Rotas for March 2020

Cleaning Chapel and Vestry Julia

Kitchen - Joy

Hall & facilities - All Users

Front Steps and Passage

Rob

Toilets - Carvs

Notices -Jenni

Communion Table Setting

Pat

Servers

Pam & David

Tea and Coffee Rotas

March 1st - Doris & Mary

March 8th - Jenni

March 15th - Jill & Pam

March 22nd - Dianne

March 29th - Jan

Door Steward

Don

For further information visit our website: www.ewyasharoldbaptistchurch.org.uk

Food Bank Donations

The Food Bank are very grateful for all donations, please remember that the 'Trug' in the Vestry is there for any donations. Thank you.

Information for April Newsletter to Jenny Harter March 21st please jenny@harter.co.uk

Pastor Rev Joy James. 01981 241318 - mobile No 07582 336797 revjoyjames@hotmail.com

Joy's usual days of work are:

Week 1 - Sunday, Monday & Tuesday. (Check if Joy is on duty that Sunday)

Week 2 - Monday, Tuesday & Friday.

If Joy is not available contact one of the Leaders



Meeting Christ Meeting Needs - March Newsletter 2020

Forthcoming information

Koffi Pot 10.30am

at the Church Friday March 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th

Leaders' Meeting

Monday March 9th 7.00pm

O Sew Simple

March 5th & 19th

Dulas Court Service

March 11th 3.00pm Led by Rev Joy James

Messy Church

St Michael's Hall 2nd Thursday in the month 3.30pm - Contact Annie for further information

Rainbow Arts

Wednesdays 10.30am to 1pm in the Hall. All Welcome

Community Singing

March 25th 2.00pm @ Dulas Court

March Thought for the Month

he recent storm gave me the opportunity to watch BBC's The Big Questions a debate exploring the question: "Do you have to have a faith to do good?" . Various responses included a muslim immam describing good deeds as a way of pleasing and obeying God, as preparation for paradise, and with a view to judgement day. An ex muslim, now humanist argued that good deeds simply out of a motivation of love with no expectation of an afterlife was surely a better motive. A Christian bishop pointed out that people with a shared faith and value system working together can effect more change for good than the sum of individuals working alone. Someone was then asked to share his personal story of the effect of coming to Christ. He described how good works were simply a natural outworking of being fully loved and accepted by God and receiving grace and forgiveness through the cross. He described a situation where someone unintentionally hit his car. His natural reaction now that Jesus is Lord and Saviour is a desire to forgive and let go, whereas previously he would have been unconsidered, angry and self centred in his reaction.

The gospel message can enable people to break free from patterns of negative emotional responses such as anger, impulsivity and fear by the personal experience of surrender to God's unconditional love and forgiveness and a deep knowledge of what it is to be made in God' image. The gospel is as relevant as it has ever been: as the words of the song say

The gospel oh Lord is the Hope for our nation.

It's the power of God for our salvation.

With every blessing, Julia

Monday Matters March 16th, 7.30pm - Led by Margaret at Mary's home: please park on Garage forecourt. Further information contact Dianne on *01981 241185*

House of Prayer

Wednesdays 10.30am to 3.30pm

11am to 11.20am Led reflection and prayer. Intercessory Prayers 2.00pm to 2.20pm. You are invited to bring any concerns that you may have and want prayer for. You are welcome to come at any time and stay for as long or short or as often or seldom as you would like. These days are for setting aside the demands and stresses of life and receiving from God - his peace, healing, support & love.

Contact Pam on 01981 240202 for further information

Thursday Morning Group meet second and fourth Thursday of the month 10.15am Contact David Baines 01981 240152 for more information. The aim of this group is to encourage one another in our walk with Jesus and our understanding of the Bible.

OUTDOOR CHURCH OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES FUN & FRIENDSHIP



February 29th Longtown Outdoor Centre 2pm to 4pm Further information contact Julia 01981 240346

"The Prayer Course"

You are invited to join us to share with and encourage each other in our Christian walk in a home group setting.

We will be following an 8 week course called "The Prayer Course" (material provided by Pete Grieg of 24/7 prayer). This involves watching a You Tube clip with the opportunity for discussion and prayer afterwards. Each session is stand alone so there is no need to commit for the whole course.

Time: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays starting on March 3rd. At 7.15 for 7.30 start. 9pm finish

Venue: Joy and Richard James home: Court Farm, Pontrilas, Hereford. HR2 0EH

This is open to people from both EHBC and other churches in the local area.

Please let us know whether you might like to join us or have any questions.

Contact Joy or Julia for further information.

Services for March 2020

Sunday March 1st

10.30am - Morning Worship Led by Ian Purcell Reader - Pat

Sunday March 8th

10.30am - Morning Worship **Xplore or Little Explorers**

Led by - Rev Joy James

Reader - Dianne

Sunday March 15th

10.30am - Morning Worship with Communion

Led by - Rev Andrew Harter

Reader - Jenny H

Sunday March 22nd

10.30am - Café Style Service Led by - Rev Joy James

Reader - Mark

Sunday March 29th

10.30am - Prayerful Service Led by - Pat Hawkins

Sunday April 5th

10.30am Morning Worship Led by - Rob & Sue Parkinson Reader - Juli

Lent Lunches - Baptist Hall 12.30 to 2pm

March 5th - Talking Newspaper

March 12th - Samaritans

March 19th - Citizens Young People

March 28th Citizens Advice

On another note: Dianne would very much appreciate an offer on the odd months of someone to clean the kitchen.