21st April	10.30 a.m.	Geoff Jackson	B. Baldwin	D. Driver
	Vestry Prayers:	David/Janice	Communion: End Of Service	Mark Wilkes
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		
28th April	10.30 a.m.	Family Praise Led By Susan Western	D. Driver	Family Praise Service
	Vestry Prayers:	Nigel/Peter	Communion: Evening Service	Nigel Leeming
	6.00 p.m.	EVENING SERVICE – TBC		

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