



ACRE MILL BAPTIST CHURCH

NEWSLETTER : SEPTEMBER 2016



Services	Morning 10.30am	Evening 6.00pm
4 Sept Lunch	Terry HJ (Ruth2) <i>Family Service</i>	Terry HJ Ruth (2 Cont)
11 Sept	Phil Bowden (Ruth 3)	Testimony Evening
18 Sept	David Clegg (Ruth 4) <i>Communion</i>	Our Daily Bread <i>Big Welcome Sunday</i>
25 Sept	Mike Huck <i>BMS Sunday</i>	Focus on BMS <i>Communion</i>
2 Oct	Yvonne Webb <i>Tear Fund Sunday</i>	Phil B and Phil W
9 Oct J-Join	Stephen Crook <i>Harvest Sunday</i>	Harvest Celebration <i>Led By The Choir</i>
16 Oct	Geoff Skilling <i>Communion</i>	Café Church
23 Oct	<i>Church Anniversary</i>	Terry HJ
30 Oct	Tim Doggart	No Service (Holidays)

Coming Up

Starting up after Summer

Drop In	2 Sept
Toddlers	6 Sept
Midweek	7 Sept
CBC	8 Sept
Choir	15 Sept

Deacons Meetings
Tues 6 Sep & Tues 18 Oct

Church Meetings
Wed 14 Sep & Wed 9 Nov

15 & 22 Sep Lantern Parade
Workshops for CBC

1 October McMillan Big Brew

Harvest

On 9 October Stephen Crook will be leading our Harvest Family Service and there will be a **Jacob's Join** lunch afterwards.



Lots of us have been away on holiday during the summer visiting interesting and beautiful places and we hope you had a great time of refreshment. We get back to our regular timetable next week and look forward to our **Autumn events**. Grateful thanks to everyone who has helped during the last few weeks to make sure we continue with our church witness during the holiday period.



During September we are continuing with our series on the **book of Ruth**. The dates of the September morning services have been changed slightly so **please check** the new details in this newsletter.



The children of **CBC** had a great Summer Club last week on the theme of 'In The Beginning', with 30 children attending at some point during the week. Each day was packed with learning activities, games, crafts and

singing. The kids were **excellent** throughout the week and did some fantastic work. Pictures are on our website and Facebook page.

On Friday evening they showed what they had been doing to their families and we had a happy time together to complete a **brilliant and blessed week**. Well done to the **CBC** leaders (and helpers) for planning and organising the week. **Please pray** for our work with children and in our local community

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

On Saturday 1 October, a **Macmillan 'Big Brew'** is taking place at church - 1pm till 4pm - please drop in anytime. It's Macmillan's biggest fundraising event for people living with cancer. In 2015, over 170,000 people signed up, raising £25 million. If you can help or **donate cake or biscuits**, please see Samantha. More information at <https://coffee.macmillan.org.uk/>

Please Pray For (Your suggestions)

- Our Government and the important decisions and negotiations which take place in the next few months
- Folks recovering from illness, operations and hospital treatment
- The families affected by the earthquake in Italy
- Children and Young people starting new courses, schools and classes
- People who are bereaved, sad or worried
- Guidance for Church Leaders everywhere
- More people willing to help at our church
- Our work with children and young people
- Local families with financial and work problems
- Difficult personal situations of all kinds - especially those just known to you personally.

Give Thanks For:

- The CBC Summer Mission and the children who enjoyed it
- Everyone involved in planning and running our regular weekly activities
- Summer Holidays, new places, new experiences, new memories
- Opportunities to witness in our neighbourhood
- The work of all the churches in our town
- Strength and support in times of difficulty
- New friends and old friends
- Children and Grandchildren
- Our local schools and teachers

Trinity Baptist Church, Bacup, are having a special service on Saturday 10 September at 3 pm to welcome **Dave Bartram** (son of Trevor and Ann) to join them as a minister in training for the next three years. The service will be followed by refreshments. Please let Terry know **if you are going** so we can give numbers for their catering.

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of **Carol Davidson** in July. Carol was a valued member of our church for many years and she served here faithfully in several roles including **Pulpit Supply Secretary, Tear Fund Secretary and Fairtrade Representative**. Our sincere best wishes and prayers go out to her family at this sad time.

Enquirers classes Believer's Baptism is a fundamental part of our Christian witness and service and we are hoping to have a **series of meetings** to learn more and talk about Baptism and Church Membership in the near future. Please let one of the **Deacons** know if you are interested

Flowers for September



4 Sept Jean Cormack in memory of Harold Cormack.

11 Sept Joan Spencer and. Jean Naylor in memory of Mrs Elizabeth Stott

18 Sept Alan and Joan Bailey in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Kershaw

25 Sept Katie and Lee Metcalf to celebrate their Wedding Anniversary on 27 September

Birthday Corner

Happy Birthday to **Yvonne, Neil and Bethany** - and everyone with a birthday in September.

Please let us know if you have a birthday to be included in the newsletter.



Evening Services Our Evening services start again on 4 September and we would **encourage everyone** to come along to support this important part of our worship and witness. During the **next months** there will be a balance of praise, teaching and focus on world and local community issues.

The Choir will be singing at the **Harvest Service** on 9 October. **Choir Rehearsals start** again on Thursday 17 September and will include learning a musical for Christmas. Everyone is welcome to come along.



Please Help! We still need helpers for **Welcoming and Brewing Up**. If you feel you could help,- even for a week now and then - please see Yvonne,

Philip Webb or Terry. **Extra Helpers** for the Toddler group are also always welcome, so please see Katie, Miriam or Kath if you would like to help.

SUNDAY 18 SEPTEMBER THE BIG WELCOME

This is a great opportunity to invite someone you know along to church. **Pray**, have courage and give it a try! You never know, someone might **just be waiting** to be invited.



Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as you are doing. 1 Thess 5:11

