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Sunday 29th March

WORSHIP THE LORD
IN THE BEAUTY OF HOLINESS.

What's On?

Palm Sunday

9.45am - Prayerfield @ manse



10.30am - Morning service

Led by Neil Loescher with Darr Parr preaching on Matthew 21 v 1 - 11

4 - 6 pm Musicians' Practise



Wednesday 1st April

10.30am - Oasis Coffee Morning

Friday 3rd April – Good Friday



11am - BACT Walk of Witness

starting in Westbury Garden and ending at Christchurch



2pm - Hour at the Cross

quiet reflective service led by Dave Parr

Sunday 5th April – Easter day

9.45am - Prayerfield @ manse



10.30am - Morning service and communion

Led by Dave Parr with Claire Parr preaching

Followed by refreshments and egg hunt



Next Week

Tuesday 7th April

10.30am - Morning Homegroup (tbc)



Saturday 11th April

7pm - SOS



Weekly wonderings ...

A stumbling block or folly?

You hung from the tree,
A death so terrible
So foul,
That the curse of God had to be upon You.
And it was!
"So how could you be the Messiah? "
The Jews asked.
But you are...
And so to them.
You are a Stumbling Block!

Human weakness
At its most vulnerable
- at the point of death.
No regal dignity there
And there wasn't!
"Where is the conquering king? "
The Gentiles asked.
But you are...
And so to them.
You are only Foolishness!



So what is your conclusion
To the identity
Of the man at Calvary?

This simple yet thought-provoking poem written by Alison Steadman, who worked for the leprosy mission in Bhutan, helps us to consider the debasing pain, and majestic love that Jesus went through for our salvation. Jesus is neither foolishness, nor a stumbling block to us. The Psalmist in Psalm 118, says this: "The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone, the Lord has done this, and it is marvellous in our eyes. The capstone features as the central point on an arch from which all the other stones are secure. As living stones built together for a Holy life, chosen and dearly loved and freely given a position in God's kingdom we can echo the Psalmist's words about Jesus, the stone the builders' rejected, and about the events of Easter: "the Lord has done this and it is marvellous in our eyes." Look to Jesus afresh this Easter for purpose, hope, security, strength and love.

May I wish you all a very Happy Easter,

Dave

PRAYER



Pray for

- Year 11 and 13 students as they approach their exams
- Our church weekend. For Aaron Scott as he prepares to lead the teaching
- Wisdom and guidance for Bearfield's Trustees and BLT
- Those within our church who are struggling with health
- Paul Weymouth, Dee Way, Jane Mbanacele and Gisela Leat

Bearfield AGM



The AGM will take place on a Thursday evening this year

21st May 7.30-8.45pm in the school room

and will take a slightly different format from the post-Sunday service AGMs of recent years to give time for discussion, questions, ideas and prayer.

The evening will start with tea, coffee and cake and time for you to read the written reports of the various ministries within the church.

There will be presentations on finance and from the BLT.

Then there will be time in small groups to discuss the reports and presentations and feedback any questions and ideas, before finishing with a time of prayer for the life of the church.

Everyone is welcome, please do come along.

(Church members: At the moment there are no BLT appointments requiring a vote this year as the current team were all voted in last May. However if this changes and there are any new appointments to be voted on, this will be notified in advance and proxy votes will be available for anyone who can't be at the meeting.)

Update from the Trustees

We've previously shared that the toilet and corridor are the next priority for a building improvement project, and we can update that we are beginning to progress with discussions about this.

We're seeking advice on what may be possible and the costs involved, having made contact with a conservation architect and project manager, who will speak to the Council on our behalf and seek pre-planning advice.

This notice is just to let you know we're getting the ball rolling and when we have more details we will share this for information and consultation.

The Trustees

Dates for the diary



Sunday 29th March

4 - 6 pm Musicians' Practise



Saturday 18th April

2 - 7 pm Wilderness Worship – run by WOLT and WYFC for years 7-13
(rescheduled – let SA know if you are still coming)



Tuesday 21st April

7.30 pm BLT meeting

Friday 24th – 26th April

Church Weekend Away @ Hill House Christian Centre
(booking forms now due so please return them to SA)



Tuesday 19th May

8 pm Trustees meeting

Thursday 21st May

7.30 - 9pm Bearfield Church Annual General Meeting



Church Weekend Away 2026

The Bible: From Genesis to Jesus (and Beyond!)

guest speaker: Aaron Scott

from North Bradley Baptist Church

24th – 26th April 2026



Final balance now due.

The weekend away is a great time to get to know each other better and spend time with God, studying his word.

If you are not booked to come, then do speak to SA.

There are a few rooms still available, including some ensuite.

Community Events

Bradford-on-Avon Area
Churches Together



WALK OF WITNESS

on

Good Friday 3rd April 2025

Meet at Westbury Gardens, at
11.00am

Stopping around town for bible
readings, prayers and hymns
and ending at Christ Church for
coffee and hot cross buns

*If you have anything for the newsletter, please email Sarah-Ann by Wednesday
on admin@bearfield.org*



Challenge, Development
Education & Fun



Wiltshire
YOUTH
FOR CHRIST

WILDERNESS WORSHIP

SCHOOL
YEARS 7-13
WELCOME!

18 APRIL 2026

2:00- 7:00pm



THOULSTONE PARK

Chapmanslade, BA13 4AQ

An opportunity to gather with other young people from churches across Wiltshire for an afternoon of activities, games, BBQ, worship and hearing from the Bible

TICKETS
£15



BOOK HERE: <https://tinyurl.com/5n7tdpw4>



Spirituality & Social Action

A series of workshops

How do we live in a world of climate crisis, inequality, nationalism, war and conflict?

What can we *do*, and how do we know what is right?

Where does spirituality fit in: does it inspire and sustain action or make us turn within and away?

18 April	Palestine & Social Action
16 May	Climate & Social Action
20 June	Young people & Social Action
Bradford on Avon Quaker Meeting House Whiteheads Lane, off Silver Street, 3-5 pm	

Come and explore together in an open, inclusive space where everyone is welcome, whatever your views, background or experience. This is a free event, tea and coffee will be provided.