

EBA Prayer Focus: The Church in Great Notley

In 1994, a vision for an ecumenical church emerged from a women’s prayer group and thanks to a gift of land from Countryside Properties, The Church at Great Notley is making an impact in this Essex garden village. The church is an ecumenical partnership between the Baptist Union, Church of England, Methodist Church and the United Reformed Church and is also in association with the Roman Catholic Church.

Please pray for:

- Discernment as the leadership explore the possibilities for a seekers course
- Rev Rachel Prior as she settles into the work at Great Notley
- The fellowship as it continues to re-open and reach its local community

Walton Parish Nursing

- Please continue to pray for Lorna, John and the volunteers, trustees and management team.
- Pray for Lorna and the family. Her Mum went to be with the Lord recently.
- Give thanks for the restart of Chair-Based Exercises and Well-Being Group.
- Please pray for arrangements for the annual Thanksgiving Service in October.

This and That

- Continue to pray for protection for the Christians in Afghanistan as the Taliban increase their grip on power.
- Pray for children we know who have restarted the new school year, particularly those who have started school or are moving to a new one.
- Pray for Josh Hunt as he starts a new school year at Felixstowe School
- Pray for Town Pastors as they restart patrolling in the next few weeks that plans will run smoothly.

MRBC

- Please pray for arrangements for the repair of the ceiling which we will consider in the forthcoming Church Meeting on 21st September.
- Pray for those in the fellowship who are unwell at present.

September Birthdays
13th Steve L, 20th Jayden S, 24th Sandra S,
25th David B.

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Welcome to Maidstone Road Baptist Church

Sunday 12th September 2021
The Sunday Morning Service

Leader and Speaker: *Mark Reid*
 A live service in church @ MRBC

This week	
Sunday 12th September	10.30am Communion Service - Live at Maidstone Road Speaker - Mark Reid
Monday 13th September	
Tuesday 14th September	7.30pm Leadership Team Meeting
Wednesday 15th September	10.00am and 11.30am Chair-Based Exercise - MRBC
Thursday 16th September	9.30am Felixstowe Morning Group restarting at 9 Treetops
Friday 17th September	
Saturday 18th September	
Sunday 19th September	10.30am Sunday Morning Service - Live at Maidstone Road Speaker: Mark Reid



A SPECIAL CHILD

This week Mark starts a new series on **John the Baptist**.

Got a notice for the Sheet?

Fellowship prayer requests go to **Steve** by **Friday morning**
 Notices for the weekly sheet to **Lisa R** by Friday evening.

Church Website:
mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk

UPCOMING EVENTS

Regular Activities

Because of the constraints placed on us by the Coronavirus pandemic, the only Church activities running at present are those listed in the Weekly Sheet

Forward Notice.

The next Church Meeting will be on Tuesday 21st September at the Church, 7.30pm.

Forward Notice

Walton Parish Nursing Celebration Service

Sunday 17th October
@ Seaton Road Methodist Church
3.00pm

Speaker - Revd. Nick Swanson

Refreshments available after the service

Sunday Activities for children

We are reviewing what children's activities we could provide from September onwards, we have very few adults able to help at the moment.

If you would like to help with children's activities, either on a Sunday or perhaps as a once a month special on a different day, please let Mick Warner know.

In the meantime, colouring pages and puzzles are available for children during the service at the front of the church.

Walton Parish Nursing Contacts

Lorna Bellamy	07969901001	Tues/Weds/Thurs 9.00 am - 4.00 pm
John Gillett	07909888703	Tues/Thurs 8.30 am - 4.30 pm

REGULAR STUFF

Leadership Team – usually monthly first Tuesday.
Next Meeting – **Tuesday 5th October** at 7.30pm

Church Meeting – usually bi-monthly third Tuesday.
Next meeting - **Tuesday 21st September** at 7.30pm. (At Church).

