

GLAZEBURY METHODIST CHURCH

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REV KATHARINE BLAND



READINGS FOR SUNDAY, 9 JANUARY 2022 (Sunday after Epiphany) –Isaiah 43: 1-7, Psalm 29, Acts 6: 14-17 and Luke 3: 15-17 and 21-22.

LUKE 3: 21-22 – ‘The Baptism and Genealogy of Jesus’ – When all the people were being baptised, Jesus was baptised too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”

Hi All,

Following feedback from the leadership at both churches, Rev’d Jan and I have taken the decision not to go ahead with our joint Covenant service on 16th January. There will be a mix of disappointment and relief from both churches, but we feel this is the right decision at this current time.

We understand how much this service means to both congregations, and so Jan and I have come up with a Plan B, which I have to admit, we are both really excited about. We shall look to coming together for a joint Covenant Service in the Spring. The weather should be much improved by then, and with it comes the theme of new life, fresh start, something which the Covenant theme fits well.

For now, let’s stay safe and get through this ‘wave’, looking out for one another, especially our most vulnerable.
[Rev Katharine Bland]

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ACTION FOR CHILDREN

At the last Breakfast Church we raised £116 for Action for Children. Thank you to everyone who contributed. [Hazel Weston]

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COFFEE MORNING – There will be another Coffee Morning on TUESDAY, 11 JANUARY 2022 - 10.00 – 12noon at church. Can you let a Steward know if you want these Coffee Mornings to continue and if you are willing to organise/help in the kitchen.

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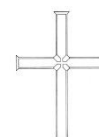
Hi everyone – Can you please ensure that you return all 'Mission in Britain' boxes to Colin/Barbara Mills ASAP. Thank you for your continued support.

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SERVICES AT GLAZEBURY METHODIST

Date	Preacher	Virtual (V) or Physical (P)	If you can't attend church – join online by this link
			From 6th June: Online: click this link to join the meeting via Zoom . Sunday Service Zoom Link On the Phone: Dial 0330 088 5830 on your telephone, When it asks for the access code, enter 935 8460 6158# . When it asks for your ID, press # .
2022			
9/1/22	Breakfast Church/Local Arrangement	P	Steward – Janet Crozier
16/1/22	Rev Katharine Bland	P	Normal Sunday worship. Steward -Christine Taylor
23/1/22	Phillip Kennedy	P	Steward – Robert Graham
30/1/22	Live Stream - Local Arrangement	P	Steward – Delia Caswell
6/2/22	Maureen Hilton	P	Steward – Janet Crozier

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CIRCUIT VISION – IMPLEMENTATION DAY

Following on from the Circuit Vision Day in October, the following prayer points were identified.

The Circuit Vision: Implementation Day will be taking place on **Saturday 19th February 9 .30am – 12.30pm at Bedford Methodist Church**. Ahead of this we ask that you keep these seven points in your prayers. Each church will be given further information in organising opportunities for prayer ahead of the Implementation Day.

1. For the Circuit to identify as a team and to work more closely together.
2. To explore opportunities to share people and resources more closely.
3. To improve communication across the Circuit and between churches.
4. To provide pastoral support for our congregations and our staff.
5. To encourage opportunities to work closely with children and young people and our schools.
6. To explore opportunities to support our local communities.
7. To develop opportunities to support outreach work, including 'New People, New Place

[Andrea (Circuit Office)]

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A PRAYER INSPIRED BY PSALM 8 – written by Rev Paul Martin, Bolton and Rochdale District Chair

Loving God, my shield and hiding place, give me the courage to come from behind the shield, give me the faith to leave my hiding place: so that I may be willing to go into every place, places of tears and trauma, places of disillusion and despair as well as places of fun and fulfilment. Displace my complacency and replace it with a spirit of boldness.

May I serve you till in heaven I take my place. Until then, I place into your hands the things I should do, safe in the knowledge that you are my abiding place, my dwelling place and my resting place. Amen

Please CONTINUE TO REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING in your prayers:-

Please let me have any prayer requests.

Those, for one reason or another, feel that they are not ready to return to church. May your blessings be always with them.

For any of our friends and relatives who are finding these times difficult. May your presence be with them.

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MEN'S BREAKFAST

Probably the next breakfast will be on Saturday, 29 January 2022 – Speaker to be advised.

[Alan Crozier]

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THE LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETS ON A REGULAR BASIS. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES/QUESTIONS PLEASE LET ME KNOW WHAT THEY ARE AND I WILL TAKE THEM TO THE MEETING – IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT THE QUESTION/CONCERN MIGHT BE. WE CANNOT WORK FOR YOU IF YOU DON'T TELL US WHAT YOU MAY BE CONCERNED ABOUT!!!

[Christine Taylor]

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Room / Event Bookings

With immediate effect please direct all room / event booking enquiries to Robert Graham via one of the following methods: DM via the Glazebury Methodist Church Facebook page
By email: Robert.graham5@sky.com By Phone or text: 07806 600508

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