

Our Sunday services are usually streamed live on the internet and video recorded. For GDPR purposes, it is presumed that people attending are happy to appear in it. If you would prefer not to, please feel free to sit near the back centre or back left as facing the front of the church which does not appear on film.

Sunday 9th June 2024

“Therefore, faithful Christian, seek the truth, listen to the truth, learn the truth, love the truth, tell the truth, defend the truth even to death.” Jan Hus

Welcome to this week’s e-news!

In view of the announcement of a General Election, we have changed the tough topic date to look at that theme this Tuesday evening. We are also hosting a local hustings to hear from our candidates today - Sunday 9th June 3pm.

10:30am Morning Worship led by Jonathan (all-age service). (Morgan is in cardiff and David at Pandy.

‘Truth sets you free’ John 8:31 - 32

[Click here for Morning Service](#)

3:00pm General Election Hustings with Monmouthshire candidates at MBC

6:00pm Links Youth Club

**6:30pm Evening Worship led by Jonathan.
Malachi 2:10 – 16 ‘The power of faithfulness’**

[Click here for Evening Service](#)

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 10th June

7:30 – 9:00pm Art Fringe

7:00pm *NO*** online Romans' course this week.** Session 2 will take place next Monday on zoom.

TUESDAY 11th June

9:45 – 11:30am Ladies' Bible Study

10:30am – Tuesday Coffee – at The Malthouse.

3:00pm - Men's Coffee – at COFFI LAB

7:30pm – Midweek Fellowship in the Centenary Room

'How should Christians vote?'

WEDNESDAY 12th June

9:30 – 11:30am Footprints

5:00pm Brigade for girls

THURSDAY 13th June

1:00pm Romans' Course (in person in the Centenary Room) session 2 "Sin"

FRIDAY 14th June

7:30am Men's Bible Breakfast

8:00 am for the study

9:30 – 11:00am Ladies' Bible Study

SATURDAY 15th June

3:00pm Serving Our Streets (meet at Wyesham Christian Fellowship and serving drinks at four different locations in Monmouth – volunteers welcome).

3:00pm Coach leaves for Graham Franklin Tour (see notice below)

SUNDAY 16th June

10:30am Morning Worship led by Rev. Bert Weenink

John 8: 33 – 47 (Father's Day)

6:30pm Evening Worship led by Bert. Life and Times of Nehemiah.

Nehemiah. The service is followed by the Lord's Supper

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

MBC KITCHEN NOTICE

Level 2 Food Hygiene and Allergen Training.

If you are currently using the MBC Kitchen regularly to prepare, cook, reheat, or serve food, we would like to ask if you could complete the Level 2 Food Certificate and Food Allergen Training.

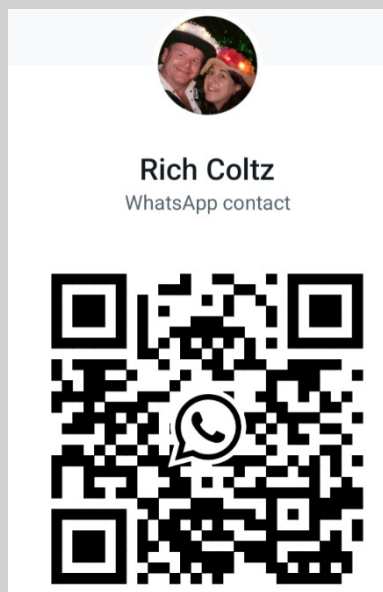
As part of MBC's obligation for the Food Standards compliance, we need to ensure that all regular users of the kitchen that prepare, cook, or reheat food in the kitchen are properly trained and we would like to have coverage for the activities that regularly take place in the church – breakfasts, children's clubs, thanksgiving/funeral services etc. Both training courses are online and can be completed in sections and at the desired pace of the trainee.

The Level 2 Food Hygiene course is provided by the Nationwide Caterers Association and the Allergen Training by the UK Food Standard Agency.

Kitchen Inductions

To further support our compliance to food safety and build awareness of the equipment, processes, and documentation within the MBC kitchen, if you are a regular user of the kitchen or wish to hold an event that requires the serving and preparation of food, please request a kitchen induction session from Rich Coltart. The session lasts no longer than 30 mins and will take you through the equipment, processes, and documentation requirements for using the kitchen in compliance with Food Standards and Hygiene regulations.

Please contact Rich Coltart on rich.coltart@polzeathbay.com or scan this QR code to connect on WhatsApp to request training or a kitchen induction.



HELP NEEDED WITH PA

Additional volunteers are needed, especially in the mornings, to run the PA desk. Please contact Simon if you can help with this: simonbeber@hotmail.co.uk

MESSAGE TO LEADERS OF CHURCH ACTIVITIES

To all people in charge of the various wonderful ministries for adults as well as children at MBC: please can you let Jo Walker know if anyone new has joined your team, so that we can ensure they have an up-to-date DBS and are offered appropriate Safeguarding training. Thank you.

