

# GRAPEVINE

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Belmont Road Baptist Church, Carey Baptist Church and  
The Church of the Resurrection, Grovehill  
(Anglican/Free Church)

## **WHAT MAKES THE PERFECT MONARCH?**

When this issue of Grapevine is printed, we will be in the thick of Jubilee Celebrations. Hopefully this will be a wonderful way of bringing our communities together in safety after the last 2+ years of fear and distance.

Each year in the cycle of church festivities, some churches hold the celebration of Christ the King. It's on the last Sunday before Advent starts. This last Sunday celebrates everything that Jesus is as King... servant... judge... risen Saviour. Many years ago I wrote a poem about a mad scientist and his assistant as they try to create 'the perfect king'. They try to work out all the vital body parts needed and bring them together in a way reminiscent of Dr Frankenstein.

"Such a noble head, You'll want to kiss it...  
The previous owner will not miss it!"

They decide to use books in the brain and a lion's heart for bravery, and the strongest arms for waging wars and mighty feet to lead the people. But when the 'perfect king' has been created, they are surprised...

"Just see his eyes, they do not scare,  
There is too much compassion there.  
And his forehead scars don't make him frown,  
But the stitches stick out like a thorny crown."

I'm sure you can see where this is going. This 'perfect king' wears scars of love, not defeat, and has hands for service, not for fighting. The world's

view of leadership, sadly being employed in the eyes of the news today, and carried out by world leaders at war, is not the Christ-like leadership we so deeply need as a world.

So as we celebrate Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee, let's also focus on the Monarchy of our Risen Lord Jesus, the Servant King.

*Austin Janes*

## NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

### BELMONT ROAD

#### ***Preaching Plan for June***

All are welcome at the following services, with the Sunday Club joining the first 5 to 10 minutes of the service. The service will also be available on Zoom. Coffee, tea, squash and biscuits will be served in the hall. Face coverings are no longer required in the church or hall, but you are very welcome to continue wearing a face covering whenever you would like to. The windows will be open at the back of the church during Sunday worship.

**5<sup>th</sup> June at 9am** - a morning Prayer Service led by our Minister Tim Keightley, finishing before the upper part of Belmont Road is closed for the Jubilee street party.

**5<sup>th</sup> June at 5:30pm** – an outdoor Songs of Praise led by our Minister Tim Keightley, following the end of the Street Party.

**12<sup>th</sup> June** – an All Age Service led by our Minister Tim Keightley.

**19<sup>th</sup> June** - a Worship Service led by Kathy Williamson from Borehamwood.

**26<sup>th</sup> June** – a Communion and Church Anniversary Service led our Minister Tim Keightley with guest preacher Sandra Crawford.

#### ***House groups***

**Wednesdays** - there is a face-to-face house group **from 7:45pm**. Contact Peter & Jen Balding if you would like to join this group.

**Thursdays** - there is a Zoom house group **from 8.00pm** led by Andy Barton. Contact Andy or Hazel if you would like to join the group.

**Friday mornings** - there is a new group - 'Food For Thought' Bible Study, meeting from **10.00-11:30am** in the Blue Room, led by Rev Tim Keightley and Sarah Moreton. All welcome. This new group expects to meet fortnightly.

**Queen's Platinum Jubilee Street Party** (See page 7)

**Church Night**

On **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June** there will be a Church Night to follow up on the away day.

**Church Meeting**

Our next Church meeting will be face to face from **7:45pm on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June**.

**Community Quiz and Curry Night**

On **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July** there will be a Community Quiz and Curry Night - more details to follow nearer the time, but book the date.

**CAREY**

**Sunday worship**

We are continuing to meet at the church and on Zoom. You can also listen to edited recordings of the service on our website, usually available by Sunday evening. You can use your discretion about whether to wear a mask during Sunday worship. If possible, please continue to do a lateral flow test before you come and bear in mind that the infection rate, although falling, is still very high. Refreshments are served in the hall after the service and offers of help with the rota to prepare these would still be welcome (contact Judy on 01442 216387)

**Children's Church**

Our new Children's Church group for 3-10 year-olds has now started and will continue most Sundays during term times, except for the monthly all-age services (on second Sunday of the month). It will meet in a room towards the rear of the building (formerly known as the Creche). Our existing group of children are pre-school or early school years, but we are always open to older children.

