

17th March, 2024

Weekly News



Welcome to GBC.
We are so pleased you could join us today!

If it's your first time, be sure to chat with some of the team and consider filling out our connect cards or our connect form online.

We'd love to spend time with you today, so be sure to stay after service for some simple refreshments and time of fellowship in the Backroom Cafe.

You can find out about many of the below events and see some of the GBC Family in the [GBC Preview](#), and you can watch it, and other previews [here!](#)

At GBC we aim to Love God, Love People and Make disciples.



Today is Third Sunday, as such we won't be holding our regular services. Instead, we missionally open the Backroom Cafe to serve our communities. How is God leading you to serve your community? Is this the day you invite those non-Christian friends for a meal? Or litter pick your community? Prayer walk your village? Sit at park and worship?

How is God leading you to be His hands and feet?

Today is Third Sunday, as such the Youth Team are hanging out with the young people for Youth Sundaes for years 7-13 is happening from from 1-3pm. Come anytime between those hours and enjoy a delicious ice-cream sundae with other young people, and connect with the GBC Youth team.

While there may be some youth away at WCCYM Weekend away, there will still be loads to hang with.



Next week is Palm Sunday, marking the start of Holy Week. Palm Sunday recalls the story in Scripture of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, greeted by people waving palm branches.

It is a reminder for us to welcome Jesus into our hearts and to be willing to follow him. It's a way for us to kick off the celebrations of the greatest day in history...

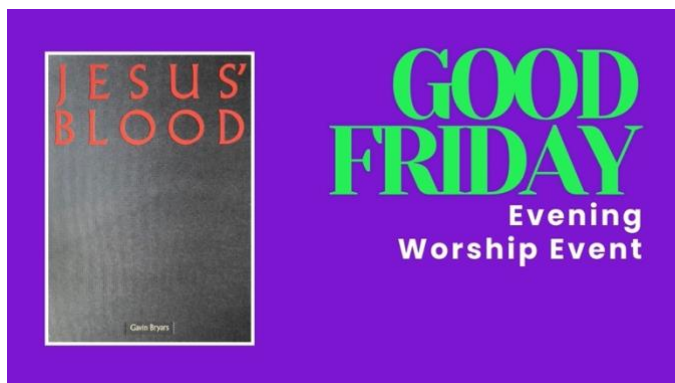


On Thursday 28th March at 6:30 pm we are gathering together for a simple Maundy Thursday service led by Pastor Adrian with worship led by Steve Bresnen, including us gathering around the communion table. Following our simple service, we will be gathering for a delicious fellowship meal. Invite your friends and come join us for a great service.



Good Friday is a simple reflective service on Friday the 29th of March at 10:00 am, with worship led by Will Makower, and Mike Roberts taking the service.

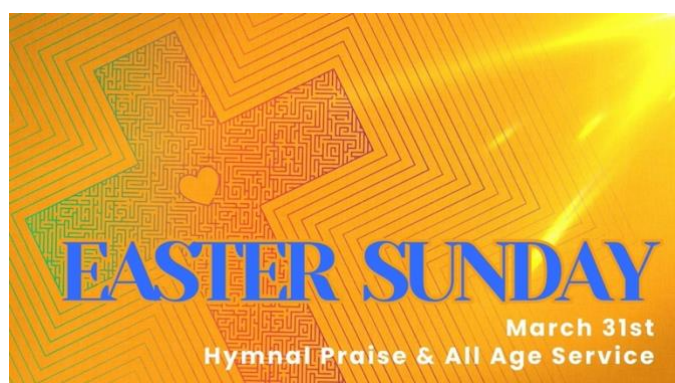
What's so good about Good Friday? Come join us and find out!



On Friday March 29th at 7:00 pm we will be hosting an alternative event of meditative and contemplative worship focusing on the unfailing love of God as outpoured on us through the blood of Jesus. Featuring a performance of Gavin Bryar's famous musical treatment of a homeless man's rendition of James Black's gospel hymn, 'His Love Never Failed Me Yet.'



Saturday 30th March we will be hosting our Easter Cafe at the Backroom Cafe from 10:00-4:00. We will also be hosting a Prophetic Painting Workshop from 10:30-3:00. Create and give art while learning with Christ Duffett. It will be a hands-on training workshop using watercolour paints, pencils, pens and pastels. There is no cost, but you need to book in online on churchsuite.

