



Prayer for July

Comforting and restoring God,

For those times when we need to let go of those things which have become too much to handle, the weight, the stress, the pressure, we seek your wisdom and guidance in making the decisions we need to, no matter how difficult they may be.

For those times when we need to break down those things in life which get in the way, the pain, the anger, the weariness, we seek your grace and peace to do what is required, regardless of the challenges which follow.

For those times when we need to build something different, new bridges, new paths, new plans, we seek your strength and resilience to face the journey ahead, despite the uncertainty awaiting us.

Source, guide and goal, of all that is, you have created us, you know us and you love us. You will not forsake us. You will always be with us. Help us, then, to know when it is right to stop, rebuild, pray and go, that we might ever serve you and reach our potential in, with and through you.

These we ask in your name, and for your glory, Amen.

Eco Church

Caring for creation and seeking a just sharing of the world's resources are fundamental Gospel commitments and in recognition of this the Tab is setting out on a journey towards Eco Church accreditation.

The **Eco Church scheme** recognises churches steps to nurture life and the planet across five areas including worship and teaching, buildings and community. An initial survey shows that we are within reach of bronze status. One area we could improve on is using and promoting more Fairtrade products.

Bobbie Spears has been doing an amazing job single-handedly running the Traidcraft stall whenever she can after church in the Vibe but now she has extra commitments with TabToo we would like extra volunteers to come forward to help setting up and packing away and running the stall. If anyone - of any age - is interested in joining the Eco Church team or in helping with the stall Clare or Bobbie would be delighted to hear from you.

Engaging with...

A series of evenings looking at how we as Christians engage with people of other faiths and beliefs.

Tuesday evenings 7.30pm in the Joan Kingham Chapel led by Simon Helme

Many Christians are fearful of engaging in conversation with people of other faiths - thinking they may be hostile to Christian beliefs and conversations about the bible.

These meetings are designed to help Christians understand more about other's beliefs and the questions and issues they have about Christian faith and how we can share with them the good news we have.

- ◆ Tuesday 24th July 7.30pm
Engaging with Atheists
- ◆ Tuesday 31st July 7.30pm
Engaging with Muslims
- ◆ Tuesday 7th August 7.30pm
Engaging with Hindus
- ◆ Tuesday 14th August 7.30pm
Engaging with Jehovah Witnesses

JULY CALENDAR

Tue 3rd	Prayer Group	9.30am Chapel
Wed 4th	Colour Yourself Calm	1.30pm Comm
Fri 6th	House of Prayer	7.30pm Chapel
Tue 10th	Prayer Group	9.30am Chapel
Tue 10th	Knitting Group	2pm Church
Wed 11th	Colour Yourself Calm	1.30pm Comm
Thu 12th	Elders Meeting	7.30pm Vibe
Fri 13th	House of Prayer	7.30pm Chapel
Tue 17th	Prayer Group	9.30am Chapel
Tue 17th	Property team meeting	7.30pm
Wed 18th	Wedding of Natalie Franks & Lee Butler	12pm
Wed 18th	Colour Yourself Calm	1.30pm Comm
Fri 20th	House of Prayer	7.30pm Chapel
Tue 24th	Prayer Group	9.30am Chapel
Wed 25th	Colour Yourself Calm	1.30pm Comm
Fri 27th	House of Prayer	7.30pm Chapel

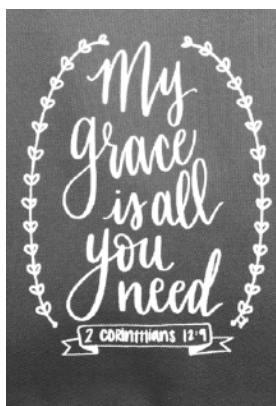
Next Church Meeting
Sunday 16th September



Tab Cafe is open 10-1 on Wednesday mornings term time. Volunteers always welcomed - especially at clear up @1pm :)
See Emma for info

The Minister is away on holiday
28th June to 9th July

Enjoy a well deserved break, Simon!



