



RUGBY BAPTIST CHURCH

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16th & 23rd February 2025

“Come and See”

Upcoming Services

Sunday 16th February 2025

10:30 Sunday Morning Service

BAPTISM: WHAT STOPS ME?

ACTS 8: 26-40

Live Links Here 

6:30 Evening Communion Service

EATING WITH JESUS: LAST SUPPER

Flowers are given today by Patsy Coley and Family
In Loving Memory of Eliza Francis

Sunday 23rd February 2025

10:30 Sunday Morning Service

PASSION

LUKE 24: 32-35, HEBREWS 12: 1-3

Live Links Here 

6:30 Evening Communion Service

EATING WITH JESUS: THE CALL OF MATTHEW

Flowers are given today by Rosemary Pugh
In Loving Memory of Peter

6:30pm Evening Service Series

JOIN IN WITH OUR SERMON SERIES
ON EATING WITH JESUS



The Bible begins and ends with meals.

God's first invitation to humans was to eat; the first conflict in the Bible is over a forbidden meal; the last act of Jesus before his death was to share a meal with his followers; the final vision of the Bible was of a massive, joyful banquet.

Jesus spent a huge amount of time eating with people. His first miracle was a response to a catering crisis and he earned a reputation as a glutton and drunkard because he spent so much time eating and drinking. Gloriously and unapologetically he ate and drank with the people others rejected or shunned.

At our Sunday evening services from now until the beginning of Lent we are investigating some of the most famous meals that Jesus shared with people, and seeing why food and faith are so often, and so closely, linked.

Have you noticed the friendly faces at the door as you attend church services? Would you like to be part of this? Well now, is the ideal opportunity: The Welcome Team are looking for some more members to support morning and evening services. If you think you would like to help please talk to Helen Ledingham who will be able to give you the information that you would want. It's a valuable service to the church and a really great opportunity to meet others that we worship with and to welcome visitors.



Three more baptisms! A fantastic close as our baptism series finishes on Sunday as we consider; what stops me?

Jack, Mark and Adam gave their declarations of faith in front of their family and friends. Rugby Baptist Church is proud to support you as you continue your journey.

David attended the HEBA ministers conference. Although this year will not stand out as a brilliant conference, it was good to get away and meet and share with other ministers, especially to get to know Ali from Dunchurch Baptist.



The major topic of conversation at this year's conference was that HEBA is undergoing a restructuring, which the Deacons have provided feedback to and information will be circulated as we have it.

It is with sadness that we inform you of the death of Martin Jackson who was the organist and choir master at Rugby Baptist church for many years in the 60's and 70's. Martin was taken into hospital a few weeks ago with pneumonia but there were complications, and he died on the 10th February. We would remember and pray for his wife Joy and his daughters Carol and Hilary at this sad time.





the GIRLS' BRIGADE
ENGLAND & WALES



Girls's Brigade had visitors this week in the form of Machi and Chloe from the Guide Dogs. Chloe works at the Guide Dogs National Centre and Machi is almost ready to be introduced to someone who needs her support.

The girls got to; meet Machi and Chloe and hear all about her training and practicing some commands and skills, wear special goggles to experience different sight problems and then trying to write their names on a piece of paper and walking across

the room to stick it on a target - with the help of a friend giving instructions, making an origami dog, spelling their names in braille, doing a word search, colouring and thinking about all of our senses. Thank you Machi and Chloe for a fabulous evening!

The youngest group of girls (n:vestigatE) in Girls Brigade had some fun with ice, salt and food colouring and made some pretty snowflake coasters, while learning about snow and ice.

In support of
 Guide Dogs

Thank you

Rugby Baptist Church

Monthly Coffee Morning

Has helped to raise a paw-inspiring **£352.85!**



guidedogs.org.uk

The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association is a registered charity in England and Wales (209627), Scotland (SC038979) and Isle of Man (1334) 834 12/23

Love in Lent

"Love your neighbour ... forgive those who wrong you."

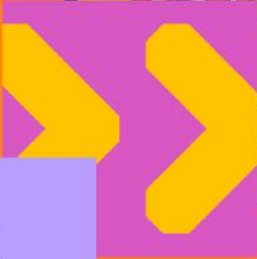
Sometimes we make life very complicated. Jesus said some simple things about love, but immediately people started asking for more clarity. Who is my neighbour? How many times must I forgive?

This Lent we at Rugby Baptist Church want to make it simple for you. We are supporting an initiative called "40 Acts." If you sign up for it (you can follow the link in this newsletter) you will receive three practical ideas each day as to how you can show generosity and kindness to people around you.

One of the ideas is simple and easy, one is moderately easy, and the last might demand more time, money or thought. But all of them will inspire you to show just a little more love and kindness. Sign up today so that you are ready when Lent begins on Wednesday 5th March.

Sign Up Here 

4 acts brought to you by Stewardship



Do Lent generously



in partnership with





Rugby Baptist Church **are having a new kitchen!**

**Unfortunately we cannot cook whilst
we do the work so luncheon club
taking a break.**

**Our last lunch will be Tuesday
4th March and we'll be back
on Tuesday 29th April**

**If you would like to find out more about
our new kitchen come and see at our
coffee morning on Saturday 1st March.**



**Our 3rd Tuesday Club will still be in
action on 19th March and 16th April
1:45 to 4:00pm in the Regent Rooms
next door.**

IN OUR BUILDING



RoSA use Rugby Baptist Church rooms for meetings, staff training and workshops on a regular basis.

