

# WITARD ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

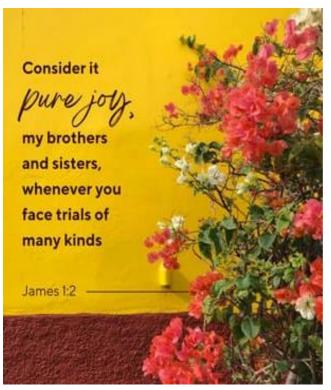
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## Sunday 21 April 2024

**Greetings! Pastor Steve** will lead this morning's service. **Dianne Cruickshank** will be leading the intercessory prayers and **Jacqueline Lilley** will be reading the bible passage. **Pastor Steve** will be bringing the Lord's Word to us today from James 1: 1-18.



Morning Worship is being **live-streamed** at 10.30 am, it will be available on our YouTube channel and can also be accessed any time after. The link has been changed, please ask the office if you would like the updated link.

**Offerings:** We invite you to place your tithe and offerings in the box at the entrance to the Worship Centre. Thank you for your gift to the Lord's work here at WRBC.

Our **Prayer Ministry Team** will be available for anyone who would like prayer following this service. Please join us for tea and coffee in the reception area after the service.

Please join us for **Gathered Prayers** tonight at 6.30 pm in the Conference Room.



#### THIS WEEK:

Foodbank: Monday 2pm - 3.30pm in the Church Hall
Zoe Ladies Group: Tuesday 9.30am - 12.30pm in the Conference Room
Baby Steps: Tuesday 9.30am - 11am in the Church Hall
Little Steps: Wednesday 2 sessions: 9.15am - 10.15am and 10.30am - 11.30am in the Church Hall
Community Café: Thursday 10am - 2pm In the Church Hall
Community Café: Friday 10am - 2pm in the Church Hall
Limitless Film Night Fun: Friday 6pm - 9pm in the Conference Room

#### SPECIAL NOTICES:



A service of thanksgiving will be held on Monday, 22 April for **Barbara Orton** (Jacqueline Lilley's sister), at noon at WRBC. All are welcome to join the family at this service, which will be followed by refreshments.

Please pray that Jacqueline and the family would be comforted and know God's peace.



**Open the Book:** The next date for Heartsease is Wednesday. There will be a practice run after the morning service today. We are still looking for volunteers, so if you would like to be part of the drama group, please let Steve or the office know.



**Limitless film night fun!** Friday, 26 April: 6-9pm - Conference Room. Bring your picnic supper: popcorn and fizz provided.

### **Elder Nominations**

We are seeking to strengthen and build the Eldership/Trustees team. Therefore, we are inviting members to prayerfully discern what the Lord is saying. Please use some of the scripture references (*1 Tim 3:8-13; Titus 1:6-9; Acts 6:1-6; 1Thess 2:11-12*) in helping us identify the Spirit filled women and men with the characteristics and giftings to enhance the team and bless our community.

Our constitution states that Elders are appointed by anonymous vote at a Church meeting which will be on Monday, 3 June 2024, to serve for a period of 3 years, after which they can re-stand for a further 3 years if they so wish. After 2 terms they must stand down for at least a year to ensure they are replenished and to give opportunities for others to serve the Fellowship. We are grateful to Richard South who has served us faithfully for two terms and will be stepping down from this role in June.

We are not looking for super-heroes, just men and women committed to seeking after God's vision and call upon the body of Christ at Witard Road. If you wish to discuss the role and responsibilities further, please do not hesitate to speak to Pastor Steve or any of the elders. Members of WRBC are requested to nominate another member for these positions, after you have spoken to the nominee and they are willing to stand, please will you write or email Mandy Budden by no later than Sunday, 12 May. All nominees will require a minimum of three supporting members prior to meeting with Pastor Steve and an elder to discuss the roles and responsibilities further.

In line with the Constitution the names of nominees must be announced to the members two Sundays before the next Church meeting, therefore, any announcement would be Sunday, 26 May, prior to the church meeting on Monday 3 June.



Welcome Lunch 28 April 2024: if you would like to find out more about WRBC and about membership, then join us after the Service on Sunday, 28 April. We will have a light lunch and look forward to welcoming you to the Church. If you would like to come, please let the office know or add your name to the sign-up sheet, in the foyer.



Can anyone help! WRBC have four garden benches which are in need of rubbing down and revarnishing. If you feel you are able to do one of the benches or even all four, that would be wonderful. Please let the office know. Thank you.



Fuzzy is a contemporary two act drama inspired by the book of Job and explores themes around mental health, sexuality, faith and relationships. It will be performed at St Cuthbert's in Sprowston on Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 May, 7pm-9pm.

**Fuzzy** is an original drama written by local writer **Rev Dean Akrill**. "Fuzzy is a play about life because life can be fuzzy. I was first prompted to

write this play during one of the many fuzzy periods of my life. I could relate to Job, he too knew that life, love and relationships can be fuzzy and that the meaning of life is fuzzier still. This is a play about fuzziness, about our attempts to make life less fuzzy, and what happens when we think we've got life, love and God sussed." said Rev Dean. Tickets are £5 on the door and refreshments will be available. The play is not recommended for those under the age of 15.

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Leader	Pastor Steve	Kevin Stone
Preacher	Pastor Steve	Pastor Steve
Intercessor	Dianne C	David T
Bible Reader	Jacqueline L	Pat T
Projector	Gozi	Sam
Live Stream		Sissi
РА	David C	Hayden
Welcome Team	Mandy B & Maggie P	Peter P & Maggie P
Refreshments	Mandy B & Allison F-P	Mike C & Helen C