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**Live and online with
CHRIS SHORT &
Simon Grimes**

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ABOUT US



God Loves Everyone

“Slow to anger, abounding in love...” (Jonah 4:2)

This morning is an All-Age Service in which we hope to have fun, learn about the Bible and respond to God’s love for us and for everyone else.

Together we’ll learn about God’s love. God loved Jonah by listening to him even when Jonah hadn’t listened to God and by helping him even when Jonah was disobeying God. God wants us to learn to listen to Him and obey Him because He loves us and knows what’s best for us. Like Jonah that can often take us a long time to learn.

God also loves everyone else. He loves people we don’t love and loves people who don’t always behave lovingly towards us. He knows they need His love in their hearts to make them more loving. God wants us to pray for these people and to tell them about His love. When Jonah did that in Nineveh the people turned back to God.

Jesus also told us to pray for people and be kind even when they are unkind to us. He did it from the cross and wants us to do it too. Jesus is even better than Jonah and wants us to be too.



Next Week (15TH SEPTEMBER)

Nathan Locke from Speak Life will be preaching at the 10am service.

The fortnightly Church Prayer Meeting will be at 6.30pm

BAPTISM



It is hoped that we will be having another Baptismal Service, maybe at the end of September. If this is something you would like to consider, please have a word with our Senior Minister, Chris Short.

STAFF/OFFICE MATTERS

Staff movements for the coming week are as follows

Chris	off Tues		
Colin	off Mon	Phil	at CAP Head Office
Sandra	off Mon pm & Thurs	Jez	in Wed & Fri
Kevin	off Sat	Simon	off Tues
Tim	in Wed & Fri mornings	Julie	in Thurs
Nadine	in Mon & Thurs mornings		

Senior Minister

Chris Short

PA to Senior Minister

Sandra Taylor

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Simon Grimes - Children

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CAP Debt Centre Manager

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- Sun 8 9.30am Prayer Meeting in Chris' Office
10.00am All Age Service with Chris Short and Simon Grimes
- Mon 9 6.00pm Girls Brigade
- Tues 10
- Wed 11 7.00am Prayer Meeting
8.30am Community Fridge
10.00am Vicky Bees
11.30am Thanksgiving Service for Martin King
6.30pm Boys Brigade
- Thu 12 7.30am Prayer Meeting (men only)
Men's Fellowship next meeting 19th September
2.30pm Women's Fellowship with Beryl Hancock
7.30pm Ukraine Prayer Meeting
- Fri 13 10.00am Outreach Prayer Meeting
10.00am Vicky Bees
5.00pm Kids Club
7.00pm Xpect
- Sat 14 10.00am Safeguarding Training - Sandra Taylor & Anna Ingham
- Sun 15 9.30am Prayer Meeting in Chris' Office
10.00am Live and Online with Nathan Locke from Speak Life
6.30pm Prayer Meeting

The Week Ahead

Preaching Engagements *Please remember in prayer*

Jez Taylor Sep 8 Newhaven Baptist Church, 10.30am



Ladies' Prayer Breakfast

Please note date and time - Sat 21st Sept, 9am-10.30am

Speaker: **Claire Short**. Please sign up in the Welcome Centre.

Safeguarding Training

Please sign up in the Welcome Centre for either of these dates:

Saturday 14th Sept 10am-12 noon ; **Tuesday 15th Oct** 7-9pm.

For all Staff, Trustees & Volunteers.



Following last week's notice in the news sheet about the increasing number of middle-Eastern families coming to live in Eastbourne, first of all a big thank you to those of you who responded re the need for furniture, for one of the families in particular. However, the need is often there - any furniture in good condition will be gratefully received as, in this particular case, the family is coming here with virtually nothing in the way of furniture. Please give some thought to this if you are house-clearing or moving and could therefore offer some furniture. Most homes are small, often up a narrow staircase, and the front door is often 75cms wide! Therefore, large furniture is rarely appropriate. Furnishings and small pieces are always appreciated.

Another significant need is the lack of transport to get them from the town centre to the church on Sunday mornings. I see this as an ideal opportunity for people at VBC to befriend a family from another culture, and so the offer of some car spaces would be very welcome. As I said last week, there are now more people than I can get into my car! I'm grateful to have two people to help with transport needs but we still need more - please contact me on networkeb@gmail.com.

