



ACRE MILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter : October 2019



| | Morning 10.30am | Evening 6.00pm |
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| 6 Oct J-Join | Philip & Jayne Webb <i>Harvest Family Service</i> | Esther Video Part 1 |
| 13 Oct | Rev Stephen Crook <i>Communion</i> | Esther Video Part 2 |
| 20 Oct | Jayne Haworth <i>Church Anniversary</i> | No Service |
| 27 Oct | Rob Winterbottom | Terry Haslam-Jones <i>Communion</i> |
| 3 Nov | John Prior | Mayor of Rossendale's Remembrance Service 2.30pm |
| 10 Nov | Terry Haslam-Jones <i>Remembrance Sunday</i> | Everyone Make Music |
| 17 Nov | David Clegg <i>Communion</i> | Phil Bowden |
| 24 Nov | Baptist Pulpit Exchange | New Songs of Praise |

Coming Up

Our regular meetings will be **having a break** during the schools' half-term week which starts on **Monday, 21 October**.

Everything will be back to normal the following week.

Wednesday, 30 October, 7.00pm - our annual **Men's Carvery Night** at the Rose and Bowl. See David Clegg for details.

The **CBC Bonfire** this year will be on Friday, 1 November at 6.30pm

On Friday, 8 November at 10.45am there will be a **Remembrance Service** at the Peace Garden, Toll Bar.

Ukulele Night 8 November 6.30.
Refreshments then games until about 8.00pm

During the Month of October, Louise will be taking any kind of donations for **BMS and Leprosy Mission** including the BMS Boxes and Leprosy Mission Phials

The **CBC Bonfire** will be on Friday 1 November starting at 6.30pm. There will be a supper at the bonfire with a donation of £1 requested. Donations towards the cost of the fireworks are also welcome.



If you have any wood for the bonfire, please bring as **close to the date as possible** as we don't have much room for storage. Again, please (please, please) **don't send any green branches** or tree cuttings as these are very difficult to burn. Help with clearing up on the night and the following morning would be appreciated.

On **Sunday, 20 October** we are celebrating the 147th anniversary of the founding of our church. Acre Mill started off as a **Sunday School Chapel in 1871** and became an independent church in 1889. We will have the archives and photographs on display as usual.

The next **Deacons' Meeting** will be on Tuesday, 29 October and the next Church Meeting is on Wednesday, 6 November at which the **elections for Deacons** will be held.

Jason Heath will come the end of his term of office this year. We need we need some more Deacons - especially ladies! **Nomination forms** will be available from Philip later in October. Please pray for our church leaders and the elections.

We are planning a **Baptism Enquirers'** course in the near future. The dates have not been finally fixed so please let Terry know if you are interested.



There is no commitment to being baptised but it will be a great opportunity to **find out more** about what the Bible says about Baptism and why this is such an important step in the Christian life.

Please Pray For (suggested by you)

- The young people and children who live near church
- Everyone who lives alone
- Families facing difficulties
- Governments and world leaders
- All those known to us who are ill
- Helpers with jobs and responsibilities at our church
- Our Toddler Group
- Our Deacons and leaders of our organisations



Give Thanks For:

- Faithful members of our fellowship past and present.
- Healing and relief from pain
- Kindness and encouragement
- Music and singing
- 148 years of witness at Acre Mill as a Sunday School and Church
- Friends and neighbours
- Lovely Autumn weather and Harvest Time.
- Wise Christian people and good advice
- Those with the gifts to lead services and teach from the bible



Flowers for October

- 6 Oct : Vacant (Anyone interested?)
- 13 Oct : Barbara Ingham in memory of Rodney
- 20 Oct : Terry in memory of his Grandmother, Mary Jones
- 27 Oct : Christine and David Clegg in memory of Jason

Birthday Corner Ben Metcalf on 13th October and Yannie will be 27th. We wish them a **Happy Birthday** - and everyone who has a birthday this month.



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Vision are again organizing a 'Lite Nite' celebration. We do not have exact details yet but these will be announced on their website and in our notices.

Remembrance Service On Friday, 8 November from 10.45am, there will be a **Remembrance Service** at the Peace Garden, Toll Bar, attended by the Mayor of Rossendale, local schools and representatives of other local veterans' organisations. **David Clegg** will be conducting the service and music will be provided by **Stacksteads Band**. Refreshments will be provided at the Rose and Bowl afterwards



Lantern Parade Lantern Parade Workshops for CBC will be held at Acre Mill 3 and 10 October

The parade will take place on **Saturday, 26th October** starting at Toll Bar at 6.00pm. The route will depend on the weather but will follow the river paths and end up at **Bowlers' Glade**, where there will be food, refreshments and music. See Poster in the Fellowship Room for more details...



The last visit of the **Bethany Choir** in 2016 was very memorable event and we have continued to support the work of the Bethany Family since then.

They are coming back on **Thursday, 14 November** at 7.00 with news of how the project has developed and to sing for us in their unique style. Please make this event as widely known as you can!

On Sunday, 3 November, we are honoured to be hosting the **Mayor of Rossendale's Annual Remembrance Service** at 2.30pm. There will not be an evening service on that day. **Stacksteads Band** and **The Rossendale Male Voice Choir** will be taking part.



Christmas is Coming

Here are the provisional dates for our **Christmas activities** which are to be confirmed at the November Church meeting.

Decorations Evening : Monday 25 November.
School Street Lights Switch On : Sunday 8 Dec 5.00
Christmas Musical : Sunday, 15 Dec 7.00pm
Toll Bar Carols : Friday, 20 Dec 7.00pm
Christmas Party : Saturday, 21 Dec 5.00-8.00pm
CBC/SS Morning Service : Sunday, 22 Dec 10.30am
Carols by Candlelight : Sunday 22 Dec 6.00pm.
Christmas Day Service : Tuesday 25 December 10.30am



The Choir are just starting to rehearse for their Christmas musical which, this year, is 'The Gift Goes On'. We really need more ladies' voices at the moment, so please think about joining us for this musical if you can. The music is very singable and easy to learn and we have a **great time rehearsing** and preparing to sing the Christmas message