

EBA Prayer Focus: Convey Island Baptist Church

Convey Island Baptist Church, was established over 100 years ago on the Essex island in the River Thames. In its history, it had the blessing of planting another Baptist church on the island in the Winter Garden area. The present Minister, Rev Dave McDowell, was Ordained and Inducted as Minister on 27th April 2019. He and is supported by his wife, Jackie, and five deacons. Since reopening, they have seen their church attendance growing with new people coming and continuing to come. The youngest attendee is three years of age and, with two senior citizens aged 92 the fellowship can certainly refer to itself as “all aged.”

Convey Island Baptist Church not only supports its local community. They also look further afield. Since 2013, they have helped Christians in West Bengal, India. Supplying a motorbike to a Pastor, helping build a school/community centre on an island and supplying sewing machines so the community can support itself. Please pray for :

- Jackie, the Ministers wife, who is having surgery.
- For the Church, as it looks to the future and continues to serve its community
- Some of the senior members are suffering from ill health. Pray that they would be strengthened.

Walton Parish Nursing

- Continue to pray for staff volunteers and clients.
- Pray for our exercise classes, Kinsugi Hope, No Labels and Fizzability groups.

MRBC

- Pray for guidance as the church continues the process of moving forward, particularly in seeking a new Pastor.
- Pray that the Lord will provide as we seek to address the shortfall in our funds.
- Continue to pray for those needing to stay at home because of Covid, those in hospital, those unable to attend because of long-term conditions, and those who are unwell.
- Pray that the town events have been a positive witness. Give thanks for smooth running after a break of two years.

National & International

- Please continue to pray for Ukraine as the conflict moves into another phase. Pray for wisdom for world leaders as they try to tackle the issues.
- Pray for those on the ground who are trying to help those who have become trapped in cities under siege. Pray for bereaved families, particularly in the light of recent atrocities.
- Pray for those too who have become refugees. Pray that countries will continue to respond favourably to the refugee crisis.
- Give thanks that the first refugees have safely arrived in Felixstowe.

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Welcome to Maidstone Road Baptist Church

Sunday 10th April 2022
The MRBC Resurrection Sunday Service

Leader and Speaker – Mark Reid
 Online via Zoom or in Church

This week	
Sunday 17 th April	The MRBC Resurrection Sunday Service 10.30am Leader & Speaker: Mark Reid At Church or on Zoom. <i>The Zoom link – it is the same as previous weeks.</i> Meeting ID: 849 9049 7451 Passcode: 636510
Monday 18 th April;	
Tuesday 19 th April	
Wednesday 20 th March	No Chair-based exercise – Resumes Weds 4th May 2.00pm WPN Bereavement Support Group at St Mary’s Church
Thursday 21 st March	
Friday 22 nd April	
Saturday 23 rd April	
Sunday 24 th April	10.30am The MRBC Sunday Morning Service Speaker: Mark Reid At Church or on Zoom



Church Website: mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk

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**

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



Holy Week

The Friday Coffee and Chat sessions will close from Good Friday 15 April 2022 as there seems less need for the sessions now. They can be restarted if circumstances change.



Please pray for Daphne Driver and family following the death of Daphne's husband, Derek, and for the service 3pm at Seven Hills Crematorium April 26th

REGULAR STUFF

Leadership Team – usually monthly first Tuesday.
Next Meeting – **Tuesday 3rd May** at 7.30pm

Church Meeting – usually bi-monthly third Tuesday.
Next meeting - **Tuesday 17th May** at 7.30pm. Meeting ID: 814 1163 1779
Passcode: 023381

Prayer Meeting – monthly on first Saturday
Next Meeting – **TBC** at 10.00am on Zoom

Pastoral Care Team Meeting
Next meeting – **TBC** at 10.30am.
Venue - **MRBC**

April Birthdays

22nd Tim L & Blake S, 26th Sheila R & Eunice W, 28th Pauline N

Felixstowe CAP

You are all invited to a **Celebration and Thanksgiving service** for the Felixstowe CAP debt centre. The service is at 15:00 on **Sunday 8th May at St Mary's Church**. Please join us to hear about and celebrate all that God is doing through the debt centre.

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The **chair-based exercise classes** will be taking a break on **Wednesday 20th and 27th April**. We will **resume on May 4th**. We trust all our clients will have a healthy and blessed Easter.

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

Small Groups

Felixstowe Afternoon Group (Margaret Lines/Ingrid Fenn)	Fridays Fortnightly
Trimley Evening Group (Andrew Marfleet)	Mondays Fortnightly
Old Felixstowe Daytime Group (Steve Lineham)	Meeting every 1 st and 3 rd Wednesday of the month. Contact Steve Lineham for more info.
Felixstowe Morning Group (Brian and Dot Salway)	Please contact Brian Salway for more information.

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Bereavement Support

A new bereavement support group called Hope & Healing is starting on **Wednesday 20th April, 2pm at St Mary's Church** and will take place every third Wednesday of the month. Everyone welcome and refreshments will be provided.

Dementia Awareness Training

Wendy Chard, head of community engagement with Home Instead is now coming to **St Mary's Church in Walton on Wednesday 4th May** to provide some dementia training. The session will commence at 1.30pm and last for three hours. This training is free and open to all. Refreshments will be provided.

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FACE



SPACE



COVID Information

Although the Government have now relaxed the rules a little further, they are still recommending that face coverings be worn in crowded and enclosed spaces. We are aware that several in our fellowship are more cautious than others and we would ask for the time being that we retain the arrangements we had over the past few weeks:

- wear a face covering whilst standing and moving around
- those wishing not using a mask to sit on the right hand side of the church as one enters the schoolroom.