



Trinity Baptist Church

News Sheet

Sunday 30th May 2021

Welcome to Trinity!

From 10am Zoom meeting led by David Linley; details in Kerry's email to you.

10.30 am Morning Service. Led by Andy Banks. Reading: Mark 7: 1 - 30

'Jesus' Priorities: Not Who You Are, But What's In Your Heart.'

 **YouTube** Click here to watch the service streamed live: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8vTabe_7Y0_2Ka7BtCdRUQ



Pastor's Message

"God has put the body together, giving greater honour to the parts that lacked it, so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honoured, every part rejoices with it." 1 Corinthians 12:24b-26.

I'm very conscious that there are many within our fellowship (adults and children) who are struggling at present, whether through grief, or significant sickness in the family (mental or physical), or fear, or isolation, or other issues. The danger, in such circumstances, is that the burden of care can fall heavy on fewer and fewer people, especially if some of those who most readily support others are themselves the ones who are struggling.

I have been so encouraged through this last year by the way in which people have stepped up to care for one another through phone calls, walks, letters, buying shopping, prayers, etc. It is a significant feature of the fact that God has formed us into one body that we should suffer with those who suffer as well as rejoicing with those who rejoice. In this period, where so many among us are processing difficult news and circumstances, we may need to redouble our efforts to all be involved in pastoral care of one another. For those who are already doing a lot, I simply want to say, "Thank you." It is really appreciated, and I pray that you will be given the strength to persevere. For those who are struggling yourselves under the weight of difficulties you are facing, I want to say, please don't suffer alone, please reach out to someone for support.

But I also want to nudge anyone whose life is relatively settled at present, but who is not actively engaged in supporting others within the fellowship. Who do you know who would value a call, or a coffee together in the park, or the offer to pray for them, or a chat after the Sunday service? As Paul wrote to the Galatians, "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers" (Galatians 6:9-10).

May you all know the strengthening and blessing of God upon you.

Andy.

Tom Brady's Funeral

Tom Brady's funeral will be on Friday 11th June. There will be a close-family-only service at Eltham Crematorium at 10am, which will be followed by a service of thanksgiving by invitation only at Trinity (time to be confirmed).

For Your Prayers

- Praise God for the sense of unity and future purpose in last week's church members' meeting.
- Praise God that hospital admissions for Covid remain very low.
- Pray for those recovering from recent surgery.
- Pray for Judy, Jon French's Mum who has been told she has secondary cancer following treatment for cancer in her thyroid.
- Pray for those who are housebound or increasingly frail.

Book your tickets to in-person services here:

<https://www.trinitybexleyheath.org.uk/diary/>

Trinity Diary

Wednesday 2nd June	8 pm	Men's Zoom
	Meeting ID: 956 4934 3610	
Friday 4th June	10.30 am	Foodbank
Sunday 6th June	10.30 am	Morning Service
Sunday 13th June	10.30 am	All-age Service

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