

**Bearsden Baptist Church Newsletter - 9th November 2023**  
**Sunday, 12th November 2023 - Remembrance Sunday**  
**10.30 Morning Service - Prayer, our life saver**

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We look forward to welcoming you to our morning service, and hope you will be blessed by your time with us. We will assemble at the church at 10.30 a.m. and walk along to Bearsden Cross for the service of Remembrance. This will be followed by a shorter morning service. We'd love it if you joined us for a chat over a tea or coffee after the service. Refreshments will be served from the hatch in the foyer.

**This week @ BBC**

Sunday 12th November 2023 - 10.30 am

Duty Deacon - Kirsty Buchan

Welcome Team - Rachel McKie, Don McKie, David MacDonald

Crèche - Elaine Bonham, Janet Campbell

Tea/Coffee - Bronagh Ewart, Philip Ewart

Prayer Ministry - Carina Craib, John Craib

Monday 13th November - 9.30 am - Bumps and Bundles

Tuesday 14th November - 12.30 am - Lunchbreak

Wednesday, 15th November - 2 pm - Well-come Café 10:30 am

**Next week @ BBC**

Sunday 12th November 2023 - 10.30 am

Duty Deacon - Peter Candlish

Welcome Team - Sandra Blackstock, Fiona Bradnam, +1

Crèche - Kirsty Carduff, Carina Craib

Tea/Coffee - Catrina Henderson, Iain Anderson

Prayer Ministry - Sheila Crozer, June Grindley

Monday 20th November - 9.30 am - Bumps and Bundles

Wednesday, 22nd November - 2 pm - Well-come Café 10:30 am

## **Weekly newsletter distribution (from later in November)**

We are preparing to change from MailChimp to ChurchSuite for sending our weekly newsletter to you. The transition will happen later this month. You will receive the email in the same way as before; we will just be producing and sending the email using ChurchSuite instead of MailChimp. To ensure that you continue receiving the newsletter, please check in ChurchSuite that your communication preferences (under My Details) are set to "Receive general emails". If you're not yet signed up for ChurchSuite, you can do so at:

<https://bearsdenbaptistchurch.churchsuite.com/embed/addressbook/form>

If you'd like help checking your communication preferences, contact Joe [office@bearsdenbaptistchurch.com](mailto:office@bearsdenbaptistchurch.com) or Peter Martin [peter\\_martin@wycliffe.ch](mailto:peter_martin@wycliffe.ch)

## **PRAYER POINTS FOR ISRAEL & GAZA FROM MEETING ON 8 TH NOVEMBER 2023**

1) Pray for protection

Psalm 42:2 These things I remember as I pour out my soul: how I used to go to the house of God under the protection of the Mighty One with shouts of joy and praise among the festive throng.

- For Israel and her people
- For Gaza and her people
- For innocent civilians against terrorist attacks and missile strikes
- For those in the military – especially those called into the reserves

2) Pray for mercy

Micah 3:2 LORD, I have heard of your fame; I stand in awe of your deeds, LORD. Repeat them in our day, in our time make them known; in wrath remember mercy.

- For mercy from the Israeli government and Hamas leadership
- For the grieving families of those killed especially the children
- That the hostages held in Gaza would be delivered from torture and death

3) Pray for peace

Psalm 122:6-9 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: May those who love you be secure. May there be peace within your walls and security within your citadels. For the sake of my family and friends, I will say, "Peace be within

you.” For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek your prosperity.

- For the peace of Jerusalem
- For those grieving the sudden loss of loved ones and those whose homes have been destroyed
- For a miraculous de-escalation of this conflict, asking for reason to overcome rage and revenge.
- That other nations will be restrained from escalating this situation further
- For effective international peacemaking, seeking diplomacy over warmongering on all sides

#### 4) Pray for the spiritual battle

Jeremiah 47:6-7 Alas, sword of the LORD, how long till you rest? Return to your sheath; cease and be still. But how can it rest when the LORD has commanded it, when he has ordered it to attack Ashkelon and the coast?

- For the spiritual battle raging over Israel and Gaza
- Give thanks that Christ has already won the victory

#### 5) Pray for revelation

Isaiah 49:6 The Lord says: It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

- That Israel would turn to the Messiah they rejected
- That the Palestinians would turn to the Prophet Isa as Messiah
- For the witness of Messianic Jews and Christian Palestinians

### **Message from Rhona Stevens.**

Rhona Stevens is asking if people could donate any unused balls of wool and 500 piece jigsaws (less than 50 cm diameter) for the Well-Come cafe? They could give them to her at church. Also a jigsaw mat? Jigsaws are proving popular with the men! Thank you!

### **Family Friendly Film Night**

Sunday 26 November 3:30 doors open, 4pm-5:45 showing (with a 15-minute break for snacks)The Kidzone team are hosting a showing of The Grinch (PG). This is an event for ALL the church family, not just the children! All children should be with a responsible (ish) adult. Simple snacks and drinks will be provided.

Christmas jumpers, sparkles and Santa hats are encouraged. Volunteers needed! For welcome, snacks, set-up (time to get out all the sparkly lights!) and tidy-up. Come along and bring your friends.

Everyone should book in advance via church suite or using this link: <https://bearsdenbaptistchurch.churchsuite.com/events/0jdgfvpm/>

Contact Isabel at [families@bearsdenbaptistchurch.com](mailto:families@bearsdenbaptistchurch.com) (<mailto:families@bearsdenbaptistchurch.com>) with any questions or to volunteer. Please note, due to serious allergies this will be a strictly NUT-FREE event.

### **Men's Curry/Quiz Night**

A Men's Curry/Quiz Night for those associated with the Church and their friends has been arranged for Friday 8th December at 7pm. The curry will be supplied by Spice Chilli in Bearsden. Please book on Eventbrite as soon as possible to give an idea of numbers, the cost is £12.50 payable on the night. Cancellations can only be accepted until December 3rd, thereafter we will require to commit total numbers to the restaurant.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mens-curryquiz-night-tickets-755691653077?aff=oddtcreator>

### **Caring Christmas trees 2023.**

Bethany Christian Trust will be running a Caring Christmas Tree collection day in BBC on Saturday, 8th December from 10am to 1pm. If you can volunteer to help on the day, please email the office. Further details, including how to order, can be found on the website - <https://www.caringchristmastrees.com/about>

### **ChurchSuite**

Have you signed up for ChurchSuite, our communication platform? The mobile app gives you secure access to our address book (where you can update your own details), events calendar, small groups, rotas, and links to the church website <https://bearsdenbaptistchurch.com> and Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/BearsdenBaptistChurch>).

Register for ChurchSuite here <https://bearsdenbaptistchurch.churchsuite.com/embed/addressbook/form>

It's a two-step process, and includes a link to download the mobile app once your registration has been processed.



Please feel free to attach a card to the Christmas tree in the church sending to everyone.

Donations can be made by Card or Cash.

All donations collected will go towards the work of MAF.

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; Isaiah

9:6