

10 am Sunday Service in the Sanctuary

plus

Live Zoom link, 9.45 for 10am

'Stewardship and the cross' – Luke 12: 22-34

Please arrive at the church from 9.30 am as there will be social distancing queuing as you enter the main entrance. Remember that you have to re-book your pew each week.

The code, password and telephone numbers needed to join Zoom have been circulated to all and can also be found on the Beulah Family Facebook page.



BULLETIN

27th September 2020

Note from the Pastor

Generosity as discipleship

It's easy to give your time, energy, or money when you have a lot to spare. But the true test of generosity comes when there is little surplus. Do you still give what little you have to help somebody else?

Why does God test our generosity? Because if we are going to become like Jesus, we need to learn how to be generous. If we neglect this area, I believe our growth to maturity in Christ will plateau. There are times in life when things aren't going well. I have faced moments of being less than out of money. You feel like you have no energy to give. How can you be generous when you are stretched thin?

A good example for us is found in Paul's statement about the churches in Macedonia: *"Though they have been going through much trouble and hard times, they have mixed their wonderful joy with their deep poverty, and the result has been an overflow of giving to others"* (2 Corinthians 8:2 TLB).

An acid test of how much you trust God is the way you handle your money because it shows what is important to you.

Here are a few things to remember, no matter how much or how little you have. **'Obeying God's vision will bring God's provision.'** A slightly chessey quote, but it is true. What is God's vision for how we handle our resources? The principles and commands in the Bible can lead us through in providing what we need. 'Seek first the Kingdom of God and all these things will be added unto you.'

There is always a delay between sowing and reaping. A harvest is not automatic. It takes time and patience. We live in an impatient age and even living by the sea doesn't shelter us from a sense of now!

Two great benefits of being generous is that you learn to trust that God will take care of every need you have. Secondly, through our giving we become answers to prayer.

This Sunday we are celebrating **Harvest**. We have encouraged support for the **Bexhill Foodbank**. You can leave items of food in the baskets found in supermarkets or help financially. Monies can be paid directly into their bank account – HSBC Bank. CTiB Bexhill Foodbank. Sort code 40 10 14 Account No 61501593. There is also a Virgin Money giving page on their website or cheques/cash can be sent to them or put in their letterbox – cheques to Churches Together in Bexhill – Bexhill Foodbank. Their address is 19-20 Station Road, Bexhill. Many thanks.

Wednesday Prayer takes place on Wednesdays, 7.30 pm on Zoom.

The **Tea Party** -every Friday at 2.30 pm on Zoom. For the link, either email jackieihughes60@gmail.com or catch the link on the Beulah Family Facebook page.

The **Church Members' AGM and September meeting** will take place in the sanctuary from **7.00 pm** on **Tuesday 29th September, 2020** and on Zoom. The Agenda can be found on the Beulah website and on the main church noticeboard, Copies of the 2019 accounts are available from the office. If you are planning to come, please contact the office asap to reserve your place. If you are planning to watch on Zoom but do not have any health concerns that would prevent you attending in person could we ask you to consider coming. It is only those present in the sanctuary who can be included in the official count and we do need the meeting to be quorate. If you do not have email you can pick up papers from the office via the office window!

CTIB Weekly Prayer Diary for October

4th St Michael's Church, Glassenbury Drive
11th St Stephen's Church, Downs Road
18th Bexhill Foodbank
25th St Augustine's Church, Cooden Drive

BMS Birthday Scheme – October Birthdays

Sign up to donate to the BMS on the occasion of your birthday. For more information contact Wendy Dean.

4 th	Vickie Jeffreys	13 th	Keira Salt
5 th	Alan Soar	25 th	Gay Williams
	Pat Wanstall	27 th	Fiona Henley
7 th	Margaret Young		David Mitchell
10 th	Ann Hoy	28 th	Cynthia Smith
12 th	Carol Philpott		
	Michael Broadbent		

Flowers in the sanctuary would have been in memory of the following:

11th Sue and Paul Matthew's mother (Joy) and Father (Frank)
18th Mike Dean

BMS World Mission October Prayer Requests

Church All around the world, BMS World Mission has partnerships with national and local churches who collaborate with BMS workers to proclaim the good news, bring about community transformation and manifest the kingdom of God. Please join us in prayer for the fulfilment of the Great Commission through the global Church.

