

Dates for your Diary (amendments/ new entries in green)

Fairtrade Fortnight

· Monday 24th February - Sunday 8th March

SWBA Prayer Event

· Sunday 1st March 6.30-7.30pm

Lent Lunches

· Mondays 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd March 12.00-1.30pm - Salvation Army Hall

Safeguarding training (for those who have booked):

· Saturday 7th March - Minehead

Vale of Gordano Valley Church visit to Watchet

· Saturday 7th to Sunday 8th March

Inspire Evening

· Thursday 12th March - St James's Church, Taunton

EQUIP: A guide to personal spirituality

· Saturday 14th March

Lee Abbey local churches service: · Sunday 15th March 5.45pm - Lee Abbey

Deacons' Meeting: · Monday 16th March 6.00pm

40 Hour Prayer Weekend: · Friday 20th to Sunday 22nd March

Church AGM: · Monday 23rd March 7.00 for 7.30pm - The Sanctuary

Deacons' Awayday · Saturday 28th March

Spring Harvest Social Action Afternoon · Wednesday 15th April

Holiday Club · Thursday 16th April - KT School

Deacons' Meeting · Monday 20th April 6.30pm

Sanctuary Management Team Meeting · Wednesday 13th May 10.30am

South West Awake! · Saturday 30th May 2.00 to 2.30pm

EQUIP: A guide to discipling and being disciple · Saturday 6th June

SWBA/ PFS Course: Preaching Skills · Saturdays 13th June and 11th July

Watchet Summertime - Sunday 16th to Saturday 2nd August

40 Hour Prayer Weekend: · Friday 23rd to Sunday 25th October

Sunday Mornings Rota

	1/3	8/3	15/3	22/3	29/3
Welcome	Lynne Rina	Helen Robin	Lorraine Paul	Lynne Rina	Sally John B
Hall Set-up and Tidy-away	Chrissie Andy	Helen Robin	Paul Duncan	Andy Antony	Matt Tom L
Kitchen	Christopher	Sally John B	Iorwerth Lis	Christopher Ros	Sally John B



Welcome to Watchet Baptist Church

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Sunday 1 March 2020

Sun 1	10.30am 6.00pm	Morning Worship @ KT School Sunday Evening Prayer including SWBA Prayer Event (6.30 - 7.30pm)
Mon 2	9.15am 12.00 3.00pm 7.30pm	Monday Morning Prayer Lent Lunch @ Salvation Army Hall Friendship Group Open Doors Prayer Meeting
Tues 3	3.00pm	Umbrella Group
Wed 4	9.45am 1.00pm 3.00pm	Holy Communion Service WSAB Housing Advice (by appointment) Friendship Group
Thurs 5	9.30am	Community Employment Hub
Fri 6	10.00am 2.00pm 2.00pm 5.00pm 7.00pm	Art at the Sanctuary World Day of Prayer Service @ Salvation Army Jews for Jesus Prayer Meeting Community Meal World Day of Prayer service
Sat 7	2.00pm	Vale of Gardano Valley Church Youth visit Safeguarding Training (for those who have booked) - Minehead Write Away!
Sun 8	10.30am 6.00pm	Vale of Gardano Valley Church Youth visit Morning Worship @ KT School Sunday Evening Prayer

All at The Sanctuary unless otherwise stated.

Roads for Prayer:
Watchet: Werren Close
Williton: Whitecroft

Happy Birthday!
Sunday 1st: Paul M

Sunday 1 March 2020

Lent Lunches

These start on **2nd March** and take place **12.00-1.30pm** at the **Salvation Army Hall on Mondays throughout Lent**. This is a time of gathering and sharing and everyone is invited so if you are able to go, please do! Each week a different church prepares and serves the food. WBC is doing this on **16th March** and we **need volunteers** to make soup beforehand and serve food and tidy up on the day. If you are able to help please let Mavis know. Thanks!

World Day of Prayer Services in Watchet

The World Day of Prayer takes place on **Friday 6th March** and this year it has been prepared by women from Zimbabwe. There will be a service at the **Salvation Army Hall at 2.00pm** and one at the **Sanctuary at 7.00pm**, following the community meal. For further details please see Olive.

Visit of Gordano Valley Church Youth: Sat 7- Sun 8 March

We look forward to welcoming the youth group from GVC (Hannah's church in Portishead) to Watchet on Saturday 7 March for the weekend. All of our young people (11-17s) are invited to join in with activities on the Saturday and sleep over at the Methodist Church hall. The whole group will then join us for worship on the Sunday morning. More info from Ruth/ Andy/Jess/ Neil

Inspire Evening 'Growing Faith – household, church & school'

With his 'Diocese Go Team' hat on, Andy is organising a series of 'Inspire' evenings, one of which will be held on **Thursday 12 March, 7-9pm** at **St James Church Taunton**. There'll be a 'market place' of resources and ideas, opportunity to chat with leaders from other churches and to listen to a series of 5 minute talks from a variety of speakers. The event will explore the *Growing Faith Adventure* and aims to inspire those journeying with children and families in church, school and the home. <https://www.bathandwells.org.uk/event/inspire-evening-all-things-growing-faith-3/>

WBC EQUIP DAY- Saturday 14th March

Our next EQUIP Day, looking at Personal Spirituality is taking place at the **Sanctuary on Saturday 14th March**. **Please make a note in your diary and come if you can!** The day is being led by Barbara Carpenter, from Lee Abbey. It promises to be a helpful and insightful day as we seek to develop as disciples of Jesus and everyone in the church is invited!

Fairtrade Fortnight: 24 February – 8 March

Calling all chocolate fans and fighters for fairness! Fairtrade Fortnight is back! Raising awareness of injustice amongst the world's poorest people and helping ensure farmers are paid fairly for their work and able to earn a living income. This year's campaign focuses on chocolate and the special role women farmers play. Meet some truly inspiring women from Côte d'Ivoire and Sierra Leone who want their stories to be heard in the UK. Find out more at www.fairtrade.org.uk or check out the info at The Sanctuary.

As a 'Fairtrade Church' we have committed to using Fairtrade tea and coffee products at our events and activities, and to raising awareness of products that are available. Have you considered lately where the things in your shopping basket come from and how they've been produced? Choosing the Fairtrade mark is one way of making sure the things we buy are fairly traded and that farmers overseas get a fair deal. Look for the Fairtrade logo on chocolate, bananas, flowers, sugar, nuts and various clothing products as well as the familiar tea and coffee. And look out for special promotions in our local Co-op shops and other larger supermarkets.

Lee Abbey Local Churches Service

The next Lee Abbey service for local churches takes place on **Sunday 15th March at 5.45 pm**. Barbara Carpenter, Acting Warden at Lee Abbey, will be preaching at our morning service, having also led the Equip day the day before so it should be a good weekend! If you would like to go to the service, please let Mavis know so that she can give them the number of those planning to go.

Church AGM

This takes place at **7.30pm at the Sanctuary on Monday 23rd March**. It will include an **election of deacons** and you should receive an email shortly to begin the nomination process. There will also be an email to **organisers of groups or activities**, asking you to write a short report of the last year, so please look out for these.

Home Groups/ TIDE Groups

Our church runs a number of smaller midweek groups to enable us to learn, pray and grow together as disciples of Jesus. If you would like to know more about these groups please talk to Mike.

