

## CHURCH DIARY



19<sup>th</sup> April 2026

The following weekly meetings will be held in their usual slots:  
Space Club, RunningSpace, Marching Band, Toddlers, Art Club, Limitless,  
Ukrainian Hub & Community Meals, Warm Space Café, The Lighthouse Club,  
Square Dancing Club.

**Full details can be found on our website: [www.beulahbaptist.co.uk](http://www.beulahbaptist.co.uk)**

Sun 19 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Sunday Morning Prayer (Buckhurst Room)
	10.00 am	Morning service
	10.15 am	ACCESS Group (Payne Room)
	4.00 pm	Afternoon Service (Buckhurst Room)
	5.15 pm	Membership Information Session (Buckhurst Room)
6-7.30 pm	Ethos (Barnett Barn)	
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Inter-church Men's Coffee Fellowship (Buckhurst Room)
	2.30 pm	Church Prayer Meeting - Buckhurst Room
Tue 21 <sup>st</sup>	10.30 am	Connect Group (Buckhurst Room)
	12.30-2 pm	Mental Health Group (Barnett Barn)
	1.30 pm	Connect Group (Buckhurst Room)
	7.30 pm	Connect Group (Buckhurst Room)
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	2.00 pm	Connect Group (Buckhurst Room)
	7.00 pm	Beta Course (Payne Room)
	7.30 pm	Men's Connect Group (Barnett Barn)
Thu 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30 am	Open Prayer Session (Psalm 23 Room)
	7.30 pm	Worship Group Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Connect Group (Payne Room)
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Sunday Morning Prayer (Buckhurst Room)
	10.00 am	Morning service
	10.15 am	OYPs Group (Payne Room)
	12.30 pm	Bring-and-share Lunch (Clifford Hall)
	6.00 pm	Special Church Members' Meeting (Clifford Hall)
7.00 pm	Praise & Prayer Evening (Clifford Hall)	

**Today's sermon: The Emmaus Road**

***Luke 24:13-35***

**Preacher: Rev. David Lockwood**

A warm welcome to anyone here for the first time today.

Please make yourself known to a steward.

Prayer prior to the service will take place in the  
Buckhurst Room from 9am.

**Motto Verse for 2026**

**'... so is My word that goes out from My mouth:  
It will not return to Me empty, but will accomplish what I desire  
and achieve the purpose for which I sent it'**

***Isaiah 55:11***

**Our vision**

***Knowing Jesus, Transforming people,  
Changing society***

There are collection boxes for your offering as you enter the sanctuary or exit for refreshments. If you wish to donate via BACS the account details for Beulah are Barclays Bank, Beulah Baptist, Sort Code 202791 A/c No 70094730  
There is now also an option for contactless giving via our card machines, located in the foyer or on the reception desk.

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Following our recent transition to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), **all Trustees are required to step down from their roles**. They will then have to be re-nominated and re-elected to serve under the new CIO structure.

The resignation and reappointment process will take place at the CIO AGM on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2026.

Nominations must be submitted and announced no later than two weeks before the AGM (4<sup>th</sup> May).

There are currently vacancies for the following roles:

- Fabric Deacon
- Church Secretary (Church Officer)
- Assistant Secretary x2 (one for Personnel, one for Policies – these roles do not require you to be an Elder or Deacon)
- Building Development Deacon

**As our church continues to grow, so too does the need for faithful, willing individuals to step forward and serve. These roles are vital to the life, organisation, and future development of our church community and vision.**

We encourage you to prayerfully and seriously consider whether God may be calling you to serve in one of these capacities. Your time, skills, and commitment can make a meaningful and lasting difference in supporting the work and mission of Beulah.

There will be a **Membership Information Session, tonight** (Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> April) in the **Buckhurst Room** at 5.15pm. Those who have expressed an interest to join Beulah in membership and have not yet been to one of these sessions; or if you are just curious about what it means to become a member, please let the office know so we can book a space and have an information pack ready.

**Rev David Lockwood, our Senior Pastor**, will be away in Australia on bereavement leave, from 20 - 29<sup>th</sup> April. For any emergencies please contact our pastoral Elder, Brian Wightwick (away from 27<sup>th</sup> April-1<sup>st</sup> May) or our Pastoral Co-ordinator, Joanna Legg-Bagg on [pastoral@beulahbaptist.co.uk](mailto:pastoral@beulahbaptist.co.uk)

Again, as part of the growing church and the children's ministry, we are urgently seeking **volunteers to support Sunday Club**. In particular, those with gifting in complex needs would be greatly appreciated and would bring a much-needed boost to our team. Please prayerfully consider getting involved and speaking with Karline Botha. You do not have to be trained, but a heart for children or a calling is a requirement. God doesn't call the equipped, but He equips the called.

**Special Church Members Meeting** - There will be a Special Members Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2026 in the Clifford Hall, at 6pm. Please could you make every effort to be there, it will be fairly short with just one agenda item, to **vote on new staff for the Community Development Worker role**. Coffee & tea will be served afterwards for those who wish to stay on for the Prayer & Praise Evening at 7pm.

### **Connect Groups: 16 Groups, 1 Community**

From Bible study to everyday support, our Connect Groups are where real friendships happen.

**New?** Let us help you find a group this week. Please email the office ([office@beulahbaptist.co.uk](mailto:office@beulahbaptist.co.uk)) or speak to Maurice Connor after the service.

**Member?** Tell us what you love and what we can improve. There are feedback forms in the church foyer as well as on the reception desk; drop your anonymous feedback in the collection box.

Thank you to the leaders and hosts who make these groups possible!

Join us for our monthly **Bring-and-share Lunch**, on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April. The theme this time will be Greek!

Everyone is warmly welcome!

We are holding a **Quiz Night** on May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Clifford Hall. This is to raise money to help support our young people to attend Satellites in August. Tickets are £5 per person with teams of no more than six. Teams can be made up on the night if need be. Teams are invited from the various groups within the church such as Connect groups, Cameo, Stewards, Worship group etc. **All are welcome**. Please bring your own nibbles and non-alcoholic drinks. Tea and coffee will be served.

Tickets available from Val and Malcolm Yates or Bryan and Rosemary Henley.

For more details speak to Rosemary Henley. Thank you.

**Ministry beyond Beulah:** some of our members often preach in other churches. They serve a wider ministry and would appreciate prayers as they do so.

Brian Wightwick:

Bernhard Baron Care Home - 26<sup>th</sup> April at 5.00pm

Polegate Free Church - 26<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm

Pat Reigh:

Robertsbridge Community Church - 19<sup>th</sup> April at 10.30am

Ashburnham Chapel - 19<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm

**Communion collection:** every communion Sunday you will find little envelopes in the pews. Gifts given via these envelopes are for the Fellowship Fund, which is for a Beulah person at a time of need. It is also possible to give via BACS, should you prefer - please put the reference to any electronic/BACS gift as "fellowship".