

Wednesday March 31st 2021

Dear friends of Southcourt Baptist Church,

Welcome to the latest news email for Southcourt Baptist Church.



Date	Time	Event	Details
Friday April 2nd Good Friday	10 to 11am	Good Friday Zoom Communion	Join us for a Good Friday Zoom church service led by David Graham This will include Communion so please have your own bread and wine to hand. Join Zoom Meeting <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83306673999?pwd=OVFDQ29z</u> <u>S085cFpMdEsxbmpqN0IPUT09</u> Meeting ID: 833 0667 3999 Passcode: 060156
Friday April 2nd	The prayer suggestions can be used at any time, any day and anywhere!	Friday prayers	The prayer suggestions will be available every Wednesday. If you would like a copy please contact Tim and Jean on <u>friday.prayers@southcourt.org</u> .
Sunday April 4th - Easter Sunday	10.30am	Sunday Service in the building	This will be in the building on Easter Sunday. Please book your place via the church office. The service will also still be available on-line Please join us via the You Tube link <u>Southcourt Baptist Church</u> or via the website https://southcourtbaptist.org.uk/ - just click on when you are on the website For more information on youth and children's work, contact Michelle, lain or James. There will be no youth work this morning and Lifekidz will be on Zoom from 9.30am. Little Lifekidz will be sent via What's App on Saturday as usual.
Sunday April 4th - Easter Sunday		Zoom coffee time	As we will be in the building, there will be no Zoom coffee time today.

Friday April 9th	9am to 12.30 pm	Bridge the Gap	Our food bank is open on a Monday and Friday each week. Please ring or email the office first if you are able to donate food to the church or would like to help in other ways. Please also contact the church office if you are struggling and would appreciate some food. If you can donate, here is our current list of stock needed : <i>Corned beef, biscuits, tinned tomatoes, rice pudding,</i> <i>small jars of coffee, sugar, tinned meat, pot noodles,</i> <i>washing powder, custard, tinned fruit, tinned fish.</i> We also need empty egg boxes.
Friday April 9th	the prayer suggestions can be used at any time, any day and anywhere!	Friday prayers	As above
Sunday April 11th	10.30am	Sunday Service - online service	<ul> <li>The service will be available on-line</li> <li>Please join us via the You Tube link</li> <li>Southcourt Baptist Church</li> <li>or via the website https://southcourtbaptist.org.uk/</li> <li>- just click on when you are on the website</li> <li>For more information on youth and children's work, contact Michelle, Iain or James. There will be no youth work this morning</li> </ul>
Sunday April 11th	11.30am or a few minutes after the service has finished	Zoom coffee time	As we won't be meeting in the building, we'd love you to join us for a catch up at the <b>Zoom coffee time</b> , led by David and Jean Finn, starting at 11.30 or soon after the service ends. If you haven't joined before, it's a relaxed time - to sit with your cuppa, to see church family and friends, and just share something of how things are going. Join Zoom Meeting Link <u>https://zoom.us/j/94578947981?pwd=dEpCbTFv</u> <u>cONIV2pNeVI5VzEyK1dJUT09</u> Meeting ID: 945 7894 7981 Passcode: 110963
Monday April 12th	9am to 12.30 pm	Bridge the Gap	As above
Monday April 12th	10am	English Conversation Group	A free informal friendly get-together to chat, exchange experiences and have fun whilst exercising and improving your English language skills. This is for anyone who wishes to improve their English conversational skills and is currently held on Zoom.

	Please email Howard at EngConv@outlook.com for
	more information

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Test and Trace Covid 19 App	When visiting the church, if you can, please "check-in" via the App. The QR code is on the side, Jubilee Hall and front doors.
Coronavirus advice	In case you've missed the latest advice, here's a link to the government site <u>Coronavirus (COVID-19): guidance and support</u> . We are now under National Lockdown although from March 29th, we can meet outdoors with up to 6 people.
Access to the office	Please note that all essential visitors to the office must wear face-masks
Access to the building	If you are a volunteer or heading up a particular group, please ensure that you sign in and out at the desk at the bottom of the office stairs. This is for fire procedure purposes. Please also wear a mask and keep a 2m distance from anyone else in the building.