**Informal Creche (0-3)**

Parents who wish to take their baby or toddler out of the service can either join the Children's Church or go to the front foyer area, where there will also be a range of age-appropriate toys. In the foyer it should still be possible to follow the service. Alternatively, pre-school children may stay in the service and we understand there may be some noise from these little ones. People will be on hand to help parents with young children.

Please contact Judy (as above) if you can help with the Children's Church or by supporting parents with children in the foyer.

### ***Prayer meetings***

The **Wednesday** evening Prayer Meeting at **8.00pm** is now returned to being on Zoom only. Please contact Obed for a Zoom invitation. The Thursday evening meeting continues at **7.30pm at Joan's house**.

### ***Bible Studies***

#### ***Thursday Evening Group***

The Thursday Evening Group have started their new study series on 'Colossians & Philemon' by Martha Reapsome, part of the Life Builder Study series. These can be purchased at Eden.co.uk. Contact Charlene if you are interested in joining this group.

#### ***Zoom coffee mornings***

These weekly get-togethers continue on **Wednesdays at 10.30am** for the time being, with Tamzin hosting. (Please let her or Hilary know if you would like an invitation.)

#### ***Baby and Toddler Group***

The Baby and Toddler Group will continue on **Fridays from 1.00-2.45pm** after half-term, staffed by volunteers (up to 15<sup>th</sup> July). Please speak to Colin, Gill or Hilary if you could help with this on an occasional basis. Please see the Facebook page for more details about the group, but there is no longer any need to book in advance - <https://m.facebook.com/careybabytoddlergroup>

#### ***Ladies' Group Jubilee Lunch***

The Ladies' Group will be meeting at lunchtime (12noon for 12.30pm) on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June** in the Memorial Hall for a Platinum Jubilee Lunch. Please let Ann or Hilary know if you hope to be there and to find out what contributions to the food may still be needed. New members are always welcome.

#### ***The Book Club***

The Book Club will be meeting on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June to discuss 'The 4 Pillar Plan' by Dr Rangan Chatterjee. Contact Helen for more details.

#### ***Carey Hymn Café***

The Carey Hymn Café will be open again on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June from 2.30-4.00pm** in the Memorial Hall for

- \* tea /coffee and cake
- \* fellowship with friends old and new
- \* an opportunity to sing favourite traditional hymns

All welcome – bring your friends. Please contact Hilary Donovan (258268) with requests for transport or if you could help with transport or make cakes. Requests for hymns would also be welcome – please speak to Robert or Hilary. (Please note that there is no parking available at the side of the church on weekday afternoons, but the paved area outside the Memorial Hall can be used as a drop-off point.)

### ***Armed Forces Day Event Stall***

Carey has booked a fundraising stall at the Armed Forces Day event in Gadebridge Park on **Saturday June 25<sup>th</sup> from 12noon**. If you are able to make cakes to sell, please see item in weekly newsletter. It will also be an opportunity to share our faith; to publicise our church and its various activities. Please let Colin know if you are able to help with the stall for an hour or two that day, so we can draw up a rota. Thank you

### ***Day visits to Stanton House***

We are arranging for two groups to go to Stanton House, a retreat centre near Oxford, on **Thursdays 28<sup>th</sup> July and 4<sup>th</sup> August**. We will have the use of a large lounge and you will be free to explore the lovely grounds and make the most of the opportunity to read, pray, draw, reflect etc. The cost will be £35, which includes a cooked lunch and refreshments on arrival and in the afternoon, with a deposit of £8.75 to be paid at the time of booking. If you would like to find out more, please contact Hilary (01442 258268) as soon as possible. It would be particularly helpful to hear from anyone who would be willing to drive and give lifts to others.

### ***BMS Mission Partners***

Please continue to pray for Peter and Louise, our Mission Partners in Bangladesh. New Prayer Cards should soon be available at the church.

## **GROVEHILL**

For all Zoom events, please send an email to: [revaustin@sky.com](mailto:revaustin@sky.com) to receive an invite.