GOD LOVES YOU TOUR – Concert and Message

Saturday 15th June 6pm in Birmingham (Leaving Monmouth early afternoon). Franklin Graham tour supported by Michael W Smith (3-time Grammy winner) and Taya (ex-Hillsong). We're hoping to take a group from MBC (but people from other churches most welcome!) The event is free, and if we can get a coach then the coach would be free. Bring a friend, especially if they are seeking. There's a sign-up sheet at the back of the church, or contact James or Amanda Endicott

CEEBRATION IN THE BARN 29th-30th June, Newent

Celebration in the Barn happening on Saturday 29th June and Sunday 30th June with guest speaker Chris Sinkinson from Lansdowne Baptist, Bournemouth.

Click here for more information

<https://forestcommunitychurch.churchsuite.com/events/jftrkfot>

GENERAL ELECTION HELP

There's an excellent resource to help pray and prepare for the election here:

<https://www.engage24.org.uk/>

GENERAL ELECTION LOCAL HUSTINGS – Sunday 9th June

Sunday 9th June at 3pm we are hosting a Monmouth hustings. If you can volunteer to help steward this event, please let Jonathan know.

If you'd like to ask or "like" a question please go here: www.slido.com and enter number 3321550

THE ROMANS COURSE

Get to know Jesus better through this amazing book of the Bible. A Video based 10-week course with discussion: in person on Thursday afternoons, and online on Monday evenings.

Mondays (10th **is session 2**) 7:30pm on Zoom (Fellowship Link at the end of the e-news) and the same session

Thursdays 1pm in person in the Centenary Room

Please download your participant Guide here: [participan't Guide](#)

TOUGH TOPICS –

Please note the change of dates and topics...

Tuesdays 7:30pm in the Centenary Room

11th June How Should Christians vote?

25th June What happens when we die?

(9th July Church Members Meeting)
23rd July Are there rewards in heaven?
30th July God's love for SSM Couples

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please let us know if you would like the fellowship to pray for you.

Please pray for God to have mercy upon our nation as we prepare for the general election. For our candidates, and for God to guide the outcome of the election. Use resources here to pray... <https://www.engage24.org.uk/>

Pray for those recently bereaved in our church and in the community

Pray for our young people and students taking exams over the next few weeks.

Please pray for Morgan as he visits churches seeking new ministry – Please pray for the Lord to open the door to guide Morgan to his next step in Christian service.

Pray for Israel and Palestine and for an end to the ongoing war in Ukraine.

WORLD FOCUS

ERITREA

Have you ever been in prison or had your freedom curtailed in some way???

Here are some of our brothers in Christ who are still in prison after all these years and have no "physical" freedom.

Dr. Kilfu Gebremeskel (imprisoned since May 2004)
Pastor Haile Nayzgi (imprisoned since May 2004)
Pastor Million Gebreselasie (imprisoned since June 2004)
Futsum Gebrenegus (imprisoned since November 2004)
Gebremedhin Gebregiorsis (imprisoned since November 2004)
Tekleab Menghisteab (imprisoned since November 2004)
Kidane Weldou (disappeared in 2005, still thought to be imprisoned)
Rev. Ogbamichael Teklehaimanot (imprisoned since January 2005)

Please pray: - Ask God to strengthen and sustain those in prison. Pray that the authorities will recognise their responsibility to look after all Eritreans. Praise God that the church in Eritrea, despite persecution, is growing. Pray that this will continue. Praise God for the faithful witness of martyrs. Ask God to comfort their families. Pray that God will use their witness to draw persecutors to Jesus.

Simon Beber

SPORTS

All ages and abilities are welcome, including friends or people who aren't regular visitors to the church. Some events need to be booked in advance.

Tennis - Please speak to James Endicott to play at Monmouth Tennis Club's excellent facilities on Monmouth Sportsground; cost £4 per session for non-members (free for members).

Football - Jim Barker runs 5 a-side football sessions, currently fortnightly on a Friday at 7pm. If you are interested in joining, please speak to Jim or James Endicott to be added to the Football Whatsapp Group.

Basketball – Please ask for details.

MBC GIVING

Thank you for your continued giving to the work of the Church. Please use the Monmouth Baptist Church details for direct giving: Sort code 20-00-85, Account number 10615668.

Also, if you are a taxpayer, we can arrange for Gift Aid to claim tax back.

You can also give online at www.give.net/monmouthbc.

There are boxes in the chapel for those who like to give in person.

Thank you again for giving to the Lord's work here.

If you know anyone in the fellowship in financial need, we may be able to help from our Assistance Fund. Please contact Jonathan.

And if you would like to contribute to the Assistance fund, please make your gift in a marked envelope, or online indicating "Assistance Fund".

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Fellowship Zoom Meetings please use this link for any zoom meetings taking place and Church meetings: Join Zoom Meeting [click here](#)

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