

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

Fairtrade Fortnight

· Monday 24th February - Sunday 8th March

Pancakes at The Sanctuary

· Tuesday 25th February 5.00-6.30pm

SWBA Prayer Event

· Sunday 1st March 6.30-7.30pm

Lent Lunches

· Mondays 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd March - 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



Welcome to Watchet Baptist Church

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Sunday 23 February 2020

Sun 23	10.30am	Morning Worship @ KT School
	4.00pm	BMS Café @ Taunton Baptist Church
	6.00pm	Sunday Evening Prayer
Mon 24	9.15am	Monday Morning Prayer
	3.00pm	Friendship Group
Tues 25	3.00pm	Umbrella Group
	5.00-6.30pm	Pancakes at the Sanctuary!
Wed 26	10.30am	Forget Me Not Café
	1.00pm	WSAB Housing Advice (by appointment)
	3.00pm	Friendship Group
	6.00pm	Youth Music Group
Thurs 27	9.30am	Community Employment Hub
	2.30pm	Service @ Croft House
Fri 28	10.00am	Art at the Sanctuary
	5.00pm	Community Meal
Sat 29	7.30pm	Pilgrim's Progress @ St Andrew's Church Wiveliscombe- see inside
Sun 1	10.30am	Morning Worship @ KT School
	6.00pm	Sunday Evening Prayer

All at The Sanctuary unless otherwise stated.

**Sunday
Mornings
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	23/2	1/3	8/3	15/3	22/3
Welcome	Lis Sally	Lynne Rina	Helen Robin	Lorraine Paul	Lynne Rina
Hall Set-up and Tidy-away	Matt Tom L	Chrissie Andy	Helen Robin	Paul Duncan	Andy Antony
Kitchen	Lis Sally	Christopher Erica	Sally John B	Iorwerth Lis	Christopher Ros

Roads for Prayer:
Watchet: Wedlakes
Williton: Watery Lane

Happy Birthday!
Sunday 1st: Paul M

BMS Café

Taunton Baptist Church are hosting a 'BMS Café' this afternoon at 4.00pm. This will be an informal and relaxed event at which you can learn more about the worldwide mission of BMS. More details available from Mavis.

Pancakes at The Sanctuary

Watchet Wednesday Tide Group are organising a Pancake Event at the Sanctuary on **Shrove Tuesday, 25th February, 5.00 to 6.30pm**. Pancakes galore with a variety of toppings so come for a treat if you can! And bring a friend or two! All proceeds to Christians Against Poverty. Please see Dorothy

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 **9th 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!

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/>

Please note that **Mike will be on retreat throughout the coming week** and will not be available for contact.

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.

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!

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.

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