

MAF Flying for Life – Thank you for all your donations for the plants and vegetables in 2018. We were able to send MAF £270. MAF regularly partners with ACROSS, a charity that helps South Sudan’s people by providing education, healthcare and church support. They also work with South Sudanese refugees who’ve fled across the border to Uganda. (Extract from MAF letter – a copy of the letter is on the church noticeboard).
Ann & Roy Hobday

Foodbank – Thank you for your continued support of Norwich Foodbank. The items specifically required at the moment are: *tinned fruit; instant mash; long-life sponge puddings; razors; washing powder/gel and toilet rolls.*

World Day of Prayer - service prepared by Christian women of Slovenia with the theme ‘Come, everything is ready’. Taking place this year on 1 March at 2.00pm at St Matthew’s Church, Telegraph Lane West, Thorpe Hamlet, NR1 4JA. Please speak to Brenda Alden for more information.

Afternoon Tea – Sunday 20 March at Upton Village Hall, to help raise funds to repair the hole in the roof of the parish church. Tickets £10 per head – please speak to Ruth Warner ASAP if you would like to support this event.



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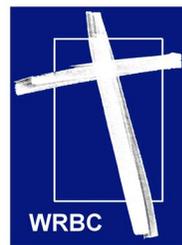
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Sunday 17 February 2019

David T
Steve
Dianne C
David T
Peter & Sue
Sue & Lydia, Ann & Lizzy
Cathy & Marlene
Marion & David D
Anne & Sekela

Sunday 24 February 2019

Steve
Steve
Chrissie
Steve
Noel & Dorothy
Sarah & Mo, Ann & Lizzy
Paula & Margaret
Gozi & Stewart
Pam & ?



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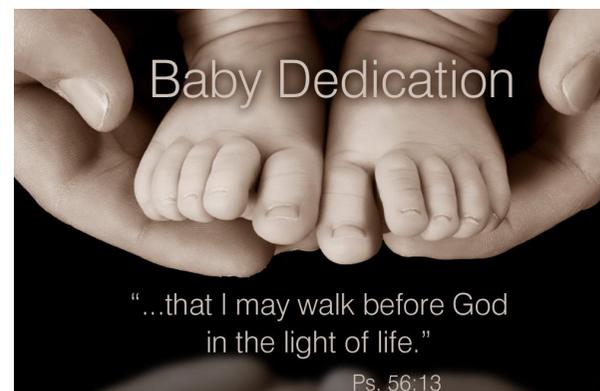
9.45am Pre-service **Prayer** in Conference Room – all welcome.

10.30am **Welcome to our Morning Worship at WRBC!**

Our service today will be led by David Taylor. Our Pastor Steve Thomasson will be bringing the Lord’s Word to us today from Philippians 2:3-11 - **Church with a Heart to Serve.**

We give a warm welcome to friends and family of **Seun & Rachel Owoeye (and Leah)** who have joined us today as they bring their baby son (baby brother) **Lucas Oluwaseun Oweye** to be dedicated.

If you have children who would like to join in the **Sunday School** please speak to one of the Welcome Team. There is a **Crèche** also available in the Conference Room.



Following this morning’s service our **Prayer Ministry Team** will be available for anyone who would like specific prayer.

Please join us for **coffee in the Welcome Area** after the service.

No evening event today

If this is your first time with us we really want to meet you and invite you to take one of our **‘Welcome’** leaflets which will give you more details about us and the various activities which usually take place here during the week.

Offerings - We invite you to place your tithes and offerings in the offering box at the entrance to the Worship Centre. Thank you for your gifts to the Lord's work in whatever manner you make them.

What's on this week?

NB: This is Schools' Half Term Holidays and therefore many of our usual activities will not be taking place

Monday

10.30am The Link
2-3.30pm Foodbank

Thursday

6.30-8.30pm Table Tennis

Saturday

8.00am Men's Prayer

Sunday 24 February 2019

9.45am **Prayer** in Conference Room – all welcome

10.30am **Morning Worship** with our Pastor Steve leading and preaching

12.30pm **Meeting** in the Conference Room for everyone involved in Sunday School and crèche

6.30pm **Testimony, Communion & Healing**



- Praying for our neighbourhood – this week we will be praying for Plumstead Road East
- Please pray for our Youth Team leaders

Special Notices:

New Office Assistant and Opening Hours – We are delighted to announce that Wendy Abel has now started working as assistant in the church office. The office will now be open each morning (weekdays only!).

Lifts to Church – Volunteers still needed for giving people lifts to and from church on Sundays and to Care Groups. Please let the office or Terry know ASAP if you can help.

Meal for Newcomers - or indeed anyone who would like to find out more about membership of WRBC. We would love to share some time with you in a light meal after the service on Sunday 17 March. Please sign up on the sheet in the reception area.

Meeting for Everyone involved in Sunday School and Crèche - 12.30pm in the Conference Room on Sunday 24 February. Please come if you possibly can, however we will make notes and pass these on to anybody not able to make it. In addition we may arrange a follow-up meeting for either the 3 or 10 March also at 12.30pm, so please also consider which of these would be better so that we can organise this for the day that most people can make.

Sunday School – We now have sufficient help for the 3-6 age group but the 7-11's are lacking 2 teachers willing to teach once or twice a month each. Failing that, if you would consider helping on a one-off basis for a couple of dates coming up when we are particularly short of help on 10 March & 7 April - please contact Sarah ASAP.

Baptisms - If you have not been baptised by total immersion and are interested in finding out more, please speak to Pastor Steve.

Lois Conboy – The latest newsletter and prayer update from Lois in Torino is available in the reception area, please help yourself to a copy.

Energy Bills - A great big 'thank you' to everyone who donated money to our energy bills appeal. We received an overwhelming amount of **£625**. This money was donated to the two Premier Stores on Plumstead Road and Watling Road in the Heartsease estate. The way this worked was that customers coming in to top up their energy keys either for gas or electricity would receive a donation of the same amount from WRBC up to the amount of £20 per person. The office received many grateful phone calls and even cards from customers thanking us for the donation and for our kindness and generosity. This is Church in action where we make a difference right here on our doorstep. Hopefully we can pick up this initiative again next winter or even think of other ways to help the poorest in this area. *Chrissie Coe*