



RUGBY BAPTIST CHURCH

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Newsletter

16th & 23rd March 2025

“Come and See”

Upcoming Services

Sunday 16th March 2025

10:30 Sunday Morning Service
PEOPLE WHO MET JESUS

Live Links Here 

6:30 Evening Communion Service
PRAYER. MATTHEW 6:1-15

**Flowers given today by Geoffrey, Margaret, Rosemary
and John Greer. In loving memory of Mum and Dad**

Sunday 23rd March 2025

10:30 Sunday Morning Service
PEOPLE WHO MET JESUS

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6:00 Revive Service at The Woodlands Centre.
No Service at Rugby Baptist Church.
Please note earlier time.

**Flowers today from the Thanksgiving Service on 21st March
for the life of Carol Clayton, given by the family.**

NEW SUNDAY MORNING SERMON SERIES

PEOPLE JESUS MET

The Christian faith is not based on an idea, but on a person. It is in meeting Jesus that we come to faith. Over Lent and after Easter, in the morning services, we will be looking at a number of people who encountered Jesus, both during his earthly ministry and after his resurrection. Their encounters were very different but they all had this in common. Once people had met Jesus, their lives were never the same again. Some sought Jesus out; some did not realise who Jesus was at the time. Some turned away from him; some put their trust in him. Some found restoration; some found a new purpose. And for the 2000 years since these first encounters, Jesus has continued to transform lives all around the world.



Advance Prayer
focus for schools led
by Rugby Youth for
Christ and Georgina
Newton from
Diocesan Board of
Education





revive

ADVANCE

SCHOOLS & YOUNG PEOPLE

Sunday 23rd March
The Woodlands Centre
6pm

 **Rugby
YOUTH
FOR CHRIST**

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COVENTRY
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Revive Services

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ADVANCE

Sunday 6th April 2025
Dunchurch Baptist Church
6:30pm

And let us run with perseverance the race marked
out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer
and perfecter of faith. - HEBREWS 12:1-2

There will be
no evening
services on
these dates at
Rugby Baptist
Church



Bloom Women's Ministry had a fabulous evening enjoying desserts and discipleship at their first event of the year.



The John Lees Hall is now closed as the kitchen refurbishment is underway! The electric cable has been installed by moling underground from the church tower to the John Lees Hall. All of the equipment has been removed from the kitchen and we now await the electrician and new floor

before the new equipment arrives. Thank you to all of those volunteers that have been working so hard.



The Church Meeting was held on Tuesday 11th March, when the church budget 2024-25 was accepted. An update was given on the kitchen renovation and the church agreed in principle to replace the kitchen shutter with a mechanised one. Pastoral concerns and news of upcoming events were also shared.

Four new members were accepted into church membership: Gloria Lawley, Adam Wood, Gilly Staley and Jack Butler.

The total raised from the Gift Day was £4000. This will be split between Christian Aid's Middle East Crisis Appeal, and the Coventry-Based Community of the Cross of Nails.

Well done!

Minnows have been exploring the story of 'Jesus Walking On Water'. Telling the story with props, a cardboard boat, wooden people and fabric water.

Afterwards the children made pictures together to help retell the story. Look out for the O shaped mouths on the disciples, the children practiced looking amazed with their own faces too!





Our church is part of HEBA, the Heart of England Baptist Association. HEBA is currently served by three Regional Ministers, who together have responsibility for 153 churches between us here in Rugby and the Welsh borders (including Birmingham and Coventry).

One of these Regional Ministers, Neil LeTissier, is shortly to retire. Neil is well known to our church. He was born and raised in Guernsey and worked as a teacher and accountant before entering ministry. Serving as a minister in London and Sutton Coldfield and has been a Regional Minister in Heba for some years. We pray God's blessing on him in retirement.

Due to financial pressures, the decision has been made not to appoint another Regional Minister to replace Neil. Instead, Heba are appointing a number of "Pastoral Ministers" who, as well as probably serving as a minister of a local church, will support and advise up to twelve churches around their area.

This is a big change, and with only two regional ministers covering a huge area, the reality is that we will probably see less of Regional Ministers, but more of whoever is appointed as our area's Pastoral Minister.

If you want to learn more about the restructure of HEBA or the new role of Pastoral Minister, please speak to David or Graham.

THE BOYS' BRIGADE

> the adventure begins here



Meeting at Rugby Baptist Church, Regent Place, CV21 2PJ
from September every Friday during term time
for activities and fun within a structured award scheme

Anchor Boys - Years 1 to 3 - 6.30pm – 8.00pm

Junior Section – Years 4 to 6 – 6.30pm to 8.00pm

Company Section – Years 7 to 10 – 6.30pm to 9.00pm



For further details contact:
Captain Richard Meacham
Tel: 07794 509599

GET THE
KIDS
INVOLVED

1st Rugby Girls' Brigade

at Rugby Baptist Church, Regent Place, CV21 2PJ

We meet every Monday during term time, and we have fun, make friends
and discover faith within a structured award scheme

School years 1 to 3 meet from 6.00pm to 7.15pm

School years 4 to 13 meet from 6.00pm to 8.00pm

For further details contact:
GB@rugbybaptist.org.uk or the church office on 01788 570410
Find us on Facebook – 1st Rugby Girls' Brigade



the **GIRLS'**
BRIGADE
ENGLAND & WALES



IN OUR BUILDING

WARWICKSHIRE VISION

Rugby Baptist Church is home to the weekly Warwickshire Vision support meetings.

A non profit organisation formerly known as Warwickshire Association for the Blind, Warwickshire Vision is the primary provider of rehabilitation services for people living with sight loss in Warwickshire. At the support meetings every Wednesday morning at Rugby Baptist Church the team are at the side of someone living with sight loss every step of the way.....



Advice, support and information



An opportunity to meet other people with sight loss



Demonstrations of daily living aids to promote independence and safety



Assistance with setting up electronic devices such as phones and tablets



Presentations about products to help people with visual impairment





News Updates

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poverty

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CAP Rugby will be giving “Bags of Hope” to clients this Easter. If you would like to sponsor a £5 gift bag please visit the giving page at <https://christians-against-poverty-rugby.sumupstore.com/> All donations will be used directly for debt help.

CAP Rugby have announced the appointment of two new Debt Coaches, Sue and Mark.



Wit and Helen have sent their latest news from Thailand. They tell of events and visits and a wedding in their new building. To read Boondeekhun’s Bulletin click here or visit

<https://bmsworldmission.org/hwboondeekhun>



YOU ARE INVITED TO

THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP
(PREVIOUSLY WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP)

Centenary Concert

An Evening of music with Rob Colley

RUGBY BAPTIST CHURCH

17TH MAY 2025

7:30-9:30PM

FREE ENTRY - DONATIONS FOR REFRESHMENTS



Minister - David Fleming

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday 9am to 1pm



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