

Sunday morning text and Sermon

Jonah Chapter 1

The word of the LORD came to Jonah son of Amittai: "Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it, because its wickedness has come up before me."

But Jonah ran away from the LORD and headed for Tarshish. He went down to Joppa, where he found a ship bound for that port. After paying the fare, he went aboard and sailed for Tarshish to flee from the LORD.

Then the LORD sent a great wind on the sea, and such a violent storm arose that the ship threatened to break up. All the sailors were afraid and each cried out to his own god. And they threw the cargo into the sea to lighten the ship.

But Jonah had gone below deck, where he lay down and fell into a deep sleep. The captain went to him and said, "How can you sleep? Get up and call on your god! Maybe he will take notice of us, and we will not perish."

Then the sailors said to each other, "Come, let us cast lots to find out who is responsible for this calamity." They cast lots and the lot fell on Jonah.

So they asked him, "Tell us, who is responsible for making all this trouble for us? What do you do? Where do you come from? What is your country? From what people are you?"

He answered, "I am a Hebrew and I worship the LORD, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the land."

This terrified them and they asked, "What have you done?" (They knew he was running away from the LORD, because he had already told them so.)

The sea was getting rougher and rougher. So they asked him, "What should we do to you to make the sea calm down for us?"

"Pick me up and throw me into the sea," he replied, "and it will become calm. I know that it is my fault that this great storm has come upon you."

Instead, the men did their best to row back to land. But they could not, for the sea grew even wilder than before. Then they cried to the LORD, "O LORD, please do not let us die for taking this man's life. Do not hold us accountable for killing an innocent man, for you, O LORD, have done as you pleased." Then they took Jonah and threw him overboard, and the raging sea grew calm. At this the men greatly feared the LORD, and they offered a sacrifice to the LORD and made vows to him.

But the LORD provided a great fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was inside the fish three days and three nights.

We value your feedback – please use this tear off slip.

Feedback/comments/prayer requests



Sun 4th July

Welcome to Testwood Baptist Church

This morning

Welcome ... we're glad you can be here today. Leigh Barnard will be speaking this morning, starting a new series looking at the book of Jonah. There is crèche provision & children & young people's groups for 3 – 14s. Please let us know if 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.

This evening

At 6 p.m Brian Coward will be speaking at our Communion & Healing service.

Next Sunday

We are having baptisms in the morning & evening services.

Please pray

....For those who are away today at the Church Camping Weekend.
....For Gordon Tuck as he preaches at Andover Baptist this morning.
....For the last session of Alpha on Tuesday

'The River', 12th July, 7.30pm.

An invitation to come and worship: some planned, some spontaneous, interspersed with readings from the bible that people are free to come and give as God leads. This is a great opportunity to give God glory and to listen to what he is saying to us. This will take place in the auditorium and all are welcome. If you would like to help with creative ideas or set up during the day on Monday please see Leigh Barnard for more details.

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Africa evening – Saturday 17th July
 Mark and Naomi Munts are hosting an Africa-themed evening at TBC to raise money for their forthcoming mission trip to Kenya. The evening will run from 6pm and will include a meal and an Africa-themed 'pub quiz'. Tickets £7 adult, £3 children, available from the welcome desk. If you would like to find out more please contact Naomi on 07518758303 or Mark on 07833666247. Thank you.

TESTWOOD SOLOS PROGRAMME SUMMER/AUTUMN 2010

-SATURDAY 24TH JULY 10:00AM
 Meet at Sunnyfield's Farmers' Market, followed by a walk around Eling nature reserve and lunch at the Village Bells, Eling.

-TUESDAY 27TH JULY 07:30 PM
 Planning Meeting at Di Pratt's

-SATURDAY 21ST AUGUST
 Day Out by Train/Coach, details T.B.A.

-SATURDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER
 Day out to Clark's Outlet Shopping at Street, Somerset, & visit to East Somerset Railway.

-SATURDAY 27TH OCTOBER 07:00 PM (?)
 Barn Dance at Netley Marsh

CAR BOOT SALE in aid of Youth and Families Matter
 Saturday 10th July 11am - 2pm
 Abbotswood School grounds, Ringwood Road, Totton.
 £5 per car if you want to sell. Free entry for people coming to buy.
 For more details contact: jacqueline@youthandfamiliesmatter.org.uk
 Tel: 023 8086 0320

Lift from Calmore
 There is a lady who lives in Honeydew Close in Calmore who has walking difficulties who would love a lift to church on a Sunday morning. If you can help please see Steve Reynolds on reception.

Creche Rota
 The Rota for August to October has recently been circulated on E-mail. If you have not received yours, please contact me (tel 80865669 or E-mail geandan@care4free.net) for a hard copy. Thank you Ann Friend

Dates for your diary

July	
Weds 7 th	Streetwise meeting
Sat 10 th	Car boot sale
Sun 11 th	Baptism Service
Tues 13 th	Church Members meeting
Sat 17 th	Women's Ministry Prayer Lunch
Mon 19 th	Women's Ministry FLAG film night
August	
Sun 1 st	New Wine
Mon 16 th	Women's Ministry FLAG family walk
Sept	
Tues 14 th	Men's curry night
Fri 17 th	Phatfish live in Concert
Mon 20 th	Women's Ministry Bar B Q
Sat 25 th	Worn again

Ladies prayer lunch – Sat July 17th
 12:00 – 2:00 in The Hub. Lunch is provided. There's a sign up sheet at the Welcome Desk so we know numbers to cater for. See Megan Murray, Hev Brider, Fi Plummer, Rachel Lyon or Janice Tuck for more information.

Streetwise
 YFM have now purchased their new vehicle for the Streetwise project. We now need to design the outside to make it 'cool' for the young people and make alterations to the inside. If you have any skills in design or can offer any practical help then please come along to a meeting in the Hub on 7th July at 7pm. Any questions please speak to Kelly Price or Brigitte Kemish.

Churches Together in Totton
 Prayer and litter pick. Saturday 10th July. Two sessions, 10am to 12noon and 1pm to 3pm. Meet at the Christian Centre, Ringwood Road, Totton. An opportunity to show our community we care.

Your response
 If you are a visitor and would like to know more please fill in, tick as appropriate, tear off & place in the offering bags or take to the Welcome Desk.

Name	<input type="checkbox"/> More about what this church is all about
Address	<input type="checkbox"/> Children's or youth activities
	<input type="checkbox"/> Small groups that meet midweek
Telephone	<input type="checkbox"/> Courses that explore the Christian faith
Email	(Alpha/Journeys)