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Prayer	If you would like to be able to send out prayer requests to our people and also to receive requests to pray for, please let Liz know and she can add you to the mailing list - prayer@southcourt.org.
Lifegroups	If you are not already part of a small group, which is where we do real life together and support each other as church, please contact Mark or Jenny for more information.
Mark on Finances	At the recent Annual General Meeting, I shared a few thoughts from 2 Corinthians 9 where it says 'Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give' (v7). As I suggested during the meeting, with the fact that we are moving into the new financial year, it may be a good time for us all to pray and reflect on what God is putting on our hearts to give to the work of God's church, across the town, the country and the world.
	If you don't already give to the work of the church and would like more information please feel free to contact me. If you already give, thank you! If you would like to give financially to the work of the church, visit the website for more information -
	https://www.southcourtbaptist.org.uk/SBC_DONATE.htm
IT	A big thank you to Jonny C for all his hard work and support on the IT systems and set up over the years. Jonny has decided to take a break due to his work commitments - although he will still be doing tech on a Sunday morning. We are very grateful Jonny



Music choice	This is an opportunity to share a single piece of music from any genre that's had a significant impact on us. I would love to hear from you so that I can share from across the church community. Another way of helping us remember that we are one. This week it's from Lou C. "It was one of my Dad's favourite songs & brings back many wonderful memories of him. It's been a tough year for many of us but the song is also a reminder of God's amazing creation in the world we live in" to Louis Armstrong - What A Wonderful World (Official Video)	
Quote	<i>"Whatever our gift, we are called to give it and to dance for the renewal of the world</i> ". Robin Wall Kimmerer	
Good News	We now have a brand new defibrillator on the outside corner of the main church. Having been vandalised, we had a bit of a gap without it. A big thanks to David F for all his hard work in getting it up and running again.	
Prayer Resource	UNITE 714 - https://www.unite714.com/weekly-prayer	
Creation Care Tip	I've recently given up using cling film in the kitchen at home. I've discovered that beeswax covers or even some plastic covers that can be washed work just as well. There are a number of reasons why we should avoid cling film but here's one - "Like plastic bags cling film that ends up in the sea is easily confused for jellyfish by marine animals and chokes turtles and other creatures that feed on them".	
Women's conference	This was shared by Jean H: "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland." Isaiah 43:18–19 (NIV) <b>Wells in the Wilderness</b> Women's conference exploring the theme of Isaiah 43:18-19. Speakers include Amy Boucher Pye, Rachel Turner, Claire Musters, Mags Duggan and Catherine Butcher. When: Friday 23 April 2021 Time: 10:00 – 15:00 Place: Online Event Cost: £15.00 https://www.brfonline.org.uk/products/wells-in-the-wilderness?_pos=1&_sid=478c73a aa&_ss=r	
New Bible Resource	Our own Martin Manser is delighted to announce that his extended translation (paraphrase) of the New Testament <b>Word Come Alive</b> is now available from Accordance Bible Software: <u>https://www.accordancebible.com/product/word-come-alive/</u> Well done Martin!	

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Facebook groups/pages		https://www.facebook.com/southcourtbaptistchurch https://www.facebook.com/groups/bridgethegapaylesb ury https://www.facebook.com/BerthasSBC https://www.facebook.com/groups/messychurchayles bury For SBC Children and SBC Youth, you will need to contact lain or James.
Global Mission		Contact Lydia, Our Global Links Coordinator at gmission@southcourt.org.

Aylesbury Churches	If you would like to get any emails that we receive into the office, please let me know and I will add you to the list.
Baptist Union	If you would like to get any emails that we receive into the office, please let me know and I will add you to the list.

The next news email will be produced on April 14th

