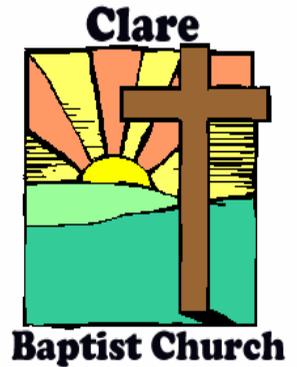


Clare Baptist Church Mission
Statement -

**“To follow and
worship Jesus and make
Him known”**



13th January 2019

Bible Readings - **Luke 2:41:52**

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A WARM WELCOME TO YOU

We are very pleased to welcome everyone here today. If this is your first visit, please make yourself known to the Stewards on duty, we do have a welcome card you can fill in if you wish. If you have been before, then welcome back.



Please come and join us in the back hall for a cup of tea or coffee after the morning service.



NOTES

Rev. Paul Graham's day off is Saturday

What's on this week

SUNDAY

10:30am Morning Service conducted by Paul Graham
6:30pm Evening Service including communion conducted by Paul Graham

MONDAY

10:00am - 12:00Noon Knitting Group at the "Manse"

TUESDAY

9:30 - 11:30am "Allsorts" Toddler Group in the Hall
- for the under 4's, bumps and babies welcome
5:30 - 8:30pm Brownies & Guides in the Hall

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

8:00pm Housegroup at "Penrhyn", Bridewell Street, Clare
8:00pm Housegroup at "Darson House", Stoke-by-Clare

FRIDAY

7:15 - 8:15pm Senior Club (Years 4 - 6)
8:30 - 9:30pm Youth Club (Years 7+)

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

10:30am Morning Service conducted by Paul Graham
4:00pm Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service at Clare Priory

PLEASE NOTE NO EVENING SERVICE

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Members of our Church ministering in other churches:

This Week

Next Week

Vivien Sargeant is at Whepstead B.C.



HOPE BOXES - CHRISTMAS CARDS

If you have any really beautiful cards, Gale Marshall will take them off your hands to use them for the Hope boxes.

(it doesn't matter if they have writing on them as they can be trimmed)



FOR PRAYER



Open Doors World Watch List 2019 The 2019 World Watch List of the 50 countries where it is most dangerous to live as a Christian is officially launched next Wednesday (16th). Please pray for the politicians who will attend the launch in Westminster, giving thanks for their compassion. Please also pray for all those caught up in persecution, the victims and perpetrators, for God's grace, mercy and love.

E.B.A. Weekly Prayer Focus - Orchard B.C., Colchester. Orchard Baptist Church is located in the south of Colchester, surrounded by several housing estates. The fellowship draws on the local community and the wider area. Sunday morning services are lively and creative, often using multi-media presentations and attracting 40-60 people. Rev. Graeme Ross was, until recently, the minister at Orchard B. C. before becoming a Regional Minister with the E.B.A. The fellowship at Orchard are beginning the process of seeking a new minister.

Orchard is a missional fellowship with their annual free Community Fun Day attended by up to 300 people. In school holidays there is either a Fun Morning or a Film Morning for local families. During term time there is a Little Pips Toddler Group on Thursday morning and a Table Tennis group meets weekly

For Prayer - Please pray for the Leadership Team at Orchard as they seek God's guidance in their search for a new minister.

Praying For Clare

In Clare - Bridewell Street, Callis Street, Snow Hill, Hertford Road and Clare Primary School. In Poslingford - The Street. In Hundon - North Street, Farmerie Road and Lower Road. Long Melford and Kedington.

Farms, Businesses and Community activities in these areas

Please pray for Marion/Hillary Dyson and the family at this time, Betty Bailey, Doreen Sargeant, Janet Sibley, Reg and Eve Wood, for those who need prayers for health, for companionship, to know that someone cares.