Nepal In the wake of the Covid-19 Coronavirus, please pray for the poorest people of Nepal, who struggle to afford food when there are shortages and price increases because of India closing its borders.

Afghanistan Thank God for the children of our workers in Afghanistan. Please pray for wisdom for our workers as they make decisions about the schooling needs of their children.

Creation Stewardship At Bardaï hospital in northern Chad, BMS doctors Mark and Andrea Hotchkin have installed solar panels to boost their ability to store medicines and run equipment. Pray for their capacity to treat patients ever more efficiently. Pray that our work will broaden people's understanding of the link between faith and the environment.

The CTIB AGM will take place on Wednesday 30th September, 7 pm for 7.30 pm at St Augustine's Church, Cooden Drive.

Many congratulations to **Tony and Molly Edgell** on the occasion of their Diamond Wedding Anniversary on 1st October.

Starting in October the church will be running a new teaching series called '**Emotionally Health Spirituality.**' This series leads us into exploring what lies beneath the surface in our hidden world, whilst at the same time rooting us in Christ through godly disciplines and teaching.

The whole church is invited to journey together using the material available at the church office. There is a workbook for home groups **and there will be a midweek gathering on the following Wednesdays between Oct-Dec at 11am in the sanctuary. Oct 7th, 14th, Oct 28th, Nov 4th, 18th, 25th. Dec 2nd, 9th.** There is also a devotional prayer book for people to use either on your own, with others or both.

If you would like to join a home group via Zoom or attend on Wednesdays, please contact the office. The course book is provided by the church and we are asking for a £5 donation for the devotional book.

New Wine Christian Festival. We are encouraging the whole church family to gather together next summer to celebrate everything God has done in our lives, and to encounter him afresh together and take his blessing back to our local churches and communities – to see the nation changed. The festival will take place in the East of England Showground, Peterborough, which has excellent facilities and, for any non-campers, over 1,000 hotel rooms nearby. If you wish to know more, please speak to Pastor David or go to their website new-wine.org

If you wish to book there is a flash sale until the end of September! When booking, book for UNITED B, 30th July to 4th August under Beulah Baptist Church. At this time you only need pay a deposit. You would have to travel independently.

Answers for Just for Fun 14 (20.9.20)

Can you name these chocolate bars

1 Twix 2 Mars 3 Mint Aero 4 Bounty 5 Double Decker 6 Snickers 7 Wispa 8 Boost 9 Toffee Crisp 10 Lion Bar 11 Flake 12 Crunchie

Chocolate quiz

1. Toffee Penny and The Purple One - **Quality Street.**
2. Milk chocolate in 1904? **Cadbury's Dairy Milk**
3. 'And all because the lady loves...'? **Milk Tray**
4. Mars Bar Ice Creams first introduced? **1980s (1989)**
5. Praline? **Nuts**
6. Most chocolate? **Switzerland**

Riddles

- Which is faster- hot or cold? **Hot, you can easily catch cold**
- What starts with a 't', ends with a 't' and is full of 't'? **Teapot**
- What is the largest ant in the world? **(Eleph)ant**
- Which table doesn't have legs? **(Vege)table**
- How many months have 28 days? **All of them**
- What do tigers have that other animals don't have? **Baby tigers**

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There is a verse from Proverbs hidden in this shape.

To find it, you'll need to start at one of the letter A's and then read every second letter, going in a clockwise direction.

How long will it take you to uncover the wisdom of this Proverb?

Just for fun 15

Who said this?

- Which historical figure said 'I came I saw I conquered'?
- Which sportsman said 'Float like a butterfly, sting like a bee....'?
- Which politician said 'The lady's not for turning'?
- Which scientist said 'Imagination is more important than knowledge. Knowledge is limited. Imagination encircles the world.'
- Who said 'Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country'?
- Who said 'You must be the change you wish to see in the world'
- Which actress said 'You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough'
- Which politician said 'I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat'



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National Flags

Can you identify which countries these flags are from?

Six of them are from countries represented in our fellowship!