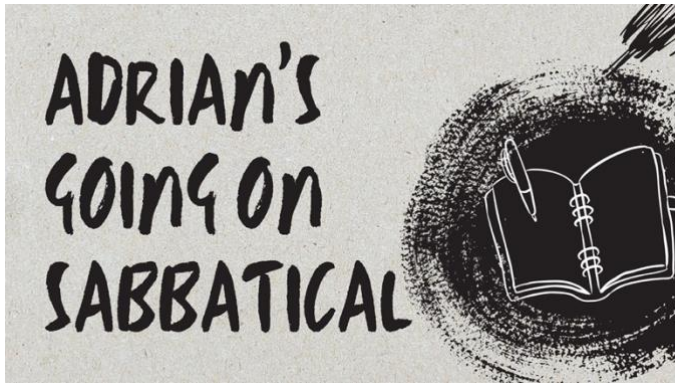


The GREATEST day in history, Resurrection Sunday, will be celebrated on Sunday 31st March. We will be gathering for our regular Hymnal Praise service, and then gathering for an all age service at 10:45. It will be a morning, filled with celebrations, all around what makes us Christians. Invite some friends, and come celebrate this historic day.



On Easter Sunday, not only are we celebrating Jesus still being alive, but we will be celebrating members of the GBC family who have decided to get baptised, WOOOHOOO!

If you haven't yet been baptised, but would like to be, please get in touch with adrian@gbchurch.org.uk asap.



'As you all know I will be going on Sabbatical from April-June. I am so thankful for the amazing team that have all things in hand to cover my absence, and beyond. I want thank you all, for the continued support and prayers. I am equal measures expectant and nervous about my time away, and truly appreciate your continued prayers.'

- Pastor Adrian



As you know, one of the big outreaches we have as a church family is the Need Project Hub, which is part of the Gamlingay Food Project and we need your help. Can you commit to giving *at least* 2 cans of food every week? Be it canned meat, veg, beans, soup, custard? We *really* need everyone's help, as the need is rising.

What do you think, can you 2-Can?



At GBC we believe that Small Groups are an essential part of our journey and discipleship as Christian brothers and sisters. There are 5 different small groups to choose from, two online and three in person

Thursday Evening - 7:30 pm - The Backroom Cafe

You can join Sarah and Mike who lead this small group at the Backroom Cafe. Simple refreshments will be available.

2nd & 4th Saturday Morning - (Ladies Only) - 10:00 am -

The Backroom Cafe

You can join Linda who leads this grouping the Backroom Cafe.

Tuesday Morning - 10:30 am - Online Zoom
You can join Sally who leads this small group by following [this link](#).

Tuesday Evening - 8:30 pm - Online Zoom
You can join Amanda and Adrian who lead this small group by following [this link](#).

Wednesday Evening - 7:30 pm - The Backroom Cafe
You can join Emily and Zac who lead this small group at the Backroom Cafe. Simple refreshments will be available.



For parents with under 3's, we have our Nurture Space located in the Backroom Cafe. A space with toys and rugs for the little ones, as well as comfortable seating, hot drinks, and snacks.

There is also a live feed to the service, so you don't have to miss a thing.



At our 10:45 service we have a specific group for our 3-11's. Part way through the service, after sung worship, our children's team will take the GBC Kids out for age-appropriate games, stories, crafts, and snacks, all related to the bible so that the children can grow their faith in Jesus.



At our 10:45 service we have a specific group for our 11-18's. Part way through the service, after sung worship, our youth team will take the GBC Youth out for age-appropriate activities for them to grow in their faith in Jesus.



The best way to keep up to date with all that is happening at GBC, is to join the mailing list. You can do this by simply emailing connect@gbchurch.org.uk or you can head to our website and click the next steps icon on the bottom right-hand corner and click on 'I'm New.'

Following that, you will have access to our ChurchSuite database, and can even download the free app, to have all contact information and communications available easily, at your fingertips. Be sure to keep your information up to date.



At GBC we firmly believe in the power of prayer, and as such, have a prayer chain of members of the fellowship, ready to be praying for all requests that come in.

If you are in need of prayer, simply email prayer@gbchurch.org.uk or head to our websites and follow the next steps icon on the bottom right hand corner, and then click on 'I'd like some prayer.'



As a Baptist Church we are *fully* funded by tithes and offerings of the congregation. If you are led to partner with us in all that God is doing at GBC, there are several ways you can give.

1. You can give by direct debit. Get in touch with Sally our treasurer, and she can give you all the details
2. You can give online: gbchurch.org.uk/giving
3. You can give in person at the end of service either by putting an offering in the basket on the way out or using the new contactless card reader. Simply tell us how much and tap away.

In addition, if you are eligible for gift-aid, you can fill out a form by visiting gbchurch.org.uk/giftaid We are very thankful for all your support, as we continue to follow God in all the things He is calling us to.