



# **WOODLANDS EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

**Blenheim Drive Allestree** [www.woodlandchurch](http://www.woodlandchurch)  
(Partner church at Springwood Drive, Oakwood)

**A warm welcome to our services today.  
Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2017 A.D.**

**\*\*Refreshments are served after the morning service and before the evening service. Do please join us.\*\***

**10.30am All age praise, prayer & Bible teaching  
Only these truths! Only Christ**

**Phil Butcher  
GIG/Impact & MIX in their groups**

**4.00pm Woodlands PM  
Who is my brother? Genesis 4:1-15**

**7.00pm Praise, prayer, communion & Bible teaching  
The transgender debate: a Christian perspective  
Tim Gunn**

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**Visiting? Please do take a moment to give us a record of your visit by filling in one of the “Welcome Cards” which can be found on the tables as you came in.**

If you are thinking about regularly worshipping with us, do take a WELCOME PACK, giving more details about ourselves and the activities that run mid-week – see one of the Stewards.

**Stewards can help you find your way around our building if you need assistance.**

Toy bags are available to borrow from the sideboard in the front foyer if you feel your children would appreciate them during the service. **Children & Young People have their own groups part way through the morning service. Crèche facilities are available.**

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## **This week at Woodlands – in the church & community – please be praying**

Monday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Half term for schools; 7.30pm Christianity Explored
Tuesday	24 <sup>th</sup>	Am Oaks
Wednesday	25 <sup>th</sup>	10am-4pm WI using the church building
Thursday	26 <sup>th</sup>	9am-1pm Fire maintenance work in the building
Friday	27 <sup>th</sup>	
Saturday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Am Gideons prayer meeting
Sunday	29 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>9.30am Prayer in the Burrow – all welcome!</b>  <b>10.30am All age praise, prayer &amp; Bible teaching</b>                      Only these truths! Only God's glory Tim Gunn                      GIG/Impact in their groups &amp; MIX in the service</p> <p><b>4.00pm Woodlands PM</b>                      Water, water everywhere Genesis 6&amp;7</p> <p><b>7.00pm Praise, prayer, communion &amp; Bible teaching</b>                      All things bright and beautiful: a Christian view of the arts David Ashman</p>

<b>Responsibilities</b>	<b>22/10/17</b>	<b>29/10/17</b>
<b>SEEDS</b>	Janine, Jane Z, Shufan & Charlotte	Susi D, Jane M & Megan
<b>Welcome Team:</b>	Tim & Jane	George & Mona
<b>Stewards:</b>	Greg & George T	Mona & Greg
<b>Stewards pm:</b>	David	David
<b>Duty Elder</b>	Tim/George	Jon/Mark
<b>Refreshments:</b>	Heather, Sue W, Kate, Don & Shirley	Philippa, Christine, Sue D & Carole W
<b>Refreshments pm</b>	Jonathan	Philippa
<b>Chairs:</b>	Trevor, Rich L & Jon H	Kevin & Sue
<b>Flowers:</b>	Maureen	Jo S

## **Events**

**Transgenderism - a Christian response:** What is it? Is it sin? Normal? A mental illness? Just plain weird? Tim Gunn, one of our full-time pastors, will be trying to help us get our heads around this current issue tonight at 7.00pm.

**Love Allestree litter pick:** This Allestree Churches Together event will be on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October, 9.30am to 11am. Meet at the recreation ground car park. There will be coffee and cakes served at St Edmunds at 11am. There is a poster on the noticeboard in the foyer with more information on.

**"All things bright and beautiful.....the Lord God made them all!":** The living God is an intensely imaginative, creative and aesthetically driven God. Just look at the world He has made! So how do we view more artistic pursuits in a very rational, conceptual and critiqued society? Art, drama, music, poetry etc.. Does God have anything to say on those subjects? And how can we as intentional Christians effectively evaluate the outcomes that are produced? Can Christians redeem these important areas of life from the ravaging effects of sin? Come and explore this subject with David Ashman, Head of the Creative Arts Faculty at a Secondary School in Derby, next Sunday evening at 7.00pm.

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**Krazy Kings party:** This event on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October, 5.45-7.15pm is for children from reception to Year 6. There are invitations available to invite your friends. Volunteers are needed to help with crafts, games & refreshments. Please let Abby Richards know if you can help. Please can the church family be praying for this event. Thank you.

**Tim Hawkin's Tour:** This event on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30-10pm is being held at our church and is for anyone involved in youth and children's work. Tickets need to be bought in advance from the website <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk> and are £5.

**Men's breakfast:** Calling all men! Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30am is our next Men's Breakfast which will take place at Four Seasons coffee shop in Park Farm shopping centre in Allestree. (How close is that!) We will take time to enjoy a full English breakfast and to chat about future men's activities in a leisurely environment before the shop opens to the public at 9.00am. The cost is likely to be £10 per head. Sign up sheet is on the table at the back. Get in quick! Space is limited! First come first served!

