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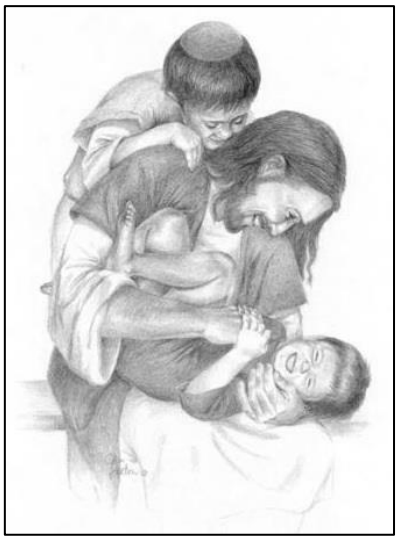
Welcome to our services!

Why not come in and join us, or if you would like to find out some more about the church visit the website or get in touch with Andy Mills

Services in November

Sunday 1st Nov	10:30am	**Taste and see** *Psalm 34* Service led by Andy Mills
Sunday 8th Nov	10:30am	**Rescue me!** *Psalm 70* including communion & Remembrance Service led by Andy Mills
Sunday 15th	10:30am	**Healthy Emotions: An All-Age** Service Service led by Andy Mills
Sunday 22nd	10:30am	**Found** Psalm 23 Service led by Andy Mills
Sunday 29th	10:30am	**Love, truth, righteousness and peace meet** Psalm 85 1st Sunday in Advent Service led by Andy Mills

Musings from the manse



People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them. (Mark 10:13-16)

Children were not valued in the ancient world, that's why the disciples deemed them not worthy of Jesus' attention, and in response we see Jesus displaying one of his few examples of anger. How dare the disciples deem someone not worthy of his interest and time!

When might we deem someone unworthy of Jesus? Deem someone too uncultured, uneducated; too young or old; too poor or rich. If we do this, we do God a disservice because God doesn't come to humanity with our preferences or prejudices.

Rich Mullins the writer of 'Our God is an Awesome God' and many other wonderful songs, said of himself, '*God loves everybody that don't make me special, that just proves God ain't got no taste … And I don't think God does. Thank God.*'

God is not choosy. Jesus is not choosy who he spends time with. Thank God.

Your minister

Andy

(picture: 'Playful Boys' by Jean Keaton)

Mondays	9:30-11am	Foodbank
Mondays	7:30pm	Evening prayer on Zoom (Meeting ID: 882 9977 6237 Passcode: 147582)
Every Tuesday	10:30am	The Men's ARC (Actively Retired's Coffee Club) gather at the church before descending on a coffee house for conversation.
Every Tuesday	9-9:30am	Morning prayer on Zoom (Meeting ID: 892 8863 1407 - Passcode: 642818)
Every Wednesday	12noon-1pm	Daytime Housegroup at the church. Bible study, fellowship & prayer. Talk to Alan B if you would like more details.
Saturday 7th Nov	8:30am	Men's breakfast Charlbury Baptist Church
Saturday 14th Nov	6:30-for 7pm start	Tearfund Quiz. St Hugh's Centre. Hensington Road

North Oxfordshire Community Foodbank

You can donate to the foodbank in two ways.

Donations of food can be placed in the box in the church foyer, put in the collection bin in Woodstock

Co-Op, or you can contact Andy.

If you wish to give financially, please go to the following link: www.northoxfordshirecommunityfoodbank.org.uk/#/donations/4542603964

Your support for the foodbank is much appreciated.

Nov	Refreshments	Flowers	Cleaning
1st	Andy & Mary	Julie	Sarah-Jane
8th	Bruce & Annabelle	Joanne	
15th	Alan & Pat	Jenny	
22nd	Mary & Andy	Pat	
30th	Joanne	June	

Please have a word with Pat if you can help with refreshments. Serving refreshments after church is a valuable practice for building community, fostering relationships, and extending hospitality to newcomers. It creates a welcoming atmosphere where people can connect, support one another, and experience church as a caring family



donations welcome for tearfund

FREE ENTRY

Saturday 14th November 2026

6.30pm for a 7pm start

St. Hugh's Centre, Hensington Rd, Woodstock, OX20 1JL

food provided, please bring your own drinks

maximum team size 8 people

to book your place email: wbcenquiry@woodstockbaptistchurch.org.uk

Events in other Woodstock churches

Woodstock Methodist church

Tuesday fellowship

3rd Nov- “What I learned in prison” Alan Dobson

17th Nov-“Zentangle” Sandra Diesel + Bring & Buy

Knit for Peace

Monday 2nd November

£2 towards refreshments.



Prayers

Father God, we pray for our world, our church, our community, our families and friends.

We continue to pray for Andy, Pat & Alan, Nick, Ruth, & Hannah, Julie, June & Brad. Joanne, Trevor and family

Creator God, We acknowledge that as your handiwork, we stand alongside all that you have made. Trees and rivers, mountains and valleys, soaring birds and scuttling creatures, all are held within your care. May we grow in our love and appreciation for the fabulous variety around us; and may our awe and wonder draw us closer to the natural world, and through it to you, the God of all things. Amen (Tearfund.org)

We continue to pray in unity for peace on earth and in particular upon the Ukraine-Russia borderlands.

God of justice, move the hearts of world leaders.
Turn them away from hatred and pride toward dialogue, diplomacy, and a lasting peace.

I lift up my eyes to the mountains—
where does my help come from?
My help comes from the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth. Psalm 121v1-2

Please send items for the newsletter to: Andy Mills