Prayer Meeting – monthly on first Saturday
Next Meeting – **2nd October at 9.30am** (At Church)

Felixstowe Morning Group

Restarting on **Thursday 16th September** at **9.30am.**
Venue - 9 Treetops

Resumption of Face to Face Services

We shall be meeting in the main church. However, with Covid still raging we are going to retain the following health measures:

SANITISE HANDS

We ask you to use hand sanitiser as you enter the building.

USE A MASK

We ask you to use a mask indoors particularly when standing, but feel free to take it off when sitting down. We are allowed to sing.

MAKE SPACE

Our seating is still spaced out in the church. There is still a need for distancing, so bear this in mind particularly standing around and circulating after the service.

MAKE THE MOST OF FRESH AIR

All the windows will be open to gain maximum ventilation, so bring a jumper if it's a bit chilly. Feel free to take your refreshments and conversation outside after the service.

Small Groups

Felixstowe Afternoon Group (Margaret Lines/Ingrid Fenn)	Fridays Fortnightly (not currently meeting) See opposite for more details.
Trimley Evening Group (Andrew Marfleet)	Mondays Fortnightly (not currently meeting)
Old Felixstowe Daytime Group (Steve Lineham)	On a Summer Break Contact Steve L for details.
Felixstowe Morning Group (Brian and Dot Salway)	9.30am @ 9 Treetops

HARVEST SERVICE

with BMS "I will stand" theme, **26th September, 10.30am**

We hope to have a small Harvest display at the front of church, to give thanks for God's provision and remember others in need.

Our harvest gifts (tins and packets only) will be going to the residents of **Sanctuary Supported Housing and Access Community Trust**. Please bear in mind that these are mostly young single people so **small packets and tins** are usually more useful than large amounts.

Items to include would be **tinned or jar 'meat-based' meals (e.g. tinned stew, pies, meatballs, chicken curry), tinned tuna or ham, hearty soups, beans with sausages, tinned veg, dried pasta or noodles with sauce, tinned tomatoes, coffee, tea, cereals, instant mash and tinned fruit. Toiletries are helpful (deodorant, antiperspirant, shower gel, toothbrush & toothpaste, sanitary products etc)**. Sometimes they need to provide bedding items, so **monetary donations** can be put together to help them, **if you would prefer** to contribute in that way.

This year due to COVID health & safety **please do not bring perishable food**. In addition, to minimise surface contamination when arranging the display it would be helpful if Harvest gifts are brought in **advance on Sunday 19th September**. Gifts can be left in the church lobby when exiting the building. If it's not possible to bring gifts in advance you can bring them with you on the morning of the Harvest Service (Sunday 26th October) where anti-bacterial wipes will be available to wipe the items before adding to the display.

Thank you for your support, the residents are always very thankful.

For more information please contact Carol Gambell



Chair-based Exercise

Chair based exercises are resuming in September. If you usually come to these we're having a **social on Wednesday 1st September at 10.30am to 11.30am**. Drinks and scones and chat.

From **September 8th**, classes will resume at the normal times i.e. Class 1 at 10.00am-11.00am and Class 2 at 11.30am-12.30pm.

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KINTSUGI HOPE WELLBEING GROUP

We will be commencing an in-person **Kintsugi Hope Wellbeing Group**, on Thursday afternoons at Maidstone Road Baptist Church. The first session will be on Thursday 30th September starting at 2.30 pm. Each session will last between one and one and a quarter hours. The course will run for 12 weeks although there may be the occasional break for annual leave and Christmas.

Kintsugi is the Japanese art of mending things using seams of gold. This often makes the article more beautiful than it was originally. Likewise with our mental and emotional health. The group will look at areas such as anxiety, depression, self-esteem and other aspects of emotional and mental wellbeing. Find out more at kintsugihope.com



Having run a successful group on zoom we are excited to be able to offer this in person.

Please contact john@waltonpn.org.uk or on 07909888703 for further information or to let us know you would like to come. (I will be on annual leave from 1st September to 20th September but will pick up messages on my return).

John Gillett, Walton Parish Nursing.