

Sunday morning text and Sermon

Living God's word "All for Jesus" Colossians 3:1- 17.

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. Here there is no Greek or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

"All for Jesus" verse 17.

- Dedicate the whole of your life to serving God
- Represent Him to those around you
- Express your gratitude to God

Questions for further study on this passage are on the church website www.testwoodbaptist.org

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Your response

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Sun 4th Oct

Welcome to Testwood Baptist Church

This morning

It's good to welcome you to Testwood as we come to meet with God & each other.

Today we're celebrating harvest. Gifts of food will be passed on to Basics Bank. Gordon Tuck will be speaking on "All for Jesus". Crèche, Children's department & Encounter meet today. Please stay for a coffee after the service. There are sports in the Sports Hall for school years 4 and above. Please let us know whether there are specific needs we can help with (e.g. a large print version of this newsletter.) A Welcome Pack is available at the Welcome Desk if you're new to church, and someone will be there to answer any questions.

Tonight at 6pm

Our monthly communion & healing service. Dave Parry will be speaking on 2 Peter 3:14.

City Prayer Meeting



We're invited to join in a City Prayer meeting on Wednesday 7th October at Central Hall, 7.30-9pm. The focus will be 'Love Southampton', a proposed strategy for long term citywide mission over the next 10-20 years, seeking to reach those in Southampton who don't yet know about God's love.

Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Appeal

Its shoebox time again. If you would like to fill a shoebox with small gifts for a child in a 3rd world country there are leaflets at the back of the church explaining exactly what to do. There are also a few shoeboxes if you do not have one.

If you are unable to fill a box but would like to help you could either put a gift in the basket at the back of the church or make a donation to help with transporting the boxes abroad. Please speak to Sandy Chance if you need any help.

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NEXT WEEKEND ... NEXT WEEKEND ... NEXT WEEKEND

Leigh's induction & ordination Sat Oct 10th at 3 p.m. followed by a cream tea. There will be seating for parents with small children on the balcony, with some activities for children to do under parental supervision. Do come along to share in this important event in our church's history.

Thank you for the offers of help with catering! Please leave parking at church for visitors coming from a distance.

Church family day – Sunday October 11th 10:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.



Ian Coffey (who lectures at Moorlands College) will be our guest speaker at the morning service and in the afternoon sessions following a shared lunch. He'll be speaking on "What does God do on Mondays." There will be a range of activities for the whole family during the day – which will finish by 5:00. (There'll be no evening service that day.)

Programme for the day ...

- 10:30 Morning service with crèche, children's department and Encounter
- 12:30 Shared lunch (please take food to the kitchen at the back of the church)
- 1:15 Church family session 1
Table football / pool / attempt at the world record for cup stacking / Jenga / sudoku / word searches / games consoles/ Wii / dance mats / X box / penalty shootout / bouncy castles / chat over a cup of tea / carpet bowls / table games / joke collection / craft area / knitting group (learn to knit, or bring your own).
- 2:00 Teaching session 1 in auditorium
Crèche facilities in The Hub / film for under 8s in room 2 / film for over 8s in youth coffee bar.
- 2:55 Tea & cake in The Hub
- 3:15 Church family session 2 + activities as above
- 4:00 Teaching session 2 in auditorium + crèche & films.
- 5:00 Home!

YELLOW MOON CATALOGUES Help raise money for YFM
New catalogues are available at the Welcome Desk. Packed full of kids arts and crafts stuff, educational toys and games, all at reasonable prices. Great for keeping the kids busy, for parties and for Christmas. For every purchase you make YFM receive up to 25% cash-back. Please pick up a copy and help raise money for your community.
Thank you.
The YFM Team.

Dates for your diary

- October
- Sat 10th Induction service for Leigh Barnard
- Sun 11th Church family Day with Ian Coffey
- Wed 14^h An Evening of Music and Song
- Sat 17th Women's Ministry Morning taster retreat
Men's Breakfast with Bacon Butties, 8am. Come see how God flung stars into space. (A great DVD)
- Weds 21st Church annual general meeting
- Fri 23rd Card making night
- November
- Sat 7th Men's day conference at TBC
Speaker Ian Hayes-Anderson. "Get back in the game"
- Sat 7th Prayer breakfast
- Sat 21st Christmas Craft night

For church members ...

The Church AGM will be on Wednesday 21st October. Coffee served from 7:00 for a 7:30 start to the meeting.

For the Christmas Craft night on Sat Nov 21st ...

We need 120 small glass jars. If you have any empty mustard / mint sauce / small jam jars could you put them in the labelled box in the church kitchen please? Thank you! Tickets will be on sale soon!

Women's Ministry - Morning Taster Retreat

Do you like the idea of taking some time out and having space to stop and listen to what God wants to say to you, but can't spare a whole day? Then this mini-retreat session is the perfect opportunity to do so! Come and join us in this chance to have some space, reflect and hear God's word brought to us - you can do as much or as little as you want, but be sure to come and meet with God.

Date: Saturday 17th October Time: 10:00am - 12:30pm

Venue: Testwood Baptist Church

Sign up at the Welcome Desk or contact Jude Rosier for more details.

Not Long Now to Ian Lessiter's Evening of Music and Song

Wed 14th Oct 7.30 at T B C Tickets £5

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(For regular attenders at church)

Please update the directory with the following details

Feedback/comments/prayer requests