If you have an issue for which you like prayer, please attach a prayer leaf to the board with your request. These will be collected and prayed over at each Deacon's prayer meeting



CHURCH DIARY 2019



Can you let Janet Sibley know any Hall bookings for 2019 as soon as possible please

LADIES' BREAKFAST

The next Ladies' breakfast is on the 26th January from 8:30 - 10:00am in the Hall. Speaker will be Jean Silk.

If you wish to attend can you let Rita Bateman know please



EVENTS TO COME

- 20th - 24th Jan Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. All are welcome at all events
- Sun 20th Jan Service to start the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity AND launch event for the Youth for Christ touring band and dance group schools week at Kedington Village Hall at 6:30pm
- Mon 21st Jan Treble C Choir in the church at 7:30pm
- Mon 21st Jan Housegroup at "Brookfield", Bridewell Street, Clare at 10:00am
- Tue 22nd Jan Deacon's Prayer Meeting at 8:00pm
- Thu 24th Jan Ladies Fellowship in the Hall at 2:15pm
- Open Meeting - Bring and Share
- Sat 26th Jan Ladies' breakfast from 8:30am - 10:00am in the Hall. Speaker will be Jean Silk. If you wish to attend can you let Rita Bateman know please
- Sun 27th Jan Twilight House Gang in the church from 6:30 - 8:00pm
- Tue 29th Jan Church Members Meeting in the Hall at 8:00pm. Please do come along to these meetings, they are important for all of us
- Thu 31st Jan Ladies Crafty in the Hall at 2:00pm

HAVERHILL FOOD BANK

Thank you to everyone for all your donations over the Christmas period, we've had so much food come in that we are now well stocked.
Shortages this week - Coffee (small jars)



PRAYER CHAIN

If you have a particular urgent prayer need then you can call **Wilf Stanbury (01787 279262)** who will pass your need along the prayer chain. This means that about a dozen people will pray into that need for you. This is a confidential service open to anyone, whether connected with the church or not.



PASTORAL CARE

Please contact Rev. Paul Graham (01787) 277864

AIDS FOR YOU TO USE

Large Print copies of Mission Praise and Bibles are available at the back of the church, please ask a Steward if you would like one.

The Church is equipped with a loop system for those who use hearing aids.



A Digital recording is made of each service. If you would like to borrow a CD, please ask at the P.A. desk.



Sermons can be downloaded from the website or from iTunes (podcast - search Clare Baptist Church)

NOTICES

Items for the next Notice Sheet should be advised to Stephen Freestone by lunchtime next Thursday at the latest. Email: stephen@sfreestone.co.uk

10 PRAYERS FOR OUR DIVIDED NATION

- 1) Father, we pray that those who lead our country would govern with integrity. Grant them wisdom to make good decisions and the conviction to implement them. Amen
- 2) Lord, where there is division in our land let your Church proclaim the reconciling love of Christ, where there is hatred let your peace reign. Amen
- 3) God our Provider, in the midst of economic uncertainty we pray for those whom making ends meet is a daily struggle, please supply their every need. Amen
- 4) Lord, help us as a nation to defend the cause of the orphan and the widow. Let us love and care for the immigrant among us as we love ourselves. Amen
- 5) Father, for all those fearful about what the future might hold for our nation, please comfort, protect and guide them. Amen
- 6) God of Love, keep us from hating those we disagree with. Give us the humility to seek to understand and to love those with opposing views. Amen
- 7) Father God, we pray that you would protect this nation from those who plan evil and violence against us. Please turn them from their error to your truth. Amen
- 8) Jesus, King of Kings, we know that there is no political answer to our nation's deepest needs. May we place our hope in God not man. Amen
- 9) Jesus, we pray for an end to the falsehood and 'fake news' that corrupts our national life. Instead, may your 'spirit of truth' transform this land. Amen
- 10) Our Father in heaven, Let your Kingdom Come and your will be done in the United Kingdom as in heaven. Cause our nation to turn to you as Lord and Saviour. Amen

(Taken from the Premier ebook *"Prayer For Our Divided Nation"* ©2019

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