NPBC DIARY

WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 26th NOVEMBER 2023

SUNDAY

9.00am **Pre- Service Prayers**

9 .30am Early More Reflective Service
11.00am Later Service for All The Family

7.00pm Baseline Ten Pin Bowling

MONDAY

9.45am Parent and Toddlers

6.15pm Boys Brigade - Anchors and Juniors

7.00pm **DoE Introduction** 7.45pm **Elders Meeting**

TUESDAY

7.00pm Winter Night Shelter

WEDNESDAY

12.30pm Your Kingdom Come – Lunchtime Prayers

THURSDAY

6.30pm Girls Brigade n:vestigate and n:gage 7.45pm Boys Brigade – Company and Seniors 8.00pm Girls Brigade Seniors and Brigaders

FRIDAY

9.45am **MOPS**

8.00pm Men's Table Tennis

SUNDAY

10.00amPre- Service Prayers10.30amOne Big Family Service12.30pmSet Up Team Training6.00pmHungry For Worship

6.45 pm **Baseline**

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THIS WEEK

9.30am Early More Reflective Service exploring the Gospel of Matthew with the theme "Journey to Jerusalem – Messiah: First Shall Be Last and The Last Shall Be First" from Matthew 19:16-30

10.30am Church Online

11.00am The Later Service exploring the Gospel of Matthew with the theme "Journey to Jerusalem – Messiah: First Shall Be Last and The Last Shall Be First" from Matthew 19:16-30

6.45pm Baseline

NEXT WEEK

10.30am One Big Family Service exploring the Gospel of Matthew for the start of the Advent series with "Hope – The Coming King" from Matthew 21:1-11

10.30am Church Online

6.45pm Baseline

To help make your visit to NPBC more enjoyable.

People with hearing aids can use our loop system.

Quiet play bags are available for very small children. Please ask a steward. A crèche is available during the 11.00 service.

For our communion services, we use gluten-free, vegan bread and alcohol-free wine.



living out God's love

FAMILY NEWS

"The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged." Deuteronomy 31:8 NIV

Give thanks for those who have recently had successful procedures and pray for continued recovery and healing: Karl J; Chris J; Paul (Bren's son); Karen D: Hilary; Honor.

Pray healing and strength for those recovering from cancer treatment: Kevin Y; Jim F; Paul T; John R who also has a broken shin bone; and for those with other health problems: Maria's mum; Fiona H's dad; Colin B's mum.

Pray healing for those suffering with Covid or shingles.

We pray for Mandy P, Kath and David in Romania, taking gifts and bringing joy to the children and young people they visit, sharing Jesus' love with them. Pray especially for healing for David who is suffering with severe toothache.

We pray for God's special loving comfort and strength for all who have been bereaved, especially Maria's brother's family.

Remember in prayer those who are housebound, those caring for loved ones and those going through particularly difficult times.

Pray for those who are homeless and for all involved in bringing help to them through the Winter Night Shelter.

We continue to pray for an end to fighting in war-torn countries, for relief to those who are suffering, for effective peace-making at an international level.

As a church family we seek God's heart and clear guidance for the future, particularly regarding the Building Development Project.

Jesus said, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20 NIV

Please note that Steve is away next week from Monday 27 - Friday 1 December.



Winter Night Shelter starts this coming Tuesday, we are so excited to welcome their guests into our building.

We want to say a huge thank you to all who have signed-up to help. We thank God that all the roles have been filled which is amazing. Please pray for the guests coming through our doors and the volunteers as they commit their time to serve.



We are so excited to be hosting Christmas Cracked again this year, bringing primary school children from across Newport Pagnell to come and learn about the real meaning of Christmas.

There are number of opportunities to help in the sessions on Wednesday 13th and 20th December, so if you would like to find out more and get involved please contact Peter at peter.young@npbc.org.uk

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Do you have an event you're running for the church that needs to be publicised to the wider church family?

If you do, you'll want to take advantage of the newly developed process which enables us to plan and effectively communicate to our church family. All you need to do is follow the steps below:

- 1. Fill out this **form.**
- 2. We will get back to you with confirmation and any additional information we may need.
- 3. Our communication team will design and schedule the appropriate coms for your event. Our administration team will set any payments or sign-up forms that are required.

Please give plenty of notice before your event. If you have any questions or not sure if your event is aligned with the church, please contact communications@npbc.org.uk.

This form will be available at the bottom of every weekly email, allowing you to fill it out whenever you have an event you want to promote.



A reminder for anyone in the Sunday morning set-up team, that there is a training session scheduled for 3 December after church, starting at approximately 12.30pm.

We are grateful to all those who volunteer to be part of this team. You are a vital part of a Sunday mornings, and we're keen to support you in the role through this training.



At NPBC our prayer chain enables our church family to receive timely updates so that we can pray for one another. The prayer chain is now available via Churchsuite, so you can sign-up to receive the prayer requests, allowing you to pray for the needs of those within your church family.

How do I sign up:

- 1. Log on to your Churchsuite account.
- 2. Go to My Groups
- 3. Go to sign-ups
- 4. Click on the prayer chain group
- 5. Sign-up

Once you have signed up you will receive an email explaining what the prayer chain is and how it works. Please make sure your Churchsuite settings have allowed general emails to be sent to you. NB. If you're already a recipient of the Prayer Chain, you don't need to do anything at all.



Men's table tennis night is back on Friday 1 December at the church. It'll be a great evening full of fun, and snacks and drinks will be provided. It is just £5 each so sign-up using the link **here**.

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Every year the church gives each child a Christmas chocolate, they will be given Maltesers reindeer this year. If you would like to donate some you can pick some up whilst out shopping here are a few links for **Poundland** and **Tesco**.

Please drop off any donations at the church office by Monday 11 December. Any spares will be used with our own children and youth groups.



If you've made it this point, it might be Christmas already:) We'll have lots of information coming out in the next few days, but for now, here are some key December dates for your diaries.

Sunday 10th @ 4.00pm - Christmas Food4Thought
Saturday 16th @ 10.00am - Nativity on the High Street
Thursday 21st @ 7.45pm - Beer & Carols @ Newport Pagnell Town FC
Friday 22nd @ 5.00pm - Family Carol Service
Sunday 24th @ 10.30am - One Big Family Nativity Service
Monday 25th @ 10.30am - Christmas Day Celebration
Sunday 31st @ 8.00pm - Family New Year's Eve Party

Loads of opportunities here for us to invite family, friends and neighbours to celebrate Christmas with us. In the meantime, as half term begins, we look forward to seeing many of you on Sunday and will be praying for safe travels and a good rest for all of those taking some time out.

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