#### **Bratton Baptist Church:**



## **BBC NEWS**

#### We meet in various ways ...

Sundays Morning service: 11am

Sing Praise: 12th @ 6pm (Church Institute)

Tea-time Service: 26th @ 4pm with Chris Smith

**Home Groups:** Monday & Tuesday evenings

Connect: 2nd, 16th & 30th May @ 2pm

**Well-being Revive:** Mondays, from 1pm until 2.30pm (not on May Day or Spring Bank Holiday: 6th & 27th)

#### Children & Family activities (term time)

Revive Café: Mondays @ 2.30 (term-time: 13th & 20th)

Bratton Bugs: Fridays, other than 31st May, @1.45-3pm

Comets: Friday 17th at 6.30pm (for Key Stage 2 chn.)

Messy Church: Sunday 19th @ 4pm

Fusion: 1st Friday in the month @ 6.30pm (for 11-14s)

"Early Bird" Joint Prayer Meeting: Wednesdays @ 7am
Pickleberry Ladies coffee & catch-up: Thursdays @ 11

Opportunity to worship: Friday 7pm (see Steve D.)

# Trowbridge Debt Advice Service

#### **Local Debt Advice:**

We have been asked to highlight the work of the Trowbridge Debt Advice Service, especially as we do not

have any CAP (Christians Against Poverty) Centres in this area. This is a completely free face-to-face impartial and confidential advice service at 55 Stallard Street, Trowbridge (01225 777865). CAP does have a good website with lots of advice if you are aware of anyone who needs such help and advice:

https://capuk.org/get-help/cap-debt-help/otheroptions



#### **Update from Esther:**

May 2024

Dear church,

Rejoice, Spring appears to have finally sprung! With the change of season, I'm moving into my own change of season as I'm winding down

ministerial formation with just three Wednesdays at college left during May before finishing altogether. Then all of the sudden, three years have gone just like that! Although my thesis has been submitted, I have my Viva exam on Wednesday 5th June so would appreciate your prayers that I don't have too many amends to make.

During May my church days will be Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. As always, any visitors to the office are very welcome.

**Every Blessing** 

Esther

#### Other Notices:

#### **Preachers during May**

5th: Esther (with Neil G.)

12th: Martin S (with Esther)

19th: Graham W (with Trevor P) - Communion

26th: Graeme Ross of Bethesda BC (with Allison S)

Please note that all of our sermons are recorded (normally available the next day) and can be accessed from our church website:

http://www.brattonbaptistchurch.org.uk/ servicerecordings/

**Also this month:** 16th May at 7.30pm:

**Church Members Meeting** 

**Our new Daytime Group:** There will be a new daytime group meeting on Monday mornings at 11am in the top lounge at the chapel. This will be



an opportunity for fellowship and Bible study. The first session will be on the 10th June. If you would like more detail, please speak to either Chris Smith or Esther.

#### Praying for each other & others:

- 1] The following members of our congregation: the Sarkar & Smith families
- **2] Tea Time Service**—as folk gather for a more reflective service each month, enjoying the hymns of previous generations and a lovely tea of nice cakes, etc.
- **3]** For our **Church Members** as they meet on the 16th May.
- **4]** For **peace-makers** involved with the conflicts around the world, especially in the Middle East.

For further information please contact Esther: esther@brattonbaptistchurch.org.uk

Please note that details about services and events are also on our facebook and Instagram pages as well as our noticeboards and on the Bratton Parish Council website:

#### https://brattonparishcouncil.gov.uk/brattonbaptist-church-news/

If you wish to include something in next month's Newsletter, please let me have it (electronically or on paper) by the 28th of the previous month - (other than February, of course).

By just telling me of something will probably mean that I will have forgotten it, by the time I get home!

Graham

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### Recent Church photos:

Far and near reminders of this year's Good Friday Pilgrimage Walk

(taken by Graham H and Esther)





#### ...and finally:



"The promise of the coming of the Holy Spirit as a Person was fulfilled at Pentecost. Since then, the Holy Spirit seeks to come to each believer individually, as a Person. We can no longer speak merely of an influence, or an operation, or a manifestation, or

of some impersonal power. The Holy Spirit is just as much a Person as God the Father, or God the Son; and it is in this individual and personal way that He now seeks, in this dispensation, to come to the believer."

[Derek Prince]

