



# 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*

## Why is this Night Different from All Other Nights?

That is the question asked by the youngest child every year as Jewish families gather to celebrate the Passover. And each year it is the prompt to tell again the story of their ancestors' slavery in Egypt and how God brought them out. God's powerful act of salvation is remembered, retold and re-enacted so that each generation may know that it is the Lord who saves.....not just a past event, but as if it is right now, for them.

It was most likely the Passover meal that Jesus and His disciples were sharing on the night before He was crucified. A dip, herbs and bread were shared, and wine passed around.....all heavy with meaning and history, with fear and expectation. It's in to this meal that Jesus brings the astounding revelation

that the bread and wine are representing His body and blood which are to be broken and poured out so that everyone would be able to share in the freedom and salvation that God wanted to bring.

All powerful stuff!

On **Maundy Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 6.00-8.00pm** there will be time to come together to discover more links between the Jewish Passover and the Lord's Supper and share in some of the traditions and prayers and discover how they link with the Last Supper Jesus shared with his disciples on this night.

There will be a roast lamb dinner, prayers, songs, readings from the Bible that link the stories and, hopefully,

a fresh understanding of the significance and meaning of the bread and wine as we share together.

It will include time to reflect, learn and worship in a relaxed way. Fun, food and fellowship are the order of the day!

**For catering purposes it is essential that you have signed up** and paid the £8 to cover the cost of the meal. If you don't wish to eat the meal you are very welcome to come and share in bread and wine.



## Rewind to Easter 2018

This year we have three schools with nearly 200 year 5 pupils visiting us on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March. They will have the challenge to become 'tomb detectives' and discover for themselves the answer to a number of (allegedly) unsolved mysteries surrounding Jesus's death.

After a re-enactment of Palm Sunday, the children will (in groups of 5/6) visit different characters and locations to interrogate the prime suspects and the key witnesses.

They will begin with a visit to

the High Priest Caiaphas at the Jewish temple, who pours all the blame onto others. Next to the Roman Palace to hear what Pilate has to say. A new character for this year will be Penitent Peter, who will be warming his hands on the fire in the high Priests courtyard. Here the children will get an opportunity to ask Peter about guilt and forgiveness. We have to stretch the chronology of Peter hanging around in the courtyard for so long, especially after the resurrection!! They will then go and ask the Disciples for their eye witness

account of what really happened.

Finally, one very nervous disciple will lead them to the empty tomb for them to draw their own conclusion and think about how they might feel personally about all of this.

Do pray for the team and the children as well as the teachers that they might be powerfully impacted by this fantastic opportunity to share the gospel in a really creative way. Oh, and do come and help if you have any free time.

Graham Banks

25th March 2018

Morning 10.30am:

Chapel David Depledge

Large Hall Rev Graham Banks

Mark 11:1-18, 14:43-50

Evening 6.30pm Café Style

Rev Graham Banks "Open"

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](http://www.qrbc.co.uk)

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Next Sunday: Easter Day

8am Easter Communion

10.30am All Age Service

Rev Graham Banks

Please note: No evening service.

## Prayer Focus

He himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. "By His stripes you are healed." 1 Peter 2:24

**Personal Focus:** Thank Jesus's sacrifice, dying on the cross for us and giving us the righteousness that we do not deserve. Pray this week especially for one of your close friend or family member to be healed.

**QRBC:** Pray for the school children participating in the Rewind to Easter programme. Pray for all the people who are involved in Rewind to Easter. Pray for and participate in the Maundy Thursday Passover meal. Pray for the interactive Easter programme on Good Friday.

**Coventry Focus:** Pray for the Coventry Churches walk witness this week on Good Friday to proclaim Christ in the city. Pray also for all the scriptures and Gospel messages shared during this Easter time.

**International:** Pray for the Florida International University students shook by the bridge collapse incident where six people died and many injured. Pray for the safety of the school girls in Nigeria. Thank God for the safe return of recently kidnapped girls. Pray that officials may take right actions to prevent future kidnappings.

Please contact: John Jesudason or John Pither or Jenny Young to include items for Prayer Focus

### WHAT IS HAPPENING THIS MORNING?

In January we decided to have a trial of having 2 simultaneous Communion Services once each month in the morning. Today is the second such occasion. In the Chapel there will be a service where Communion is served to the pews by Deacons as has been our practice for many years. In the Large Hall the service will involve the congregation serving each other and perhaps sharing a word and/or a prayer together. If you are reading this thinking you are not in the place you want to be, please feel free to move.

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**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY ACTIVITIES** This week, whether you have chosen to worship in the Chapel or the Large Hall, the children can go out to age appropriate groups (at around 11am to be collected at 12noon). Please ask a steward where to go if you are unsure.

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**REWIND TO EASTER** Our programme for Year 5 school children is fully booked. There is still opportunity to be involved on Tuesday and/or Wednesday (27th and/or 28th March). Please contact Graham Banks or the Church Office as soon as possible.

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## Good Friday 30th March

**COVENTRY CHURCHES WITNESS IN HOLY WEEK**—We are invited to share in all or part

10.00 Ecumenical Service at Warwick Road URC

10.45 Walk of Witness from Dresden Place to Holy Trinity Church

12.00 to 3.00 Vigil in Holy Trinity Church

**INTERACTIVE EASTER** (at Queens Road)

2pm-4pm A fun family event exploring Easter. The event includes a Journey Through The Easter Story, Arts & Craft, Hot Cross Buns, Tea & Coffee and Games. There is a special area for babies and the whole event is free.

**REFLECTIVE SERVICE** (at Queens Road)

At 7.30pm, a service for Good Friday led by Gill Barber

**DEACONS** At the Annual Church Meeting last Tuesday and election was held for Deacons. Iain Colville and Anna Grimshaw were elected for a further 3 year term. Sandra Hobley and Angela Montgomery were also elected, Sandra rejoining the Diaconate after a gap of several years while Angela will be serving her first term. Please pray for all the Deacons as they seek to lead us in following God's plan for our fellowship.

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**FROM COVENTRY TO UGANDA** There will be a brief meeting after church today (25th) in the Upper (Youth) lounge for anyone interested in joining the QRBC trip to visit Paul and Christine Kyalimpa in Western Uganda. If you cannot stay (hopefully it will be less than 30 mins)

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**SMALL AD** Piano available free, but must arrange collection. Steck c 1930's, painted white, tuned regularly. Contact John Pither.

**NEWS SHEET** - Dates for submissions Wednesday 7th March admin@qrbc.co.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: prayer-chain@qrbc.co.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