# Children's and Youth Work at Guiseley Baptist Church

#### Sunday Mornings

Sessions for children and youth run alongside our Sunday morning worship. The children's session is for children up to Year 6 and the youth sessions are for young people from Year 7 to 17 years of age.

# Sunday Evenings

**Youth Alpha:** every Sunday from 5:30-7pm. It allows young people to discuss different topics of faith. Food is provided.

### Midweek Activities

- **Table Tennis Club:** Mondays from 4-5:30pm for children from Year 5 to 17 years ofage. Term time only.
- **GCT Kids Club:** Mondays from 6-7:15pm for children aged 5 11 years old. Meets term time only at Guiseley Methodist Church.
- **Mainly Music:** Fridays from 10-11am for pre-school aged children. £3 entry fee per family, includes refreshments for adults and children.

**GBC Youth:** Fridays from 7-8:30pm for young people from Year 7 to 17 years of age. Various different games and activities including pool, table tennis and Xbox

### Please contact Joe Millar for more information.

All of our groups are led according to our GBC safeguarding policy, which can be viewed on the GBC website - <u>www.guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk</u>

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# 20<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Summer Sundays (July & Aug) A summer of Psalms

# What are Psalms?

The book of Psalms is a collection of 150 ancient Hebrew poems, songs, and prayers that come from different eras in Israel's history.

Join us through the summer as we seek to explore some of these great poems, songs and prayers to see what they have to say to us today.

Our hope is that as we dip into the Psalms together you will find encouragement, hope and a new connection to God as he speaks through the words.

Refreshments will be served at the end of the service; please do join us for a hot drink and a chat!

Audio recordings of previous sermons can be found on our website if you would like to catch up or revisit earlier sermon series

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# Welcome to Guiseley Baptist Church!

If you are visiting us today, we give you a warm welcome and trust you will feel at home. Do make sure you take a 'welcome bag' they are full of information about the church, and they also have a contact card for you to fill in if you would like to keep in touch with us.

If you'd like to know more about GBC and what we do, please speak to one of the leadership team. Alternatively, our website- <u>www.guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk</u> - gives up to date details of church activities.

# **Martin's Musing**

I want to thank you for the warm welcome you have given to Carita and myself as we join you for this new beginning and journey together. We are very excited to be with you and are looking forward to getting to know you over the weeks, months and years ahead. Please bear with us as we learn names and don't be afraid to grab us to say hello, we don't want to miss anyone.

If you need to contact me you will find my phone number and email in the contact information at the end of this newsletter, please feel free to message or call me. **My day off will usually be Fridays**.

I hope that you will be able to join us on **Saturday 26 July at 2pm** for my induction service, although I have already begun my ministry with you this is the time when we formally commit ourselves to working together in the mission and ministry of the church. I hope this will be a real celebration and the launch pad into an exciting future together. There will be a tea after the service so please make sure you sign up so that we can make sure we can cater for everyone. If you can bring something to share that would also be helpful, please add it to the list on Sunday. Please contact Sue Tofrik (contact details at the end of the newsletter) if you have any questions.

A bible verse that has been significant for us as a couple as we have sought to know God's plans for us comes from Joshua 1 vs 9. It says:

# Remember that I commanded you to be strong and brave. So don't be afraid. The Lord your God will be with you everywhere you go."

This is also my prayer for GBC as we start this new adventure together.

# Summer Holiday Club – 11-15 August

We will be arranging a week of games, action songs, crafts & stories for primary school children (and those due to start in September) from 10am to 2pm. If you haven't already, please see Joe to sign your child up.

# Church Members Meeting -Wednesday 23 July 7.30pm

Please come along to this meeting that is open to all. We have 2 vacancies on the diaconate and 2 nominations to be considered.

# **New Church Directory**

We are updating our directory and plan to reprint it after the summer. A draft is in the foyer, please take a look to check that your details are correct. If you are not currently included and would like to be, please see Sue Tofrik.

# Foodbank

Just a note to mention items that are needed now:

- Tinned soup
- Tinned vegetables e.g. peas, carrots
- Tinned fruit
- Pasta sauce
- Curry sauce

- Shampoo
- Shower gel
- Nappies size 5 and 6
- Deodorant

# A message from Joe - Children's and Young People's Groups

Most of our groups will finish for the summer holidays this week and recommence first week of September.

There will be no formal Sunday morning sessions for the children and young people. However, upstairs will be available for families where craft activities and a video will be set out each week.

If you would like to put any information in the church notice sheet, please email

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