

23rd January 2022

Welcome

Welcome to our morning meeting - whether you've been coming here for years of this is your first time here - we want you to feel at home. Feel free to join in with as much or as little as you want and if you have children please don't feel that you have to keep them quiet and still throughout. Although do be aware of other's need for space or social distancing.

This week Dave and Jenny Smith are leading worship, do speak to the meeting leader if you feel you have something to share with the congregation - a bible verse, a testimony of God at work in your life or simply a word of encouragement.

After the worship Children (5-11) have their own groups with creche and youth also running upstairs, while downstairs Neil will be speaking from Acts 15 -16.

As you know government guidance has changed for next week with regard to mask wearing and social distancing, however we want to be wise to the current Covid situation around us and sensitive to range of people's circumstances. The Connect Team will be meeting to discuss future plans and will keep you informed.

However, if you feel unwell for any reason please don't attend.



Joining the Family Course

We're aware a significant number of people have joined us over the past 18 months - we'd like to invite you to 3 Sundays
March 6, 13 & 20

For lunch (here at WPA)

This is for those who want to know more about who we are, how we work, what we believe and who are interested in saying that we are their church ...

Talk to Neil & D or Paul Gander for more info
(We will try and have provision for the children - and we promise each session wont be too long!)

The Alpha Course is for anyone wanting to ask questions about the Christian Faith, for those who have no faith or have faith and just want to ask some questions about Christianity.

The format includes watching a short film and then discussing it together in small groups. It will be both online and a physical meeting. It is a no pressure course, everyone is free to come and go as they please.

We started on **Thu 20th Jan at 8pm** BUT ITS NOT TOO LATE TO INVITE SOMEONE OR COME YOURSELF! To sign up for the course please go to <https://wantagecc.org.uk/alpha> For further questions you can also ask Paul on paul@wantagecc.org.uk or phone 07812136031.

Welcome

It is great to have you with us this morning. We hope that you feel at home with us.

If you would like someone to pray with you after the meeting, please talk to the meeting leader.

Please note that, unless they are in children's groups, children remain the responsibility of parents or guardians at all times. Children are not allowed in any of the classrooms and should remain in the sight of their parents.

GIVING: In the current situation, it is difficult to have a collection at Church. If you would like to give financially to the church then you can make a donation using the My Giving menu in My ChurchSuite or by going to: wantagecc.org.uk/giving.

To know more about tithing / regular giving please contact Neil (details overleaf) or visit our website



Wantage Community Church is part of Oxfordshire Community Churches, a company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales. Company number 3223210; registered charity number 1056921

Looking forward to the new term....

Next week

Friday 28th January: Half night of prayer

8pm - 12midnight

Wantage Methodist Church, Newbury Street

Come for an hour - or come for more, start the new year with a time of prayer and worship - for our church, our town, our area, our nation and beyond.

Save the Date

Celebration weekend: Living for Jesus

Saturday 26th - seminars

Sunday 27th March - worship together with the other OpenGate churches

Re-scheduled Monster Turkey - Friday 8th April

For all our young people Y7-13

More details to follow soon

Help wanted:

We run a toddler group on Fridays at the Methodist church hall.

<https://facebook.com/wantagebabyandtoddlers> - *we are looking for people to come and join a set up / coffee rota (8.45 - 11.15) once a month - If you can help please get in touch with D: denise@wantagecc.org.uk or [Francesca: fran@wantagecc.org.uk](mailto:francesca@wantagecc.org.uk)*

Please send notice and event information to hello@wantagecc.org.uk - **Also if you test positive for COVID after one of our services please contact us on 01235 470041 or use the hello@wantagecc.org.uk email.**



We're going camping together in 2022! Salt & Light Advance is partnering with Wildfires and Big Church Day Out. Info

at <https://advancechurches.uk/bcdo-wildfires-2022/>
Salt & Light Advance are attending together, as a family of churches, Wildfires and Big Church Day Out (BCDO) 2022.

Some people may want to do both, or one or the other. The choice is yours! If you book for Wildfires, BCDO is free – two festivals for the price of one!

Booking: DON'T book directly on the Wildfires or BCDO websites, rather please use these special booking links, which will enable us to camp as a group:

To book for Wildfires:

bctickets.group/wildfires-2022/salt-light-advance
(Wildfires tickets include BCDO)

To book for BCDO only:

bcdo.group/2022/salt-light-advance

Contact Us

To sign up for our email updates, our prayer text, or simply to ask a question, please use any of the following ...

facebook

wantagecc.org.uk

hello@wantagecc.org.uk

01235 470041



TOUCHING HEAVEN | CHANGING EARTH

Church lead

Neil and D Townsend, 01235 717152

neil@wantagecc.org.uk denise@wantagecc.org.uk

Pastor & Community Development Lead

Paul and Francesca Gander

paul@wantagecc.org.uk, fran@wantagecc.org.uk

Andy Bruce, 01235 25018

andy.bruce@wantagecc.org.uk

Elders Ian and Rosie Horswell, 01235 764683

ihorswell@lineone.net

Andy and Liz Bruce, 01235 225018

andy.bruce@wantagecc.org.uk