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Our services are live-streamed

so you may appear on camera if you sit in the front rows or come onstage. If you do not consent to being filmed, then please sit further back. Speak to one of the Welcome Team if you are unsure of what to do or require further information.

Thank you

Prayer Box

Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell, grieving or have family problems.

We also have an email prayer network.

If you would like to join the prayer network or wish us to pray for you or someone you know, please contact **Julia Andrews** on 07840 694099 or email

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If you have any items for the Weekly Welcome please email Maureen Chivers at mochivers@gmail.com by Wednesday evening

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"Shining for Jesus in the darkness" 25th February 2024

We welcome you to our service today!

You are welcome here among our church family. Wherever you've come from, wherever you are going, whatever your background, ability, status or age, you will find a place to call home among us. During the service you can sing or remain silent, stand or sit, be upstairs in the balcony or downstairs in the comfy seats.

We will share prayers, songs and consider a Bible theme together, and everyone is encouraged to participate in some way if possible. We want everyone to get something from this time together. There is a Visitors' Book in the foyer that we hope will be used by all our guests, and there is also the Offering Box if you want to contribute to the Lord's work in this place (no pressure!)

We'd love you to stay after the service for a cuppa and a chat in the Hall. If you would like prayer then there is a prayer team, wearing lanyards, on hand for you. If you would like to chat to the Pastor and maybe ask about the service, he is more than happy to spend time with you. Just ask him.

PRAYER PROMPT

A Bill to ban 'conversion practices' that "change a person's sexual orientation" or "change a person to or from being transgender" is due to be debated at Westminster in the coming weeks. Lloyd Russell-Moyle MP's Conversion Practices (Prohibition) Bill would create a new offence, punishable by an unlimited fine. Without doubt abusive, violent, or coercive 'practices', 'treatments' or 'therapies' aimed at changing a person's identity are wrong, and a source of deep hurt to those who experience them and can already be dealt with under existing laws. The terminology in the proposed Bill is vague, creating a risk of interference in the church, and private family life. As drafted, it does not rule out Christian ministers being punished for counselling people in line with the clear teaching of Scripture - that God creates us male and female. To reject His authority is surely dangerous.

At Brixham Baptist Church we believe in the power of prayer. If you have heard something in the service that prompts you, or simply want someone to pray with you, or pray for someone you know, then please come to the front after the service and our Prayer Ministry team will be happy to pray with you.

OUR SERVICES

Today 25th February 2024

9.45 - 10.15am: Pre-service Prayer Meeting

10.30am: Morning Service led by Geoff Andrews with Darrell preaching on *The Lord's Prayer – Lead Us Not Into Temptation (Matthew 5:21-30).* This service will include Communion.

10.30am: Shine (Hall)

11.45am: Drinks and biscuits (Hall)

Sunday 3rd March 2024

9.45 - 10.15am : Pre-service Prayer Meeting

10.30am: Morning Service: Darrell Holmes Lord Teach Us to Pray

- for Glory (John17:1-5) 10.30am: Shine (Hall)

CHURCH DIARY

Mon 26th		
Tues 27th	10.00am-1.00pm 7.30pm	Front Room open Leaders' Prayer Meeting (Front Room)
Wed 28th	9.30am 12.00—1.30pm 2.30pm–4.30pm 7.00pm–9.00pm	Mid-week Prayer Meeting (Front Room) Lent Lunch (Christian Community Centre) Alpha Course (Front Room) Alpha Course (Front Room)
Thurs 29th	10.00am - 12.00 5.45pm - 7.00pm	Community Coffee Morning (Hall)
Fri 1st Mar	10.00am-1.00pm 10.00-11.30am 10.30am 2.00-4.00pm	Front Room open Toddlers Group (Hall) World Day of Prayer Service (Fore Street Methodist Church) Craft and Chatter (Front Room)
Sat 2nd		
Sun 3rd	9.45-10.15am 10.30am 10.30am 11.45am	Pre-service Prayer Meeting (Front Room) Morning Service Shine (Hall) Drinks & Biscuits (Hall)

OUR DAILY BREAD BOOKS

If you have yet to collect your Our Daily Bread book for March to May, please collect it from the church foyer and tick your name off the list.

COLIN'S STUDY

If you can help Colin create his new study, please speak with him.

CHRISTIAN AID LENT LUNCHES

The Lent Lunches continue each Wednesday during Lent, so come along between 12.00noon and 1.30pm and enjoy tasty homemade soup, bread and a tea or coffee. The lunches on 28th February and on 13th, 20th and 27th March will be hosted by the Methodist Church at the Christian Community Centre, while on 6th March the lunch will be in our church hall.

THE SCREWTAPE LETTERS - UNLEASHED THEATRE COMPANY

Unleashed Theatre Company presents a production of the C.S.Lewis classic 'The Screwtape Letters' from Wednesday 13th to Saturday 16th March. There are performances each evening and a matinee on the Saturday. Tickets are £8 in advance or £13 on the door and can be booked via



www.unleashedtheatrecompany.com/whats-on/

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER-FRIDAY 1st MARCH

This year's service, written by Christian women in Palestine, will be held at Fore Street Methodist Church at 10.30am. Everyone is welcome to attend. For further information, see reverse of Pastor's Patch.

FAMILY ACTIVITY DAY-SATURDAY 16th MARCH

We are holding a fun-filled activity day for 5-11 year olds with craft, games, food and stories. Places are limited. For further details and to book, go to www.brixhambaptist.org.uk

Volunteers are needed to help on the day—please contact Maria Orton.