**Sundays 11am** - Communion Service and Junior Church in Church and on Facebook 'Grovehill Church of the Resurrection - The Church behind the Chippy' page. (Services can also be found on the 'Grovehill Church of the Resurrection' YouTube Channel.)

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday** of the month 3.30pm Causeway Church (*see below*)

**2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays** of the month 6.00-7.00pm Hard COR Youth Group (10 to 14 year olds) in church

**3<sup>rd</sup>** Sunday of the month 6.00-7.00pm Digging Deeper Bible Youth Group in church (10-14 year-olds)

**Monday-Friday 9.00am** – Morning Prayer on Zoom

**Mondays 9.00am to 12noon** - Church open for private prayer

**Mondays 1.30pm** - Sticky Fingers - Craft, chat, drinks, toys and Toddler Church in the Church Hall

**Monday-Friday 9.30pm** - Night Prayer on Zoom

**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays** - 'Men's Bible Chat Group' on Zoom. Contact [revaustin@sky.com](mailto:revaustin@sky.com) for details.

**Wednesdays 12 noon** - Ladies Bible Study on Zoom

**2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays** – 2.00pm 'Just a thought' Bible Study Group in Church Hall

**Saturday mornings – 'Drinks and Dunkables' - 10.00am to 12noon**  
Refreshments in the Church Hall

### ***Causeway Church***

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 3.30pm** - Causeway Church in Church (unless Covid prevents) Call Rev Austin in advance 01442 270585. If you know of any young people (16+) or adults with additional needs who might be interested, please let them and their helpers know about this – they will be very welcome.

### ***Jubilee Quiz and Fish and Chips***

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 6pm 'Jubilee Quiz and Fish and Chips at Grovehill Community Centre' £6. Book in advance by emailing [julie.banks@grovehill.org.uk](mailto:julie.banks@grovehill.org.uk)

### ***Film Night***

The next Film Night will be on **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 6.00pm.**

### ***Advance notice***

Revd Austin will be on his Extended Study Leave (AKA Sabbatical) for all of July, August and September. All services will be fully covered.

## **CHURCHES TOGETHER NEWS**

### ***Prayer Calendar for June***

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Pentecost Sunday

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Hemel Hempstead Methodist Church, Northridge Way, Chaulden

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> St Mary and St Joseph Catholic Church – Boxmoor (RC)

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> Vineyard Church

## **Churches Together AGM**

Carey will be hosting the Churches Together AGM on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June, at 7.00 for 7.30pm** in the Memorial Hall. Our guest speakers for this special evening are Church Administrator, Polly, and one of the ministers, Joe Egan, from High Street, Tring Baptist Church. They will speak about their church's journey as an Eco Church. All are welcome.



## **QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE STREET PARTY** **Belmont Road – Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June – 2.00-5.00pm**

**As promised here are more details about the Street Party. This is a joint event with the residents of Belmont Road. Everyone who is attached with the church in any way is invited to attend.**

The top end of Belmont Road will be closed between 12-7pm to create a safe area

Bring your own picnic tables, chairs and picnic

Free soft drinks, cake, cream tea will be served in the church

The following activities are planned:-

**“Elizabeth” Sponge Bake Off** – please use a traditional Victoria sponge recipe. U14 and adult. Deliver cakes to the church between 11am and 1pm. Winners announced at 2.30pm. cakes non-returnable as they will be used as refreshment during the party

**Fancy Dress** – we will open the party with a parade in church carpark at 2.15pm. U14 and adult.

**Traditional Sports Day Races** – no need to sign up, come and join in! Outside the church at 3.30pm. Races to include egg & spoon, three legged and sack race.

There will also be a Treasure Hunt, Quiz and Local History, which you need to sign up for at the Information Desk. Winners of Quiz will be announced at 4.45pm. The party will officially close at 5pm by singing the National Anthem. If you think you can help in anyway then please contact Hazel Barton or sign up on the lists in the church. We hope you will put this event in your diary and plan to bring the family.

## THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

This month we celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. She is the longest reigning monarch in British history. Up until recently she attended church every week and still did a full week's work at the age of 96!

