

## More news...

### Praise God:

- That He is gracious and merciful. Thank Him for His acceptance and His loving embrace that holds each of us.

### Please Pray:

- For Dave Edwins as he shares God's Word with us this morning.
- For the children, youth and their leaders as they enjoy time with each other and explore more of God today.
- For Jackie McGregor as she takes school assemblies this week.
- For our overseas mission partners as they serve God around the world.

**Dave & Michele Mahon & family** working in Peru with BMS World Mission, **H** who is serving God in Asia, **Smile Charity Uganda** - Alex Gift Ngabonziza and family, **Esther Boulton** working with Ekisa Ministries (Uganda) and **Stephanie Darling** at the Evangelical Bible College in Malawi.

**Prayer Requests** - If you would like to request prayer at any time, please email details to [prayer@christchurchbaptist.org.uk](mailto:prayer@christchurchbaptist.org.uk) or complete the online form on our website [www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/prayer-requests/](http://www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/prayer-requests/).

**But Esau ran to meet Jacob and embraced him; he threw his arms around his neck and kissed him. And they wept.**

Genesis 33:4

## Staff team...

**Rev Chris Brockway** (Team Leader)

**Rev Kay Boulton** (Minister)

**Jackie McGregor** (0-18s Ministry Lead)

**Julie Dynan** (Administration)

**Mark Coleman** (Caretaker)

## Creation Care Challenge...



Encourage wildlife by having a wild area in your garden.

## Welcome...

Joining us for the first time...? You are very welcome!

During the 11am service our children & young people will enjoy time together with their leaders.

**'No, please!' said Jacob. 'If I have found favour in your eyes, accept this gift from me. For to see your face is like seeing the face of God, now that you have received me favourably. Please accept the present that was brought to you, for God has been gracious to me and I have all I need.' And because Jacob insisted, Esau accepted it.**

Genesis 33:10-11

## Today...

**Sunday 17 March**

9.15am: Morning Worship - Jacob: God Never Gives Up  
'Embracing!' (Genesis 33:1-16; 35:9-15 selected verses)  
Dave Edwins

Refreshments will be served in the church foyer between the services

11.00am: Morning Worship (as 9.15am)

## Next week...

**Live Streaming** - If you can't come physically, we will be live streaming the 11am service on our YouTube Channel and our online church platform: <https://youtube.com/c/ChristchurchBaptistChurch>

### Monday 18 March

12.30pm: Deeper - Bible Study For Mums  
7.00pm: Online Evening Prayer Gathering on Zoom

### Thursday 21 March

10.00am: Linkup Wellbeing Café  
7.00pm: Young People At 'The Passion Play'  
7.30pm: Church Members' Meeting

### Friday 22 March

10.00am: Stepping Stones - Parent & Toddler Group  
6.30pm: Trailblazers - Friday Kids Club

### Sunday 24 March

9.15am: Morning Worship - NEW TEACHING SERIES BEGINS  
God Is... - 'God Is My Joy' (Psalm 47:1-9; Matthew 21:1-11)  
Jeannie Kendall  
11.00am: Morning Worship (as 9.15am)  
6.30pm: Let's Explore - Youth Supper (10-17+)

Plans for Easter week are available on the church website:  
[www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/easter](http://www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/easter)

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**Giving To The Work Of The Church** - If you would like to give a cash offering for the work of God's Church please place it in the wooden box on the stage or in the foyer. Alternatively, we have two easy to use self-service devices that collect donations via contactless or Chip & PIN. For more information about giving to the work of Christchurch Baptist Church please visit our website: [www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/giving](http://www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/giving) where you can also download Standing Order and Gift Aid forms. If you are a visitor with us today, please do not feel any obligation to give.

## More news...

**Birthday Celebrations!** - A very Happy Birthday to Stu Lane & Julia Tinsley who both have birthdays today (17 March)!

**Online Evening Prayer Gathering** - On Monday evening (18 March) we will be gathering on Zoom, 7.00pm-7.30pm for a time of prayer. Please join us if you possibly can.

**Message From Christchurch Foodbank+** - As the Easter School holidays approach we are in desperate need of a UHT milk, cereal, tinned tuna, pasta sauce jars, tinned fruit, custard, crisps and savoury snacks. *Donated food items can be placed in the boxes in the foyer of church.*

**Church Members** - Reminder that there is a Church Members' Meeting for all Members on this Thursday (21 March). Please do make every effort to be there. Please email Julie ([office@christchurchbaptist.org.uk](mailto:office@christchurchbaptist.org.uk)) with apologies if you know you are unable to attend or contact the church office.

**Maundy Thursday Meal & Reflective Service** - Our staff team and Trustees will prepare and serve a lamb casserole meal (or vegetarian alternative). This will be immediately followed by Communion and a reflective time of worship in the church on Maundy Thursday (28 March, 7pm). You are warmly invited to join us for what is always a special occasion. If you can't sign up for this online please call the church office to book a place.

**Advanced Notice** - Cleaning, Maintenance & Gardening Day - Might you be free and willing to join us for all or part of the day on Saturday 20 April 9am-4pm for a cleaning, maintenance & gardening day...? Many hands will make light work! Please put this date in your diary

**Homemade Marmalade** - Marian has some delicious homemade marmalade available for sale in the foyer. Please give generously as all proceeds will go to the Project Five:One building fund.

**Recycling** - Bring in your old ink printer cartridges and we will recycle them for you. CBC is registered with 'Recycle4Charity' and every item recycled earns funds for our church. The collection box is in the foyer by the welcome desk. Also items such as jewellery (including damaged items), coins and currency (UK and foreign), mobile phones, old cameras and game consoles, can be recycled at CBC and every item recycled earns funds for our church. The collection box for these items is in the foyer by the serving hatch.