

More than just church

Stockport Baptist Church is a friendly group of people of all ages, who meet together regularly to worship God and serve Him in the local community. Our vision statement is 'To be more than just church'. We believe God has called us to be a blessing to our local community and we feel excited about being involved in helping to shape and change the lives of the people who live in the community by introducing them to Jesus.

Our normal service is held on Sunday morning at 10.30 am and consists of a mixture of lively, modern worship songs plus some more traditional hymns. We use the overhead DVD projector and sing along to the music. The services are livestreamed and can be accessed via the church YouTube site.

The services programme for January is as follows :

	Theme	Type of Service
Jan 2	Epiphany – Matthew 2: 1-2	Covenant Service lead by Steve
9/1	Mark 10.46-52 – Blind Faith (Bartimaeus)	Guest Speaker Gary SDM lead by Peter
16/1	Mark 12.13-17 – Render unto Caesar	Guest Speaker Steve Rowley lead by Chris & Margaret
23/1	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - 'We Saw His Star in the East'.	All Age lead by Terry
30/1	Mark 12.38-44 – Giving Your All <u>....</u> (Living & Giving Generously)	Gift Service lead by Steve Visit from Daniel Eduardo re Festival Manchester

Fellowship News

KITCHEN

The kitchen refurbishment is finished and the kitchen is back in action although it has not been decorated yet. Most of the cost of the refurbishment has been met by some grants that we have been given but there is a shortfall so we are planning to have a **'Thanksgiving Gift Service'** on **January 30th 2022** when we will give thanks for the new kitchen and hope to cover the shortfall from the church membership.

PRAYER ROOM

The Deacons have agreed to wait until after the Thanksgiving Gift service at the end of January before we create the new Prayer room by partitioning off the back lounge.

HOTEL BRITANNIA

Most of the families that we engaged with in the Hotel have been moved to other accommodation so we are not sure yet whether there will be any new families arriving who will need our support but a huge thank you to all those who volunteered their time.

CHURCH MEETING

There will be a church meeting after the Sunday morning service on Sunday 13th February – please grab a cup of tea/coffee and stay behind to take part in the meeting as we discuss future plans and make decisions that will affect the church.

MEMORY VERSE for 2022

Forget the former things;
do not dwell on the past.
See, I am doing a new thing!
Now it springs up; Do you not perceive it?
I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.

Isaiah 43:18-19