And finally, we still have a need for car seats for children. Please let me know.

Many thanks. *Anna Reid*

Week of Prayer

St. John's will be taking part in the World Council of Churches' Week of Prayer from September 16th to 22nd. In preparation, we're hosting an ecumenical prayer session on Zoom, led by Giles Carpenter, for all Eastbourne churches. This will take place on Monday, September 9th, at 5 PM.

Use the following details to gain access to the meeting:

Meeting ID - 847 8751 6879

Passcode - 693333

Girls Brigade

Looking for something fun and fulfilling to do on a Monday evening? Well look no further, 25 girls are needing YOU!

No GB experience needed. We just need 2 people 18+ to help with games and craft (no prep will be required) - one to help with the 5-10 year olds and another to help with the 11-15 year olds. Monday evenings, term time only from 6pm-7.30pm.

For more information, please contact the church office. Many thanks, Jenny



"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us."

1 John 5:14

We have had bad news from Lebedyn in the past few days. Not only has military activity heightened in the area, but the orphanage we are involved in was targeted and hit, resulting in much damage to the building as you can see below.



Thankfully, the children had been removed before the bomb landed and so there were no casualties.

Life is becoming even tougher for our friends in Lebedyn, yet they continue to work to further God's Word and share the hope they have in Him.

Our prayers are needed more than ever, so please continue to pray, especially as the new term begins and all the clubs and activities start up again.

Remember, we meet every **Thursday evening at 7.30pm** where we hear updates from the centre in Lebedyn and pray for the work and for members of the team. God has been good and has answered many of our prayers and the team have acknowledged how much this means to them.

Please try and join us if you can.



PRAYER DIARY 9TH - 15TH SEPT

“Enter his gates with thanksgiving and enter his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.” Psalms 100:4

Monday At the start of the working week, may those who are working offer thanks for employment and for job security. May their working week be blessed and may we all be salt and light to those around us, a witness to Your name and a blessing to others. Praise be to our God and King.

Tuesday May we turn our thoughts and prayers toward those who are sick, incapacitated, in hospital, stressed, or suffering with their mental health. Send Your Holy Spirit to dwell in them and bring healing and health into their lives. You are our Lord, our Jehovah-Rapha, our God of healing.

Wednesday May Your Holy Spirit, Your *paraklētos*, bring comfort to those mourning the loss of loved ones, be they close family or friends. Wrap them in Your arms, show them Your unequalled love, a love which reaches deep within their soul and brings healing to a broken heart.

Thursday Today, we remember Ukraine and the terrible conflict there. Lord, bring peace to that nation, bring healing to its people. As we gather this evening for prayer, bring blessing upon our friends in Ukraine, keep them safe, set Your angels about them to protect and shield them.

Friday As the week draws to a close, we give thanks for the time spent with You, the time in our bibles, the time in prayer, and time spent in meditation on Your word. Bring blessings to the weekend ahead, bless our time spent with families and friends. May we be very conscious of Your Holy Spirit in our hearts and in our lives, prompting, guiding and loving us.

Saturday It’s the weekend, Lord! Give rest to those who have had a busy working week. Bless our doctors, nurses, ambulance personnel, firefighters, police officers, bus drivers, retail workers, cooks, servers, delivery drivers, postal workers and all who are not on a rest day. Give peace and joy to all who have to work today.

Sunday Our Heavenly Father, we thank You for this day and all the people who gather in Your name. We know that where two or three are gathered in Your name, You are in their midst. We pray that You will be with us today. Bless our church, and bless our families, bless our country, and forgive us of our many sins.

“May the LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn His face toward you and give you peace.”

FUEL FOR PRAYER

Flower Ministry

The flowers last week were donated by
Tony & Janet Mottram



Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers delivered to me on Monday - and the accompanying text was so appropriate for me at this time. EB



We were delighted to receive a beautiful bouquet on Monday, a couple of days after celebrating our 67th wedding anniversary. A big thank you to the church family for their love and kindness. J&R S