



QUEENS ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

where disciples of Jesus Christ grow together

"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. Isaiah 43:18-19

Called to Serve...Deacon

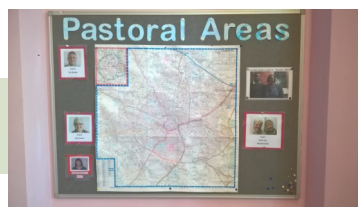
From the very early days of the Christian church a need was recognised for people to take responsibility for the day to day administration in the fellowship to release the Ministers (in their case, Apostles) to devote their time to prayer and preaching the word of God (Acts 6:1-7). These people were called Deacons (from the Greek word *Diakonos*, a servant). Although they were set apart for practical tasks, Deacons were chosen in light of their spiritual lives. Our church Constitution provides for the appointment of twelve Deacons to serve by running the church and supporting the Ministry Team. Each Deacon is elected for a three-year term and, to give continuity of leadership, a

third of the total are appointed each year. This election is held during the AGM, and each candidate must receive the support of at least 50% of those members present and voting to be elected. If there are more candidates than vacancies, those with the highest numbers of votes will be appointed. If otherwise eligible, a retiring deacon may be re-elected to serve for a further term.

In recent years, with the rapid growth of the charity sector, legislation has been drawn up to encourage good governance and public confidence, and QRBC was registered as a charity in 2009.

As those responsible for the day-to-day management of the organisation, the Deacons (together with the Minister and Church Officers) are recognised in law as the Managing Trustees of the church, and this brings with it certain requirements and obligations.

The next election will be held in March and, because two of the serving Deacons will not be standing again, we will need to appoint at least two new people to this important role. Please therefore give this your prayerful consideration. Further information is available from Jan Fisher.



who they are and make yourself known to them. Each PAL works with a small team, visiting the sick and vulnerable, sometimes taking communion to them, and visiting others at special times like births and bereavements. All this is an expression of God's love and helps people feel part of the Church Family. Please pray for our PALS (A – Jim Barber; B – Collins and Susan Chabala; C – Ruth Jess and Brenda Heath; D – Angela Montgomery; E – Kay Hamer).

PASTORAL CARE @ QRBC

This week our Pastoral Area Leaders meet. Who are they? you may ask. Well, it is important to us that everyone who is part of our church feels cared for by the love of Jesus expressed in human form – from Food-bank guests to the Senior Fellowship, from the Family Work 'families' to members of the morning and evening congregation, those who are part of home groups within the church and those who are not. In order to care for everyone who worships with

us we have a group of people called Pastoral Area Leaders (PALS).

There is a map of Coventry and Warwickshire in the Church Vestibule which is divided up into 'slices of cake', and each PAL has a segment. Some are larger than others if it is not heavily populated with Queen's Road folk and other segments are smaller. Alongside are photos of each PAL on a poster, so if you're not sure who your PAL is do go and see the poster, find out

18th February 2018

Morning Worship including communion in the Large Hall: Led by Rev Graham Banks

Morning Worship including communion in the Chapel: led by Gill Barber

Evening Worship: Led by Rev Graham Banks

The Chapel has a hearing loop system – you can access it by sitting centrally downstairs.

News sheets and Songs/Hymns are available in LARGE print – please speak to a steward

Prayer ministry is available in the chapel following both services.

Coffee will be served after each service. Please feel welcome to stay and chat.

Want to know more about what goes on at QRBC? Then visit www.qrbc.co.uk

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Next Sunday: 24th Feb 2018

10.30am Morning worship led by Rev Graham Banks

6.30 pm "Café Style" Led by Rev Graham Banks

Prayer Focus

But now, GOD's Message "Don't be afraid, I've redeemed you. I've called your name. You're mine. When you're in over your head, I'll be there with you. When you're in rough waters, you will not go down. When you're between a rock and a hard place it won't be a dead end- Because I am GOD, your personal God, The Holy of Israel, your Saviour. Isaiah 43: 1 -3a (The Message)

Personal Focus: Thank God for redeeming us, saving us and being with us when we walk through different situations. God can fulfil our heart desires as we accept Him with whole heart.

QRBC: Pray for those members who live alone- for security and peace of mind to surround them each day.

Coventry Focus: Remember in your prayers the members of the emergency services as they are so vital to our city.

International: Continue to pray for the Winter Olympics that peace will surround them all and they will be a lasting memory of joy for all who attend.

Please contact: John Jesudason (7626 9283) or John Pither or Jenny Young to include items for Prayer Focus



COMMUNION

We welcome all who love Jesus as their Lord and Saviour to join us around His table. Bread free from gluten, milk and wheat is available – please ask; the “wine” is red grape juice.

This week the children can go out to age appropriate groups (at 11am to be collected at 12noon), please ask a steward where to go if you are unsure. Our next All Age Service will be March 11th.

HAVE YOU CHECKED YOUR PIGEON HOLE?

Please would you check the pigeon holes in the Chapel vestibule as there is correspondence left there for church members on a regular basis. Thank you.

GREEN KEY PEG AUDIT

If you hold a green key peg, Helen will be contacting you via letter to ascertain the key number that you hold and if you require the peg any longer. If you have not received a letter please contact Helen via the office.

Date for your Diary:

Women's World Day of Prayer:
Friday March 2nd 11am
Warwick Road United Reformed Church
All welcome

THANK YOU

To all those at February's church meeting who took away the chocolate cake to support the work of Foodbank at QRBC, the good news is that it has been turned into 60 tinned cans of tomatoes!

CAFÉ STYLE



On the 25th February our Cafe Style service will be the first in the Nooma series by Rob Bell. The first topic is entitled 'Breathe'.

Rob has this remarkable ability to look at subjects from a very different perspective and thus really grab your attention.

The evening will consist of a video of around 10-15 minutes and then an opportunity to discuss together with the wonderful accompaniment of nibbles tea or coffee!

Do come along to what promises to be a great time together.

NEWS SHEET - Dates for submissions Wednesday 21st February 2018 Please email admin@qrbco.uk or leave in box in Reception. Please note the News sheet is published on the website so please do not ask for anything you would not wish to be published in this way. PRAYER CHAIN It is important that prayer requests made by email are sent to:

prayerchain@qrbco.uk . Requests can also be received by telephone during office hours on 024 7652 0621. Requests may take longer to circulate when the office is closed