**Midlands Gospel partnership Annual Conference:** This will take place on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2018, 10am-3pm at Cornerstone Church, Nottingham. The theme is 'Compelled by love – cultivating a heart for the lost' and the speaker is Roger Carswell. There are some leaflets in the foyer and a sign-up sheet. If you would like to come please add your name to the sheet and you will need to choose a seminar for a ticket to be booked. Early bird tickets are **£10 before 30<sup>th</sup> November** and we plan to do a group booking to get the cheaper tickets. After this date the tickets are £15 and you will need to book your own ticket.

## **Training and Information**

**Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child boxes:** It's nearly time for the shoeboxes to be collected from church (beginning of November). There are a few spare boxes and leaflets in the foyer so there is still time to take part.

**Five Solas:** On the Desiring God website there are a number of articles and downloads about the Reformation (<https://www.desiringgod.org/here-we-stand>) and as part of its "Look at the Book" Bible exploration series has covered the Five Solas. There are some videos (15-20 minutes long) delivered by John Piper looking at the Biblical basis for the Solas along with an introductory video on why they matter.

**Christmas Lunch on Jesus:** Serve the City Derby run this initiative to provide everything needed for a really enjoyable and healthy Christmas lunch for families and individuals on low incomes who otherwise would struggle to afford a Christmas meal. They are asking for our support to partner with them. They need volunteers to help pack vegetables on Thursday 21 December and pack and deliver the hampers on Friday 22 December (both dates for any amount of time between 9.00-4.00). They are also looking for people to sponsor a box for £30 (or £15 for half a box) – you can donate online at [www.servethecityderby.org.uk](http://www.servethecityderby.org.uk). If anyone knows of families who would benefit from receiving a box then they would be grateful of that information. There is a poster in the foyer with more information and contact details on.

**Mobile phone collection:** Thank you to those who kindly donated their old mobile phones to Release International. This is an on-going collection so anyone can donate at any time. The box for collection is in the back foyer. Release International can collect approximately £3 / £4 per phone given to help our persecuted church family. Thank you once again. Glen.

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## **Church family news**

**Jean Dymer** died on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October. We rejoice that she is now safely with Jesus for eternity. Her funeral will take place on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. There will be a cremation service for family & close friends at 3pm, followed by a thanksgiving service at our church at 3.30pm with light refreshments afterwards.

Tim Gunn is having a **retreat day** tomorrow and would appreciate your prayers.

**Ministry trainees:** We are very thankful to God for Beth, Debora & Gladys. Please take every opportunity you can to get to know them, invite them out or over for coffee, lunch, tea, for a walk... They would love to get to know you ☺

### **Annual leave:**

Phil Butcher: 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> October inclusive. Warrick Martin – 23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> October inclusive.  
Colette Patterson – 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> October.

**New elders:** We would very much like to appoint new elders in the coming weeks with specific responsibility for the morning congregation. The task of being an elder is called "noble", i.e. good, desirable and beautiful in the New Testament. It is also a very serious and demanding role. The qualifications for being an elder are outlined in 1 Timothy ch.3 and Titus ch.1. The current leadership team would love to hear from anyone if they believe there is someone specific they could recommend who could fulfil this role in the future. Please do speak to a current elder as soon as possible, (but by 22 October at the latest), so that we can consider all possible names together in due course.

**Missing books:** "Why the Reformation Still Matters" by Tim Chester & Mike Reeves & "You can change" by Tim Chester are missing from Phil Butcher's book shelves in the Bookwormery & he needs them. Please can you return them to Phil. Thank you.

**Carpet cleaner:** We have acquired a second carpet washer (Vax Dual V) at church and we only need one. If it belongs to you then please let Colette Patterson, the church administrator know or alternatively if you would like it please speak to her.

**Communion service:** We use non-alcoholic wine and gluten free bread in our communion services.

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**QUOTE, UNQUOTE:** "Let us immerse ourselves constantly in the sacred Scriptures, let us work at reading them, and by the gift of Christ's Spirit the things that are necessary for salvation will be for us clear, direct, and completely open."

\*PETER MARTYR VERMIGLI\* 1499–1562 - One of the Reformers

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**Church Notice Sheet:** Items for the next notice sheet must be passed to Colette Patterson by Wednesday evening. Details can be left in her pigeonhole, ring her on 01332 987957 or you can ring the office, 551336, where there is an answer phone or email: [office@woodlandschurch.org.uk](mailto:office@woodlandschurch.org.uk).

**Giving to Woodlands:** If you would like to make a gift on a Sunday to Woodlands, there are collection boxes fixed to the walls as you come into the Church Hall. For regular giving please speak to Sue Smith, the church treasurer.

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