It is her commitment to serving God and the nation which stands out in her life. Even before she became Queen, she made a promise, which she has kept for over 75 years: *'I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service'* (21<sup>st</sup> birthday broadcast, 21 April 1947).

What is the secret of the Queen's consistency of character and service? In 2002 she said this: *"I know just how much I rely on my faith to guide me through the good times and the bad. Each day is a new beginning. I know that the only way to live my life is to try to do what is right, to take the long view, to give of my best in all that the day brings, and to put my trust in God."* These are wise words from somebody who draws her strength from the Christian Faith and can inspire all of us who want to make our lives count!

The Queen has been an example of joyful, wise, and generous service on behalf of others all her life. Six months before her coronation she asked the nation and Commonwealth to *"pray that God may give me wisdom and strength to carry out the solemn promises I shall be making, and that I may faithfully serve Him and you, all the days of my life."* Paul urges us to pray for all in authority, *"that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness."* (1 Timothy 2:2).  
(Canon Paul Hardingham – Parish Pump)



Queen Elizabeth II – photo: Jacob King/PA Wire/PA Images



## DENS NEWS

### **Foodbank**

Please be aware that our Foodbank has now relocated from The Hub to:

**Dacre House, 19 Hillfield Road, Hemel Hempstead, HP2 4AA**

We have a good supply of many food, hygiene and household items, however there are some specific items that we are in need of. Please see our **High Needs List** below:

**Food:** Tinned vegetables, Tinned fruit, Jam, Custard, Tinned rice pudding, Sponge puddings, Jelly, Tinned potatoes, Instant mash, Tinned ham, Savoury crackers, Long life milk, Long-life juice/squash, Sugar

**Kitchen and hygiene items:** 20p Carrier bags, 2 in 1 shampoo, Shower gel, Washing up Liquid (small), Liquid hand soap, Deodorants – male/female, Cleaning sprays, Liquid hand soap, Baby wipes, Toilet rolls

### **Please note that:**

- We do not accept furniture
- We currently are not taking any clothes, shoes and accessories

### **Thank you for your support**

Donations can be dropped off at our **Foodbank at Dacre House (see above) – Monday-Friday 10am-1pm.**

Tel: 01442 250969

Email: [office@dacorumfoodbank.org.uk](mailto:office@dacorumfoodbank.org.uk)

Web: [www.dens.org.uk](http://www.dens.org.uk)

Charity No: 1097185

### **Go Yellow for Dens Week – 20<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> June**

Calling all local businesses, schools, groups and families! Get creative and do something yellow anytime between Monday 20<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June.

The possibilities are endless during Go Yellow Week! Here are a few ideas to help get you started:

- Wear something yellow – a t-shirt, socks or even a wig
- Decorate your home, office or classroom yellow
- Turn your social media yellow for the week
- Host a tasty yellow bake sale

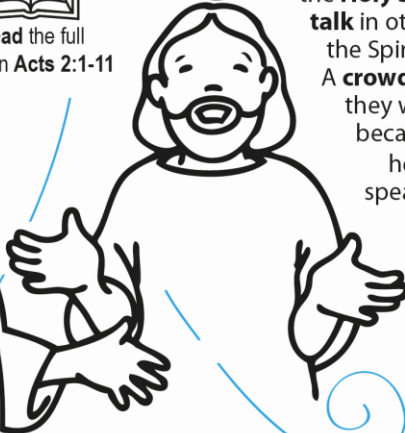
Suggested £1 donation from all taking part. See website for further details. We're also encouraging supporters to collect and donate high items for our Foodbank.



## Mouse Makes



Read the full story in Acts 2:1-11



It was the **festival of Pentecost**, **fifty days** since **Passover** and **Jews** from many countries had come to **Jerusalem** to **celebrate**.

The **Apostles** and other believers were all **together** in one place when they heard a **sound** like a strong **wind** and **saw** what looked like **tongues of fire** which spread out and **touched each** person.

All of them were **filled** with the **Holy Spirit** and began to **talk** in other **languages** as the Spirit enabled them.

A **crowd** gathered outside, they were all excited because each of them heard the believers speaking in their **own**

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language about the great things **God** had done.

