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**Sunday 16th February 2025 The Third Sunday before Lent**

**Welcome** **to Buckingham Parish Church.**

**If you are new here, this section is for you!**

**Children and Youth:** We have great provision for children and youth. Scan QR code below for details.



**Sermons:** These are recorded and available through our website and BPC app. See the QR code above.

**Streaming:** All our services are livestreamed and available to watch on our YouTube channel. See the QR Code above. If you do not wish to be included, please sit at the rear of the church or in the side aisles.

**Giving:** Please use a standing order (forms at the back of church) or the QR code above. We don’t take offerings during services, but you can make donations via ChurchSuite, the card reader at the back of the church or put cash into the wall box by the font.

**Sunday 16th February –**- **Themes and Readings**

**9.00am:** **Blessings and Woes**

1 Cor 15: 12 -20 pg 1156; Luke 6: 17 -26 pg 1033

**Preacher**: Rev. Jo Wigley

**11.00am****: Practicing the Way - Community**

Eph 5:1-2 pg 1176; Col 3: 12-14 pg 1184

**Altogether Service**

**6.00pm: : Practicing the Way - Community**

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**Youth Led Service**

**Preacher:** Sam Graham

***Prayer Ministry:*** Available at all Sunday services in the Prayer Chapel. Receiving prayer brings the Lord’s healing and wholeness.

***Pray through the week* for** those who mourn or are unwell, that they may be comforted by God’s presence.

**The Week Ahead:**

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| Mon 17th February | 2.00pm - 4.00pm | Tea and Chat, at The Centre, Verney Close |
| Tue 18th February | 10.00am – 12 noon | Coffee and Company, atThe Centre, Verney Close |
| 12 Noon | Community Lunch |
| Wed 19th February | 10.00am | Holy Communion |
| Thu 20th February  |   | No Ark Toddler Group |
| 10.00am – 12 noon | Coffee and Company, at The Centre, Verney Close |
|  | No Youth Hub |
|  | No Choir Practice |
| Fri 21st February | 7.00pm - 7.30pm | Prayer meeting on Zoom: contact Paul Wallace on *bpcprayermeeting@protonmail.com*for details. |
| Sat 22nd February | 10.30am – 12noon | Coffee Service Café  |
| 10.30am – 12noon | Flower Team tea and cake |
| Sun 23rd February | **The Second Sunday before Lent** |
| 9.00am | Traditional Holy Communion Service |
| 11.00am | Family Service |
| 6.00pm | Contemporary Service |

**Newcomers:** Please fill in a Welcome Card if you are new and want to be a part of the church family. We would love to invite you to the afternoon tea where you will meet members of our staff team and church family. Our next Welcome Tea is on 29th March at 4.00pm. Please contact Sue Fox at *parector@bpchurch.uk* for details.

**Room to let** in lovely house in Gawcott. £750 pcm. Please contact Anne Clark 04452 660739

**Giving/Stewardship:** Following our Stewardship Sunday, if you would like to increase your giving or start giving regularly for the first time, please scan the QR code on the front of this sheet or pick up a ‘Giving’ leaflet at the rear of church. If you have any queries, please email *stewardship@bpchurch.uk*

**The Freedom in Christ Course.** Last chance to book your place on the Freedom in Christ course! The course is running every Tuesday at BPC for six weeks from 4th March 8.00pm - 9.30pm. Learn more about what every Christian has received in Christ. Discover the truth of who we are in Him, the reality of the spiritual battle and how to win it, as well as how to live more abundantly and freely in Christ.

Please sign up at *www.bpchurch.uk/freedominchrist* or contact Keith and Mandy Hagon by Monday 24th February to secure your place.

**Building the Body:** Come and explore the rhythm and pattern of our Church Year and get a ‘taste’ of the different components that make up our rich liturgical worship. Whether it is in welcoming, flower arranging, praying, reading, making coffee, preparing the communion table or operating a camera. Every part is important, and this is a wonderful opportunity to get a window into every aspect of our worship. To be held on Saturday 8th March 10am – 12.30pm at Buckingham Parish Church. Booking is essential. For further information and booking details please go to the church website *www.bpchurch.uk/buildingthebody* or call the office 01280 830220.

**Grace and Truth:** The Christian Institute is speaking on three very important key contemporary issues to equip us in our understanding as Christians.

1. Euthanasia: Evidence shows that, very quickly, allowing euthanasia puts the most sick and vulnerable in society at serious risk. 2. Gambling: Which exploits the most vulnerable and desperate in our society. 3. Gospel Freedom: This is under threat because LGBT activists wish to impose LGBT ideology on preaching, prayer, pastoral work and parent-child conversations. To be held at Akeman Street Baptist Church, Tring, Herts., Tuesday 18th February 7.45pm. Further information: phone 0191 281 5664

**The Flower Team** will meet for coffee, tea, cake and conversation on Saturday 22nd February 10.30am to 12.00. We’ll be signing up for the Easter windowsills, filling gaps in the 2025 rota and enjoying one another’s company. Everyone, ladies and gentlemen, is most welcome to join us to discover more about what we do. More info from *susan@mileham.net*

**Church Choir:** Do you love singing? Then please consider joining our Church Choir and contact our Choirmaster Rob Tucker at: *choir@bpchurch.uk*

**Support Group.** We would like to start a support group in 2025 for couples who are struggling with infertility or who have experienced miscarriages. This is a very personal and sensitive subject, but the aim of this group is to create a space for couples, going through similar painful experiences, where they can find community and understanding. If you are interested in joining this group, please contact me, Jo Wigley, via email: *care@bpchurch.uk*

**Useful contact details:**

Rector: Rev. Will Pearson-Gee: *rector@bpchurch.uk (830221)*

Assoc Minister: Rev. Jo Wigley: *care@bpchurch.uk (07512 274423)*

Curate: Rev. Ope Ayileye: *ope@bpchurch.uk* *(07886 317246)*

Ministry Assistant: Andrew Pegg: *andrew.pegg@bpchurch.uk*

Worship: *worship@bpchurch.uk (07823494704)*

Youth Leader: Sam Graham: *youth@bpchurch.uk* *(07767 544504)*

Kids and Families Leader: Lucia Pearson-Gee: *kidsand**families@bpchurch.uk*

Sunday Operations: Andrew Gibson: *operations@bpchurch.uk*

Organist & Choirmaster: Robert Tucker: *choir@bpchurch.uk*

Production: *production@bpchurch.uk*

Safeguarding Team: Glynnis Eastwood/Jane Wardale: s*afeguarding@bpchurch.uk*

Prayer Chain: If you need or know of someone who needs prayer,

 please call Gill Croxton who heads up the Prayer Chain *(815100)*

Connect Groups: *connect@bpchurch.uk*

Stewardship Co-ordinator: Brian & Tracy Roskell: *stewardship@bpchurch.uk*

Women’s Fellowship: Nicky Bereit: *women@bpchurch.uk*

**Full-service information:** [***www.bpchurch.uk/services***](http://www.bpchurch.uk/services)

Parish Office: open weekdays 10am–Noon *office@bpchurch.u**k (830220)*

The Centre: *centre@bpchurch.uk* (*830228)*

**Notice Sheet:** If you would like to submit an item for the notice sheet, please email the office: *office@bpchurch.uk* by 6pm on Wednesday. Any items received after this time will be listed in the following week’s notice sheet.