JULY WORSHIP

Sunday 1st July 10.30am
Communion Service led by Liz Swanwick
Theme: 2 Corinthians: The Joy of Giving.
Readings: 2 Cor. 8.1-15

Sunday 8th July 10.30am
Service led by Rod Irvine
Theme: 2 Corinthians: Strength in Weakness.
Readings: 2 Cor. 12.1-10

Sunday 15th July 10.30am
Service led by Rev Simon Helme including Thanksgiving for the birth of Ernest Atkins
Theme: Ephesians: Gathered in Christ.
Readings: Ephesians 1.1-14; 1.15-23

Sunday 22nd July 10.30am
Service led by Revd Steve Faber, Moderator of URC West Midlands Synod
Theme: Ephesians: Household of God.
Readings: Ephesians 2.11-22

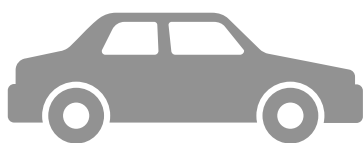
Sunday 29th July 10.30am
Service led by Carole Allen
Theme: Ephesians: I pray.....
Readings: Ephesians 3.14-21

Church Weekend 2018

This year's Tab Family Holiday weekend will take place at Hill House <https://hillhouse.org.uk/> in Somerset from **Friday 12th to Sunday 14th October 2018**.

For those who haven't experienced a Tab Family weekend, photographs and film clips on the Tab website <http://www.dursleytab.org.uk/wplive/index.php> will give you an idea of the kind of fun and fellowship we share, but for more information please talk to Carole Allen or Simon Helme.

Booking for the 2018 weekend is now open; full details are provided on an information sheet which has a booking form on the reverse. Forms can be collected from the memorial table in the sanctuary. Completed forms and deposits must be returned to Carole to secure a place.

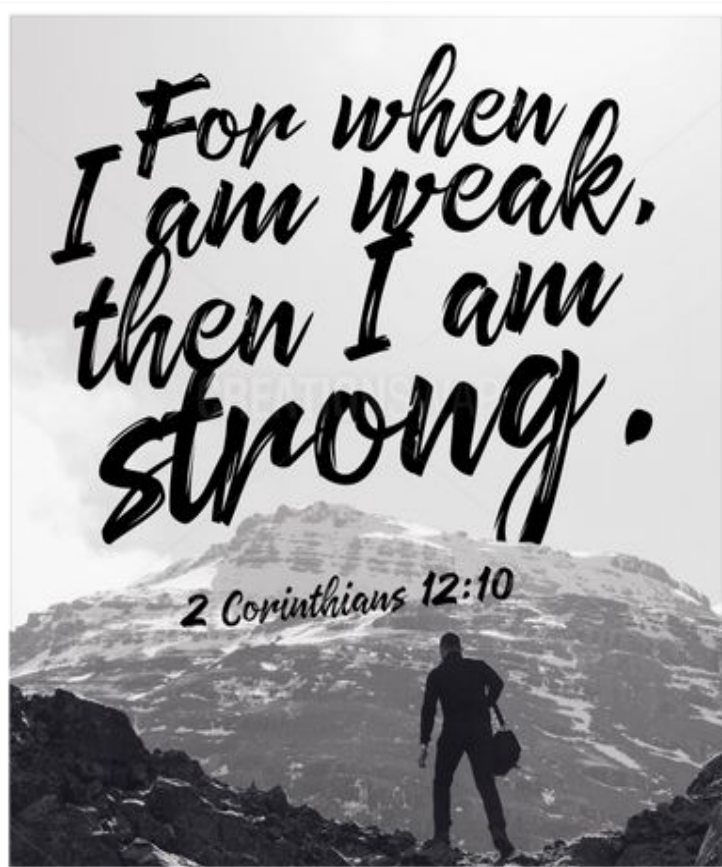


The District Council are proposing introducing charges for car parking in the centre of Dursley. If you have concerns about this please write to your Councillor or see the Church Secretary

CHURCH FLOWERS

FLOWERS FOR JUNE WERE KINDLY GIVEN BY
Ron Heathman, Aimee & Lloyd Cockram, Helene Dalrymple, Lewis Reynolds (Thanksgiving Service),
Sally Larkham Thank you

Donations of money, flowers or foliage are welcomed for the church flowers - the flowers form an important part of the ministry at the Tab; at the end of the service they are distributed to those who are unwell in our community.



CARNIVAL DURSLEY Music Festival

13th-15th July 2018
Dursley Recreation Field
<https://carnivaldursley.yourticketbooking.com/p/festival>

3 DAYS OF FUN!

FAMILY FUN WEEKEND

Activities: TALENT SHOW, SANDY BEACH, LIVE MUSIC!, TRIBUTE ACTS, FANCY DRESS PARADE, CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES, FUNFAIR & INFLATABLES, MOUNTAIN BIKE STUNT SHOW, OPEN AIR CINEMA, VINTAGE CAFE, BAR, COMEDY, CRAFTS, SOFT PLAY, DANCE WORKSHOP, DJ WORKSHOP, FOOTBALL SKILLS, HAVE A GO BIKE COURSE.

