



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 13th May 2018

Can you see what God is doing?

If we take a moment and step back and look, we may well notice that God is doing remarkable things in us. The Church Weekend is on the horizon and as such we excitedly anticipate an injection of apostolic input as John McGinley inspires to fully grasp what we are '**Becoming...**' in Christ.

And what's more, this week the fantastic Mat Wall trained us in evangelism - **sharing the Gospel and sharing our story**. What Mat has taught is now available on the website so take a look if you couldn't be there (or need a refresher), because what he did share has animated us to share our faith.

And finally, the passage for this Sunday. It's one of those crackerjack passages which preachers will always struggle to do justice to. **Paul's plain explanation of the Gospel** as recorded in Ephesians which so closely matches what Mat shared this past week.

All these elements, planned independently, yet all pointing to one thing - the wonder of the Gospel and the necessity that we share it. Can you see what God is doing?

10am Dead or Alive?

Ephesians 2: 1-10

6.30pm Open to God

Quote for the week : *Die to your dreams. Submission is Gods way when ambition might be ours.'*

Rich Wilkinson - Vours church
(the Minister who married Kanye West and Kim Kardashian)

What's on



10th -20th May - Thy Kingdom Come : Join the Global Wave of Prayer. Be a disciple: make disciples.

Prayer Space at the Hub - To support you in praying for your 5 people during this time, we've planned several prayer stations to help you pray in different creative ways. There'll be bits of strings and some white pebbles available, plus there'll be some nice visuals and a few other creative ways of praying including writing on a mirror, listening to some Taize music (through headphones) and writing the names of your 5 people on a heart and hanging it on a prayer tree to represent your prayers. The room will be available to be used 10am-4pm weekdays only during this period. No need to book, just drop in. Please note that as other people may be using the room at the same time as you, so please respect their space.

Monday 14th May 8pm - Men's Weekend - the Follow On

It was clear to all the men who attended the Men's Weekend with Nick Page, that there is, as apprentices of Jesus, the need to disciple one another. This in part means to share and support and challenge and encourage each other in our Following of Jesus. As such we want to invite any of the men of ABC who are not currently in a 'Huddle' to come along to ABC this Monday Evening at 8pm.

We will explain what a 'Huddle' is, you can give it a try, and see - as so many men have found, that this is an excellent way to develop as disciples in our ordinary, everyday lives. Please see Ash for further details.



Cancelled—Wednesday May 16th - ACT for Africa

Unfortunately, due to the late approval of a visa and an ill-timed staff flu -bug the planned event will not be going ahead.

Thursday May 17th 8pm - Church Meeting The next church meeting gathering is Thursday at Hale Road. You'll have seen from the separate flyer/notice that we are combining with the national prayer initiative 'Thy Kingdom Come' and will also be looking at how we celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Hub. Please do come and join in the conversation and prayer.

Sunday 10th June—Church Walk - join us for a 4 mile walk on the edge of Delamere Forest - the walk takes in a hill (Old Pale), from where there are fine views across the Cheshire Plain. We are meeting at Delamere Rail Station at 2:30pm. The train leaves Altrincham at 1:34pm or Hale at 1:37pm, arriving at Delamere at 2:17pm. There is also car parking at the station (pay and display). See the ABC Facebook group for more details or contact Dave Arthur

CAP Head Office Open Day Tuesday 12th June in Bradford. Join some clients and supporters as we go on a tour of head office, enjoy a Bradford curry and hear from charity founder John Kirkby. Leave 8am return 4.30pm. We will look to share out lifts to get as many over there as possible. Please contact Claire on 07894 728884 if you are interested as soon as possible so she can book you on and arrange transport.

Dates for your Diary



Becoming... Church Weekend Away 2018, 22nd-24th June

.....only 6 weeks to go until we head off to sunny Cefn Lea!

Booking forms are available from church. It would be great to have as many there as possible. Do contact one of the core team if finances are a concern. Questions about the weekend can be directed to churchweekend@altrinchambaptist.org Hope you can make it!

2nd July - 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. There will be a course running 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

Wednesday July 4th 8pm - Care for the Family 'Let's Stick Together'

course. A repeat of the hour long course run in May, helpful hints to keep marriages on track. This course will take place at Sarah Court's home, contact Sarah if you would like to attend.

Tuesday 10th July - Worship Team Night, Upper Lounge at Hale Rd (most likely at 8pm) It would be great to have as many of the worship team there as possible. We don't do them very often, but these evenings really help to connect us as a team, to inspire and challenge each other in our pursuit of serving Jesus and his people through this ministry.

30th, 31st July & 1st August - Summer Holiday Club

Helpers required for this fun activity teaching children about God and Jesus and their love for us. Please contact Sarah Court.

Life at ABC - news & info

Data protection regulations - in light of the forthcoming changes to data protection regulations later this month we have been carrying out a review of our practices and procedures. If you are involved in the life of ABC and we hold your details, we will be emailing or posting out to you details of our privacy statement regarding the data we hold and how we hold and use it. Questions in the first instance can be directed to Sarah Hayes sarahhayes@altrinchambaptist.org

Church AGM - the date has been changed for the AGM. It will now be held on 12th July

Hub 10th anniversary celebrations- did you know it is 10 years since we opened the Hub community centre? How time flies! We are going to be holding a number of events to celebrate reaching this anniversary and look ahead to the future. More information is to be given at the Church meeting this month. Do though put one key date in your diary.....**Sunday 22 July**, when we will be holding a Hub open day. Planning is just commencing, but will no doubt include a BBQ, crafts, bouncy castle. It's for all ages and all the community. Hope you can make it!

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	
6pm	What's Next	11yrs +
Tuesday		
10am	Toddlers	0-3yrs
	English Class	adult
2pm	Watercolour Class	adult
Wednesday		
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
	'First Wednesday'	adults
2.30pm	Meeting Point (3rd Wed) -	adults
Thursday		
10am	Toddlers	0-3yrs
2pm	Knit & Natter	
8pm	Church Meeting (3rd Thurs) @Hale Rd	
Friday		
10am	Baby & Toddler morning	0-3yrs
10.00am	Journaling - fortnightly	adults
1.30pm	Healthy Hips & Hearts	seniors
6.30pm	Transformers @ Hale Rd	7-11yrs
Saturday		
9.30am	Contact Centre	Referred places

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.

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