About 3,000 people **heard**, **believed** and were **baptised** that day!

All the words in bold type in the story are in the word search, can you find them?

# The Best Seat



JESUS OFTEN TOLD STORIES WITH HIDDEN MEANINGS



PLEASE COME TO MY PARTY

ON ONE OCCASION JESUS TOLD THE STORY ABOUT SOME PARTY INVITATIONS




HE EXPLAINED THAT WHEN YOU ARE INVITED TO A MEAL




DON'T RUSH TO SIT IN THE BEST SEAT....

...IN CASE YOU ARE ASKED TO MOVE DOWN THE TABLE.





IT'S MUCH BETTER TO TAKE THE LOWER SEAT




...AND THEN FIND YOU ARE ASKED TO MOVE UP.

JESUS EXPLAINED THAT WE SHOULDN'T KEEP PUSHING OURSELVES TO THE FRONT.

AS CHRISTIANS WE SHOULD ALWAYS TRY TO PUT OTHER PEOPLE FIRST. Read Luke 11.7-11

## FIRE OF PENTECOST

*"You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you and you will be witnesses to me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth" Acts 1:8*

We all get tired and battle weary sometimes. The disciples of Jesus had just been through a three-year long roller coaster adventure with Jesus that had culminated in His death, resurrection and ascension into heaven.

The range of emotions would have been hugely taxing in the days leading up to Pentecost, as they remembered Jesus weeping in the garden of Gethsemane, betrayed by Judas, brutally beaten and crucified, and then dead and buried. Then there had been the shock and awe of finding out that He was alive again! But then He had left them again, to return to His Father. By the time the day of Pentecost arrived, the disciples would indeed have welcomed some fresh spiritual fire!

For us today, many of us have felt emotionally drained with the uncertainties caused by Covid 19, the worry of prices rising at an alarming rate, and now the pain and uncertainty of what will happen in the war in Ukraine. So, what better day to pray for fresh spiritual fire for each of us? As we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and birth of the Church, let us thank God that He will never leave us or forsake us.

*(Parish Pump)*



**BAPTIST ASSEMBLY**

*You can find reports and recordings of the main sessions of the Baptist Assembly, held in Bournemouth on 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> May, on the BUGB website: [www.baptist.org.uk](http://www.baptist.org.uk) Below you will find part of the report on the AGM which summarises the report of Lynn Green, General Secretary, and then a report of the new President, Hayley Young's introduction to her focus for the year – 'Building a bigger table'.*

Speaking on Saturday morning, Lynn noted that it had been a tough few years with suffering and loss. Yet in the midst of it all 'we have seen and experienced the Lord at work in our churches and in our communities,' she said. 'Despite a demanding season of continual change, I have been so incredibly encouraged to see right across Baptists Together lots of prayer, adaptability, innovation and creativity. And that is the beauty of our Baptist family. We are a grassroots movement, following Jesus, engaged with our communities and willing to embrace the new opportunities that each challenge brings.'

Using a range of examples from Baptist churches and their people, she thanked God for:

- People finding faith and hope in Jesus
- for a renewed commitment to prayer across our movement
- all the ways in which His love has been demonstrated in practical ways - from the appointment of the 'incredible' Sharon Shek for the [Hong Kong project](#), to small scale projects aimed at empowering individuals and changing lives and prospects, like the [Wren Bakery](#) and prayer spaces in schools.

'Baptist churches are making a difference,' continued Lynn, 'and I want to celebrate and say a massive thank you to everyone for all the ways you are worshipping and following Jesus and joining in the mission of God in your own communities.'

Turning to the future, Lynn said we face a number of challenges, such as the ongoing uncertainty of the pandemic and global instability; and the challenge of mission. She said the changing context of our worship and mission has accelerated during the pandemic: in the face of this challenge we need to continue to prayerfully ask ourselves the question, 'What is God's call to us now?'

Finally, there is the relational challenge of 'how we hold those areas where we profoundly differ as we seek to be faithful to Christ...What I believe is key for moving forward here is that we need to give close attention to the

way in which we listen to each other in our discernment and hold the reality, and sometimes the pain, of our differences. 'God is love and so love must remain at the centre.'

