

## Welcome...

Joining us for the first time...? You are very welcome!

During the 11am service our children & young people will enjoy time together with their leaders. **Please collect your children from the upstairs of the Beacon Centre at the end of the service.**

***'In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence.'***

Ephesians 3:12

## Today...

**Sunday 03 May**

9.15am: Morning Communion Service - Becoming Who God Is Forming  
Grow In Confidence | Ephesians 3:1-13 | Chris Brockway

Refreshments will be served between the services

11.00am: Morning Communion Service (as 9.15am)

4.00pm: Alpha Course Group Leader Training

## Next week...

**Live Streaming** - If you can't join us in-person, we'll be live streaming the 11am service on our YouTube Channel: [www.youtube.com/c/ChristchurchBaptistChurch](http://www.youtube.com/c/ChristchurchBaptistChurch)

### **Tuesday 05 May**

2.30pm: Songs Of Praise

7.30pm: Sharing the Journey | Renew: Fitness and Faith

### **Wednesday 06 May**

12.00noon: Study Space Cafe

### **Thursday 07 May**

6.30pm: Connect - Youth Bible Study (10-12+)

7.00pm: Alpha Course Starts

7.00pm: Fruitfulness On The Frontline Course Starts

### **Friday 08 May**

10.00am: Stepping Stones - Parent & Toddler Group

6.30pm: Trailblazers - Friday Kids Club

7.00pm: Sharing the Journey | Create

### **Saturday 09 May**

10.00am: Study Space Cafe

### **Sunday 10 May**

9.15am: Morning Worship - Becoming Who God Is Forming  
Grow In Prayer | Ephesians 3: 14-21 | Chris Brockway

11.00am: Morning Worship (as 9.15am)

1.00pm: Bargates Clean-Up Afternoon

4.00pm: Messy Church

## More news...

**Giving To The Work Of Our Church** - If you would like to give a cash offering for the work of God's Church, the offering bags which will be circulated during our time of worship. We also have a contactless giving point which you can use.

For more information about giving to the work of Christchurch Baptist Church please visit our website where you can also download Standing Order and Gift Aid forms: [www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/giving](http://www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/giving). If you are a visitor with us today, please do not feel any obligation to give.



Scan the QR code to give online via ChurchSuite

## More news...

**Songs Of Praise** - Our next Songs of Praise service will be at 2.30pm on Tuesday 05 May. Do come along and invite your friends and neighbours. Our midweek service is followed by a delicious afternoon tea.

**Alpha Course** - There is still time to sign up or invite people to the Alpha course starting on Thursday 07 May. Alpha is a relaxed, welcoming space where people can ask honest questions and explore faith at their own pace. [Click here](#) to sign up.

**Fruitfulness On The Frontline Course** - With real-life stories, biblical insight, and practical steps, Fruitfulness on the Frontline course will spark your imagination and enrich your sense of wonder at the greatness and grace of the God who invites us to join his glorious work by exploring six expressions of fruitfulness. [Click here](#) to sign up and let us know you will be joining us to build your confidence in the gospel.

**Sharing the Journey | Create** - Our next Sharing the Journey Create Friday evening event will be on 08 May. Come and join us to try the craft activity or if you're not feeling creative, come along to watch & enjoy the refreshments. Please sign up by Tuesday 05 May by [clicking here](#) or contact the church office.

**2026 Week of Prayer** - Our 2026 Week of Prayer begins on Sunday 17 May with an evening of worship and prayer from 7pm followed by various opportunities to pray throughout the week until the Opening Celebrations in The Beacon Centre on 23 May. The Vision and Values that we have as a church family will help shape our prayer times during the week this year, and each day there will be opportunity, in the midst of all the excitement and busyness of this new season, to spend time together in God's presence. More details to come very soon.

**Message From Christchurch Foodbank+** - Good news to thank God for, one of our young care leavers has his forever home, through our + projects we have furnished it, white goods, shown him how to use a washing machine, he has joined our 'Budget and financial resilience' training. He has started to attend our 'Cooking on a budget workshops' and together we are supporting and walking with him on his journey into employment through our projects, his and all journeys begin with 'a tin', they come in for food and we help to empower them to work hard so they no longer need us. 'Alongside' is one of our key value words. Thank you so much for your support, our needs are tinned soup, tinned fruit, pasta sauce jars and tinned meat meals including pies. We are looking for volunteers.

**Bargates Clean-Up Afternoon** - We're partnering in organising and hosting another Bargates clean up afternoon on (Sunday 10 May) between 1pm-3pm. We'd like assistance with general litter picking, weeding, sweeping and cleaning. Nothing will be too strenuous and we're again approaching it as a fun afternoon of action. Please sign up by [clicking here](#) or contact the church office.

## More news...

### Praise God:

- For revealing His mysterious plan of grace, that all people are invited into His family through Christ and for the calling placed on our lives to share the good news with boldness and humility.
- That even in trials and hardships, His purpose is still at work shaping who we are becoming and for strengthening us to stand firm and not lose heart in difficult seasons.
- For all those who faithfully serve on a Sunday and during the rest of the week to make sure our services and all the activities we run happen. Pray that they would know a great blessing and joy in the giving of their time and talents. Pray too for opportunities when we can, individually and as a church family, serve and bless our community.

### Please Pray:

- For Chris Brockway as he shares God's Word with us this morning.
- For the children, youth and their leaders as they enjoy time with each other and explore more of God today.
- For all those attending the Alpha and Fruitfulness On The Frontline courses. Pray too for all the leaders who are running the courses and leading small groups.
- For a deeper sense of identity in Christ, shaped by who God is forming us to be and for spiritual growth individually and as a church family that leads to greater assurance, faith, and confidence in Him.

**Prayer Requests** - If you would like to request prayer at any time, complete the online form on our website [www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/prayer-requests/](http://www.christchurchbaptist.org.uk/prayer-requests/).

## Staff team...

**Rev Chris Brockway** (Team Leader)

**Rev Kay Boulton** (Minister)

**Jackie McGregor** (0-18s Ministry Lead)

**Marie Delgado** (Facilities Lead)

**Julie Dynan** (Administration)

## Creation Care Challenge...



It's a good deal, but will I eat it or end up binning it?