RoSA is a leading charity established to provide confidential services for survivors of rape, sexual violence and childhood sexual abuse throughout Warwickshire and surrounding areas.

In 1991 a small group of local people identified the need for a totally independent support service for survivors of rape, sexual violence and sexual abuse living in and around Rugby.

A small steering group was determined to set up a support group for anyone whose life had been affected by sexual abuse. RoSA has always been an inclusive agency and had a far-sighted and unusual approach for that time when many services excluded male survivors and partners from benefiting from support offered to female survivors.

Over the next two years RoSA set up a training programme to enable the delivery of support services. In 1993 RoSA's Constitution was formally accepted by the Management Committee, and RoSA was registered as a non-profit making charity with the Charity Commission.

In the early days volunteer and committee meetings were held round kitchen tables, and counselling rooms were found wherever appropriate agencies would allow counsellors to meet clients free of charge. Pioneering times indeed!

However, those early RoSA volunteers had bigger ideas and set about applying to the National Lottery Charities Board for funding to develop services further. These hopes and dreams were answered in 1997 with a grant from the National Lottery to set up offices and counselling rooms in Rugby Town Centre, to employ staff and develop the structure of the organisation, thereby enabling more volunteer counsellors to be recruited and trained.

Over the years RoSA has grown considerably as a well-established specialist service, providing comprehensive holistic support throughout the county of Warwickshire.



RoSA offers support and counselling for people, regardless of age, gender, race, sexual orientation, physical or mental capability or belief, who have experienced rape, sexual abuse, and sexual violence. You can expect to receive the support that allows you, the utmost dignity and respect by our specialist team of counsellors, advocates and support workers. Our services are provided sensitively and confidentially.



YOU ARE INVITED TO
RUGBY BAPTIST CHURCH'S

Anniversary Breakfast

MARCH 8TH • 8AM - 9:45AM

JOHN LEES HALL

FULL ENGLISH - CEREAL - ORANGE JUICE
£5 DONATION RECOMMENDED

THERE WILL BE GUEST SPEAKERS FROM REVIVE RUGBY
Jonathan Skelton and Diana Mansell

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO COME, PLEASE LET MICK DAULMAN KNOW ASAP.
(07799881252 OR MICKDAULMAN@SKY.COM)



Church Anniversary

QUIZ

**Rugby Baptist Church
Regent Place**

**Saturday 8th March
6.30pm for 7pm start**

**Hosted by quizmaster
Dave Twynholm**

**Light refreshments will be
available to purchase before the
start and during the interval**

£5 per person, up to 6 per team

**booking and payment in advance is essential
contact Kathryn Morley on 07914 763221**



Rugby Baptist Church Women's Ministry

Bloom Women's Ministry Questionnaire

Bloom is a ministry for women run by women within the church. We would like to get to know a little more about What Women Want!

We have developed a questionnaire, that has been emailed out through Churchsuite to women in the church family who have given us email addresses and permission to contact them. If you have not received the email and would like to know more about Bloom, what it offers and share your ideas for events and activities please complete the questionnaire using the link below.

**Complete the questionnaire by
clicking here**

Please ask one of the leaders should you need help to access this. Your Bloom Team are Jess Quirke, Louise Morley, Fiona Meacham, and Trudy McKnight.



INVITES YOU TO...

DESSERT & DISCIPLESHIP

7PM - 9PM, MARCH 1ST, 2025
JOHN LEES HALL

COME AND JOIN THE BLOOM TEAM FOR OUR FIRST
WOMENS EVENT OF 2025!

WE WILL BE DISCUSSING IDEAS FOR EVENTS IN
THIS NEW YEAR AND SPENDING SOME TIME IN
DISCIPLESHIP.

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU
THERE!

THE BLOOM TEAM

Hope4

Sleep Out to Help Out 2025

Every February, we challenge the people of Rugby to sleep out on a cold winter's night to get a slight glimpse of what it could feel like to be homeless.



Register for Sleep Out
To Help Out 2025

Website Link Here

Our next event:

28th February
2025

If you want to find our more information or have questions about Sleep Out To Help Out, please email our office: sleepout@hope4.org.uk

"The event is so well organised
and any concerns of taking
part were soon dealt with"

- Sleep Out '24
Participant

Sleep out on a cold winter's night and
raise money for Hope4

Sponsored by:



Plan your growing space; Free workshop

Saturday 22nd February
Rugby Eco Hub

2-4pm (arrival from 1:45pm)

Free workshop on how to plan your growing space.

Get ready for your growing year with our interactive workshop.

Learn about crop rotation, seed sowing and much more.



garden.
organic

Scan here to book your
space:



Green Christian

Ordinary Christians, extraordinary times

Events at Rugby Eco Centre

7PM FOR 7:30PM
START

13TH MARCH
RECYCLING

10TH APRIL
COMMUNITY
ENERGY

8TH MAY
GREEN
INVESTMENT

Seed swap

You are welcome to bring home-saved and commercial seeds, organic and non-organic, flowers, vegetables, anything, even 1/2 used packets. If you don't have anything to swap, we can accept a suggested donation of around 75 pence per packet.



Saturday 15th February

10am - 12pm

Eco Hub, Claremont Centre, Betts Hall,

43 Clifton Road, Rugby CV21 3QE

(entrance on Bath Street)

<https://www.transitiontownrugby.org/initiatives/seed-swap-2025>



Website Link Here





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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday 9am to 1pm



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