### **Hayley Young's address**

Hayley, currently the Transitional Strategic Regional Minister for the Northern Baptist Association (NBA), was inducted as the new Baptists Together President on Saturday morning (14 May).

Her focus for the year is [building a bigger table](#) - and she told Assembly this stems from the incarnation of Jesus. 'The God we worship and serve doesn't stand off to the sidelines and shout at us; He emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. He came to the mess and the confusion of the world; showing a radical hospitality to all people.' As disciples of Jesus we endeavour to follow His example, Hayley continued, 'to cross boundaries and divisions in order to listen, learn, hear, know, and respect.'

She said she is reminded of the comment: "the missionaries tried to bring us the bread of life, but we choked on the packaging.'... 'Building a bigger table is about us not making that mistake: by listening to our communities, by being contextual, by respecting Christ in each other,' Hayley explained. 'Building a bigger table is about us taking the time to listen and hear from those who are not like us; who hold different views to us.'

Hayley shared her experience as a millennial female in Baptist ministry means that 'daily I interact with people who don't believe I should have a voice; with people that hold an interpretation of the Bible that means I can't exercise leadership....Every day, I enter into conversation with people who don't think I should be at the table,' she said. 'But I am still here, I still keep going, like many others, because our distinct Baptist DNA compels us to listen, learn, hear, know and respect – even in difference.'

Quoting Paul in 1 Corinthians 9, she asked, 'Can we, as a Baptist Movement, build a bigger table for the sake of the gospel?' It will be 'difficult at times.. but I believe it will bring blessings and joy as well,' Hayley said.

She added, 'I accept that some may have switched off when I stood up here, some may choose not to listen. I accept that you may not want to

hear from me because of my age, gender, or perceived theology – but I would really like you to know, that I would love to hear from you.

'Let's connect over this year: Will you build a bigger table by joining the conversation?'

## CENTRAL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ASSEMBLY Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July

The Central Baptist Association will be holding its Assembly and Annual General Meeting on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at Christ the King, Milton Keynes.

***“For all that has been, thanks; for all that is to come, Yes!”***

'The theme of the Assembly will give time to reflect on the past and look to the future. There will be a welcome to a new member church and In Memoriam, news & stories, AGM, valedictions for Regional Ministers and an introduction to members of the incoming Regional Ministry Team. All wrapped round with worship, a keynote address by Geoff Colmer, coffee and conversations!

The Assembly is open to anyone, but the AGM is for church representatives only. Church Secretaries should have already received a booking form. Make sure to book your church's places asap!' *Please let your Secretary know if you would like to attend. Colin will have at least two spare seats in his car.*



## NEW TRANSLATIONS OF THE BIBLE

Scripture translations completed for 10 per cent of the world's population in 2021

Bible Societies across the world completed Scripture translations in 90 languages last year used by 794 million people – just over 10 per cent of the world’s population.

Despite a second year of disruption caused by Covid, 48 language groups – a total of 11 million people – received first Scripture translations, meaning that they were not previously available in those languages.

New or revised translations were completed in languages used by 783 million people. These provide Scripture access to language communities whose needs are no longer met by previous translations.

Meanwhile, work is progressing on the translation of Scriptures in countries including Burkina Faso, Eritrea, Eswatini, Gabon, Mali, Nigeria, The Gambia and Togo.

Thanks to the efforts of Bible Societies and other Bible translation agencies, at the start of 2022 the full Bible is available in 719 languages, spoken by 5.8 billion people. Around 70 per cent of these were translated by Bible Societies.

Yet, more than half of the world’s languages, used by 219 million people, still have NO Scripture translations at all. And 1.5 billion people do not have the full Bible in their heart language.

Bible Society hopes to complete 1,200 Scripture translations by 2038. Of those, 880 will be first translations, and another 320 are new or revised translations.

*Parish Pump*

## **OUT AND ABOUT ON THE ROADS?**

### **Out and about on the roads? Remember the NEW Highway Code**

When did you last read the Highway Code? Various ‘fundamental’ changes were recently made which will surely affect you.



