



*“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”*



*John chapter 13 verses 34, 35*

## **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

10:30am Communion Worship Service  
Eagles and Owls will not meet today as it is half term

**Live at the hall.** For those at the hall, there will be opportunity for and (socially distanced) socialising. Refreshments served at the end of service.

**Live on Zoom** will be open from 10:00 a.m. Afterwards we will, as last week, have the option of joining others in chat rooms of about 4-5.

If you know of anyone outside of KCBC who joins us, please let them know about the recording or alternatively invite them by passing on the Zoom details. If you need help, please contact one of the tech team, who will be delighted to assist you - David B, Darren, Jack, Phil, Nick, Richard

### **Prayer chain**

Nat Bond 01626 366668 email: [natfromfife@gmail.com](mailto:natfromfife@gmail.com)

If you are not on the chain at the moment, would like to put things on the prayer chain or would like to be involved please talk to Nat.



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**Facebook group:** KCBC at home



## Please remember our diary in your daily prayers

### Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February

2:00pm Snowdrops hosted by David and Sheila Hall  
7:30pm Church@prayer – 30 Slanns Meadow

### Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February Shrove Tuesday

9:00am KILTS for helpers  
10:00am KILTS parents/carers

### Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February Ash Wednesday

7:30pm Homegroup meeting at Haytor Drive  
7:30pm Homegroup meeting at Primrose Drive

### Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February

10:30am Friday Outing at the Community Café in Forde Park for time to chat  
please see Christina for more information

### Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February

9:30am Messy Church

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February

10:30am Worship Service  
Eagles and Owls will be meeting this week

## Notes for your diary

- **Keswick in Devon** Five days of Bible teaching, fellowship and worship in Sidmouth from 6-10<sup>th</sup> March 2023. Further details are available from leaflets which are on the table
- Next **Craft and Chatter** Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March starting at 10:30am location to be agreed
- Next **Fellowship Lunch** 12<sup>th</sup> March



**Thank you** to everyone at KCBC who has been praying to discern God's plan for me, and to strengthen me as I explore a call at Barton Baptist Church. They voted (unanimously!) to offer me the position of Associate Minister on Tuesday night and I have been excited to accept. I'm not going anywhere for a while but wanted to say thank you for all your support so far.

*Rose*



## Church@prayer

The church prayer time in January was well attended, and we will continue to extend the invitation to join the leadership for monthly prayer. We start at 7:30 p.m. prompt, and finish by 8:30 p.m. It would be good if you can join us and only one hour to make it manageable for most people. Let us continue to strive to be a people of prayer.

### *From the minister*

Saint Valentine of Rome was martyred on February 14 in AD 269. From ancient sources, we can piece together something of his life. He lived at a time when Christians were persecuted and martyred during the rule of emperor Claudius II. St.Valentine helped those who were being targeted and evangelised in Rome. For this he was arrested, though that didn't stop him sharing his faith. He was put under house arrest with a judge, Asterius. The judge talked with him about Jesus and laid down a challenge. As a test, he brought out his adopted blind daughter. If Jesus is truly divine, he could heal her. St.Valentine prayed and laid hands on her eyes and her vision was restored. He was still condemned to death and a later embellished account states that before his execution, Saint Valentine wrote a note to Asterius's daughter signed "from your Valentine", which is said to have "inspired today's romantic missives".

So St.Valentine's story is now swamped with notions of romantic love. But he was a courageous Christian, putting his life on the line to help the persecuted and spreading the Gospel. So much can swamp our own lives that we lose sight of what really matters with our faith in Christ. So from the swamp, let the story of your faith in action rise out, however insignificant you think it is. St.Valentine may be associated with love hearts, but let us celebrate his true legacy of bold faith in action.

*David*



## *Prayer for Ukraine*



Loving God,  
We pray for the people of Ukraine,  
for all those suffering or afraid,  
that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders,  
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world  
that in this moment of crisis,  
we may reach out in solidarity  
to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways  
so that peace and justice  
become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world.

Amen.



**Thank you** to all those who have continued to donate items.

Here is a link to the latest update from Hugh and the charity  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/298295791133433> (it takes you to our KCBC  
Facebook group)

Helen had a great idea of filling shoeboxes with toiletries which coincidentally is exactly what they are asking for in the latest update...

The warehouse is open the first Wednesday of each month and we hope to go up with a load each month so our next visit will be 1<sup>st</sup> March. Our main collection day will be the last Sunday in the month but we are happy to receive items at any time.

Here is a link to a list of items that would be gratefully accepted,  
<https://www.kcbchurch.org.uk/cms/files/How-to-help.pdf>

If you would like any more information or have anything to donate please talk to me (Sarah) or Nick

## Treasurer's update

At our AGM we reviewed the finances of the church. Looking back to 2022 we saw that over the year our expenditure was just 2% over budget, but was still about £3300 higher than our income. We have set the 2023 budget at £76,450 to cover the normal day-to-day running costs of the church including a further 6 months of funding for Rose our Minister-in-Training. The budget will also cover our outward facing work including KILTS and Messy Church. However, we know our costs for 2023 will be significantly higher than 2022 and with inflation running at over 10%, it is going to be a challenging year financially.

I know everyone is under pressure financially, but please could you prayerfully consider your giving, whether it be by monthly standing order or weekly offering? To reach our budget will cost us about £90 per person per month or £23 per person per week. If you have any queries about these figures, your giving or related matters I am only too happy to help.

On a personal note, I will be standing down as treasurer by July this year after a term of 9 years. Thank you for your co-operation, help and support during this time, which I trust you will also extend to the new occupant of the role.

Even in these financially difficult times we continue to thank God for his provision and for enabling and resourcing us to reach out to the community around us with the good news of Jesus Christ

David Butler, Church Treasurer

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*Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing" 1 Thess. 5:11*



We need to encourage each other. Do you have a Bible verse, poem, passage or song or any of the following? Something you are thankful for. Something that has made you laugh. If you have found something online that would be a good resource for us, please share. If you don't feel comfortable sharing in "person" this may be the way for you to encourage others.

**Sarah**

### How to join the Sunday Service via Zoom'

1. Go onto the internet and type kcbchurch.org.uk
2. On the Home Page in the top right-hand corner is a green bar and on it is written "online service" with an arrow.
3. Click on the green bar/arrow and you'll go straight to the video.
4. Either press play or it will automatically start playing

