



# Altrincham

## BAPTIST CHURCH

### Welcome to ABC

**Sundays at ABC** are the times when we gather together as a whole church, in the presence of God. We pray, sing and read scripture in order that we might follow Jesus. As we do these things we open ourselves to the power and influence of God's Spirit, as he forgives, restores, heals and guides us. In this way, we find purpose and meaning, hope and grace for all that life holds.

**New to ABC** - If you are visiting ABC for the first time and wish to find out more about us, please fill in one of our 'Welcome Leaflets' (available in the stand in the atrium and landing foyers) or a 'Welcome Card' in the back of the chairs. Please hand it in to one of the stewards.

**Can we pray with you?** - After each service, there are members of our church who will be happy to pray with you about anything that may be on your heart. Anyone is welcome to come and receive prayer. The team will be in the front left hand corner.

### Sunday 11th February 2018

This week at ABC, the story of Jesus takes a dramatic turn. Having had John so brilliantly describe for us who this man Jesus is, the mood changes and Jesus' inexorable journey to the cross now takes more focus. Its as if the wide and easy flow of the river, now enters a canyon where rapids and danger loom. No longer free to preach and minister with impunity, Jesus is now a marked man and what awaits will require focus, unhuman resources of courage and an unshakeable belief that this is the only possible road he can take.

#### 10am 'The Plot to kill Jesus'

John 11 : 45-57

There will also be communion during this service

**4pm Newcomers Tea** - if you are new/ish to ABC and want to find out more about us a community, come along

**6.30pm Open to God - "Listening to God for ABC and ourselves : Jesus is our light"** Come along expectant to hear from God

**Quote for the week :** *'With all due respect to the religions of the world, there is no other story like the Christian story. The god who thunders, the god who persecutes and condemns, the god who wreaks vengeance - yes, we know this god from the caricatures... "The Old Testament God" is the one who has come down from his throne on high into the world of sinful human flesh and of his own free will and decision has come under his own judgment in order to deliver us from everlasting condemnation and bring us into eternal life. He has not required human sacrifice; he has himself become the human sacrifice. He has not turned us over and forsaken us; he was himself turned over and forsaken.'*

Fleming Rutledge,

author of The Crucifixion: Understanding the Death of Jesus Christ

# What's on



**Lent prayer** - As we head into the season of Lent this week, you may like to know that there are some resources available for you, Several prayer stations will be set up in the Hub Still Space (just off the Hub cafe)

for you to dip into during Lent (Mon-Fri 10am-4pm) from Ash Wednesday through to Easter (closed on Good Friday). No need to book a slot, just turn up.



**Thursday 15th February - Prayer and Vision evening at the Hub, from 7.30pm-10pm.** Worship, prayer, stories plus

exploring the ABC's vision for ministry at the Hub. We have a rare opportunity to use the whole of the Hub building for this evening. The café will be open with drinks & cake to purchase, we will gather together in the large hall and with opportunity to then spread into the other rooms.



**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February, Church Walk** - join us after church for a short walk at Dunham Massey. Meet at 2.30pm at the picnic area near the visitors centre. For more information, contact Dave Arthur.



**Tuesday 20th February - For the Bible Tells me So, 8pm at Hale Rd.** Six weeks to deepen, develop and excite your understanding of the greatest book ever.

**2nd- 4th March 2018 - Men's Weekend at home : We are now taking bookings** - if you would like to attend this weekend please sign up in the foyer.

Details are: Friday evening at Lymm Baptist Church, Saturday morning at ABC, Saturday evening at People's Church, Partington

Cost £5 to attend 1 session, £10 for 2 or all sessions

Cheques should be made out to Altrincham Baptist Church



**Church Weekend Away 2018 - Booking is commencing** Pick up a brochure and booking form today for the church weekend away 22nd-24th June at Cefn Lea.

## Life at ABC - news & info

**Plates & Crockery** - Have you brought some food this last week or in months previously? There are various items that have been left - if you think there may be something may be yours take a look in the boxes in the downstairs foyer. Items need to be claimed by 11th February.

**Hub Drop In, Monday Lunch** is a growing community! Could you offer a couple of hours on a Monday to join the existing small team who run the Hub Drop In to make and serve lunch and simply chat to those who come? For further information please speak to one of the existing team: Liz Partridge or Sharon Gleave or alternatively contact Claire Gregory on 07894 728884

### **Senga Pots MVA**

Rachel and Paula would like to thank everyone for their generosity in saving their pennies and pounds over Christmas to raise money for Senga, a Ugandan lady who supports children in the slum of Jinja. A massive £417.95 was raised. This will make a big difference to her life this year. Thank you.

## Regular Activities

The following activities take place each week during term-time, mostly at The Hub unless stated.

### Sunday

|      |  |         |
|------|--|---------|
|      | Children's Church @ Hale Rd                      | 0-11yrs |
| 10am | Breakfast Club meet @ Hale Rd then go to The Hub | 11yrs + |
| 3pm  | Au Pairs (4th Sunday)                            |         |
| 6pm  | What's Next                                      | 11yrs + |

### Tuesday

|      |                   |        |
|------|-------------------|--------|
| 10am | Toddlers          | 0-3yrs |
|      | English Class     | adult  |
| 2pm  | Watercolour Class | adult  |

### Wednesday

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|---------|---|---------|
| 10am    | Toddlers  | 0-3yrs  |
| 12.30pm | Women Welcome for prayer & lunch (2nd Wed)              |         |
| 1.30pm  | Healthy Hips & Hearts (weekly except 1st week of month) | seniors |
|         | Good Companions (1st Wed) no meeting in Jan             | adults  |
| 2.30pm  | Meeting Point (3rd Wed) - 17th January                  | adults  |

### Thursday

|      |                                      |        |
|------|--------------------------------------|--------|
| 10am | Toddlers                             | 0-3yrs |
| 2pm  | Knit & Natter                        |        |
| 8pm  | Church Meeting (3rd Thurs ) @Hale Rd |        |

### Friday

|         |                          |         |
|---------|--------------------------|---------|
| 10am    | Baby & Toddler morning   | 0-3yrs  |
| 10.30am | Journaling - fortnightly | adults  |
| 1.30pm  | Healthy Hips & Hearts    | seniors |
| 6.30pm  | Transformers @ Hale Rd   | 7-11yrs |

### Saturday

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| 9.30am | Contact Centre | Referred places |
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## The Message Trust Night Live on 22 February 2018 at the Message Enterprise Centre.

TNL is a relaxed evening of live acoustic music with hot food and both alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks. This months TNL features the amazing **Lily Jo**, a Christian pop singer from Manchester. Lily Jo is the former lead singer of LZ7 and last March toured with X Factor winner Ben Haenow.

Tickets can be bought from <https://www.message.org.uk/thursday-night-live-february-2018/>

## Trans World Radio - Administration and Finance Assistant (16 hrs/week)

TWR is seeking a self-motivated person with relevant experience , excellent interpersonal and communication skills for this vital role with administrative, financial and spiritual dimensions. The successful candidate will be our primary contact with supporters.

For further details and an application form, please contact: Dr Russell Farnworth, [rfarnworth@twr.org.uk](mailto:rfarnworth@twr.org.uk)  
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[www.twr.org.uk/vacancies](http://www.twr.org.uk/vacancies)

Closing date: 23rd February, 2018

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