For example, there is a new hierarchy of road users, where drivers now have new responsibilities to watch out for people who are walking, cycling, or riding a horse.

Another example is that cyclists are now advised to cycle in the *centre* of lanes in slower-moving traffic.

Finally, do you even know how best to open your car door? According to the Highway Code, you should use your hand on the opposite side to the door you are opening; for example, use your left hand to open a door on your right-hand side. This will make you turn your head to look over your shoulder. You are then more likely to avoid causing injury to cyclists or motorcyclists passing you on the road, or to people on the pavement.

Read all about the new rules at: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-highway-code>

*Parish Pump*

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Items for the July/August issue should be with Hilary Donovan (258268 / [hilary.donovan@hotmail.com](mailto:hilary.donovan@hotmail.com) ) or Paula Moore (Belmont Road) by **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June**. Thank you



## MAY DIARY

### BELMONT ROAD

*(Services on Zoom and in church – see page 2 - All services led by Tim Keightley unless otherwise stated)*

Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Morning Prayer Service (page 2)
	2.00pm-	Platinum Jubilee Street Party

	5.00pm	
	5.30pm	Outdoor Songs of Praise
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	All-age
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>		Church Night
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Worship Service, led by Kathy Williamson
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	7.45pm	Church Meeting (at Church)
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Communion and Church Anniversary Service – Guest Preacher: Sandra Crawford

## CAREY

*(Services in church and on Zoom and edited audio recording on website – see page 3 )*

Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Morning Service led by Harold Liberty, Walsworth Rd, Hitchin
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Deacons' Meeting
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	All-age Service
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon	Ladies' Group Jubilee lunch (page 4)
	for	
	12:30pm	
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Morning Service with Communion, led by David Burden, Welwyn Garden City
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>		The Book Club (page 4)
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	2.30pm-4.00pm	Carey Hymn Café (page 4)
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	12noon-	Stall at Armed Forces Day event, Gadebridge Park (page 5)

## GROVEHILL

*(Services in church and on Facebook see page 5)*

Sundays	11.00am	Communion Service in church and on Facebook
Wednesdays	12noon	Ladies Bible Study on Zoom
Saturdays	10.00am-12noon	'Drinks and Dunkables' in Church Hall
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	6.00pm	Jubilee Quiz and Fish and Chips
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	3.30pm	Causeway Church (page 6)
Fridays 10 <sup>th</sup> , 24 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	'Just a Thought' Bible Study Group

Sundays 12 <sup>th</sup> , 26 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Hard COR Youth Group
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Digging Deeper Bible Youth Group
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Film Night

**OTHER EVENTS**

Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>		PENTECOST
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm for 7.30pm	Churches Together AGM, Carey (page 7)
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>		DENS Week (page 9)

<b>ADVANCE DATES FOR JULY</b>
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**BELMONT ROAD**

Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>		Community Quiz and Curry Night
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**CAREY**

Wed 13 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Church Meeting
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm	Carey Hymn Café
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>		
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup>	10.30am	Morning Service, led by Prof. Sir Les Ebdon, Walsworth Rd, Hitchin

**OTHER EVENTS**

Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00am -3.30pm	CBA Assembly and AGM (page 15)
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# HEMEL HEMPSTEAD BAPTIST CHURCHES

## SUNDAY SERVICES

(see pages 2-6 & 18-19 for current variations to this pattern)

### BELMONT ROAD

(Bennetts End)

[www.belmontroadbaptist.co.uk](http://www.belmontroadbaptist.co.uk)

#### *Morning Worship - 10.30am*

Sunday Club (5 - 15 years)

Occasional All Age Family Worship on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in month

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in month includes Communion

### CAREY

(Marlowes)

[www.careybaptisthemel.org.uk](http://www.careybaptisthemel.org.uk)

#### *Morning Worship - 10.30am* – Youth Church and crèche

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in month All Age Family Worship

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in month includes Communion

### GROVEHILL ANGLICAN/FREE CHURCH

(Church of the Resurrection, Henry Wells Square)

[www.grovehillchurch.org.uk](http://www.grovehillchurch.org.uk)

#### *Morning Worship - 11.00am* - with Junior Church

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in month: All Age Worship

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