



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 15th April 2018

We welcome John McGinley as our guest this morning. He will be speaking to us on Mission and Discipleship.

John is New Wine's Regional Director for the Midlands and East Region and Vicar of Holy Trinity Church, Leicester – a resource church seeking to encourage and support the mission of churches in Leicestershire and beyond.

It's great we can meet John as he will be joining us for our Church Weekend in June.

John has written a book called Mission-Shaped Grace which is an attempt to capture what John believes God has been teaching His people about mission in our modern-day culture.

10am 'Mission Being at the Heart of Discipleship'

Mark 1: 16-20

4pm Newcomers Welcome Tea : Come along to the upper lounge to find out more about our church community. Access will be via the Byrom St entrance.

6.30pm 'My Inheritance'

This will be a youth themed service

Quote for the week : *"A wonderful guide to what it truly means to be a disciple."*

Gavin Calver, Director of Mission England and
Evangelical Alliance commenting on Mission-Shaped Grace

What's on



Wednesday 18th April - Meeting Point, 2.30pm at the Hub. Meeting Point is a relaxed, friendly service which includes hymns, worship songs, prayers and a talk by a guest speaker. This month, our speaker is John Golamhossen. Everyone is welcome.



Thursday 19th April - Prayer and Vision, 8pm at Hale Rd Come and join us to worship God, share and pray about what God might want for ABC. If you've not been before to a prayer and vision evening they are a great time to be together and hear stories of people moving forward with God. A real opportunity to be encouraged so why not join us.



Friday 20th April - Journaling, 10.30am fortnightly. This term we are reading together Daring Greatly by Brene Brown this will help us experiment with creative journaling. Contact Isabelle Djossou for more info.

25th April, 2nd May and 9th May - CAP Money Course is a FREE revolutionary money management course which will help anyone to get more in control of their finances, so they can budget, save and prevent debt. They will be running over 3 consecutive Wednesday evenings, 7.45pm at Hale Rd. There will be 2 other courses running at Oldfield Brow Primary School on 10th May, 17th May and 24th May at 7.45pm and at The Hub Community Centre 2nd July, 9th July and 23rd July at 10.45am.

To register please go to www.capmoney.org and secure a place online, or for further information about the course then speak with Sarah Hayes or Claire Gregory

Thursday 3rd May - Fish, Chips and Magic Tricks CAP Client Event 7pm - 9pm at Hale Rd. Rod Williams, from CAP Head Office, will be performing magic tricks and will be speaking about his journey to faith after a period of being involved in drug crime. If you would like to join us for this event or know of someone who you think his story could impact then please book a ticket through Claire Gregory on 07894 728884 or clairegregory@capuk.org. Tickets will be £5 to cover the cost of the fish and chips. Rod has written a book called 'The Real Deal'-if anyone would like a copy of his book then please get in touch.

Dates for your Diary

8th, 9th or 10th May - Evangelism Training

Do you struggle to share your faith? Do you wonder what the point of sharing faith is? Do you have unhelpful associations with the word 'evangelism?' Would you like to learn more about how you might share your faith most effectively? Or are you just interested in what good evangelism looks like?

If you answer yes to any of these questions, this is for you!

We believe that each person in our church has a story to share and would love to help you work out how to do this most effectively. To this end, we are delighted to have Mat Walls from the Message joining us to deliver three training sessions on Tuesday 8th, Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th May 8pm at Hale Road. This will be the same session repeated over three evenings to give everyone in the church the chance to attend.

So, choose a date, put it in your diary and if you have any questions, please contact Ashley or Helen.

Friday May 11th - Care for the Family 'Let's Stick Together' course. This will be an hour during the Friday Café at the Hub. Contact Sarah Court for more info.



Church Weekend Away 2018, 22nd-24th June at Cefn Lea. -

Book now to avoid disappointment. Pick up a brochure and booking form today for the church weekend away or email

churchweekend@altrinchambaptist.org

The speaker for the weekend will be John McGinley and we are pleased that John will be here with us next Sunday, 15th April.

Life at ABC - news & info

Data protection review - have you received a questionnaire? As mentioned at last month's church meeting we are in the process of reviewing our processes around data protection with the forthcoming new regulations coming out in May. If you are a ministry/group leader and have received a questionnaire by email about data you might hold in relation to church activities, please do complete soon and return to Sarah Hayes/ Tony Gathercole. Do contact them with any questions. Many thanks

Election of Elders 2018

The process for the election for Elders/Trustees will take place in June 2018 at the AGM. The church constitution provides that church members are invited to recommend names of those they consider would be suitable to be an Elder/Trustee and from those names the existing elders nominate a certain number of people. At the AGM the church members decide and appoint by a ballot vote.

By rotation, Nicola Avery and Mick Court stand down. They may stand again as an Elder if nominated. Both Nicola and Mick have indicated that they will stand again for another term, if nominated.

This year the Elders propose four vacancies and therefore you are free to recommend up to four people who are Church members.

Some more detailed notes setting out the process will be made available to members by email/post shortly.

If you are a member and wish to recommend names you should return the recommendation sheet to either Ashley Hardingham or to Stephen Hayes. You can send an email form if you wish to ashleyhardingham@altrinchambaptist.org or to secretary@altrinchambaptist.org.

Hard copy or email recommendation forms are available by contacting the Church Office, the Hub office or Ashley or Stephen.

THE LAST DATE FOR RECOMMENDATIONS IS BY 12 NOON ON SUNDAY 22nd APRIL 2018

Regular Activities

The following activities will take place

Sunday

	Children's Church @ Hale Rd	0-11yrs
10am	Breakfast Club meet @ Hale Rd then go to The Hub	11yrs +
6pm	What's Next	11yrs +

Tuesday

10am	Toddlers restarts 17/4	0-3yrs
	English Class restarts 17/4	adult
2pm	Watercolour Class	adult

Wednesday

10am	Toddlers restarts 18/4	0-3yrs
12.30pm	Women Welcome for prayer & lunch (2nd Wed)	
1.30pm	Healthy Hips & Hearts (weekly except 1st week of month)	seniors
	'1st Wednesday'	adults
2.30pm	Meeting Point (3rd Wed)	adults

Thursday

10am	Toddlers restarts 19/4	0-3yrs
2pm	Knit & Natter	
8pm	Church Meeting (3rd Thurs) @Hale Rd	

Friday

10am	Baby & Toddler morning restarts 20/4	0-3yrs
10.30am	Journaling - fortnightly restarts 20/4	adults
1.30pm	Healthy Hips & Hearts	seniors
6.30pm	Transformers @ Hale Rd restarts 20/4	7-11yrs

Saturday

9.30am	Contact Centre	Referred places
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Care for the Family - Connected : Confident Parenting in a Digital Age, June 13th, 7.30pm—9.30pm at !Audacious Church Manchester M3 7BD . Do you feel out of touch with your child's online habits? Join Katharine Hill and Philip Jinadu at our brand new event . They'll explore the highs and lows of the digital world and how to nurture online resilience. Early Bird tickets £4 Book online : www.careforthefamily.org.uk/events/parenting-events/connected#booking or contact Sarah Court.

Job Opportunities -

Charnwood Trust Family Centre a Christian foundation based in Stockport are looking to recruit a Business Manager, closing date 20/4 & Caretaker. To find out more www.charnwoodnursery.org.uk/job-vacancies.

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