



The Baptist Church, Brierfield

July/August 2025



We meet in a warm, friendly atmosphere to praise and worship the Lord Jesus Christ.

Please do join us.

Sunday Services

We are in Chapel each Sunday and ask that you join us to worship our Lord Jesus Christ together and to share in the fellowship of the Church family.

The services start at 10:30 am and are also streamed live on YouTube - check our website for the service link.

<https://www.brierfieldbaptistchurch.org.uk>

Midweek Activities as announced.

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Do you have something you would like to be included in next months newsletter? Please hand anything you would like adding to Richard I'Anson, or by email to newsletter@brierfieldbaptistchurch.org.uk



Spiritual Protection

(a short message by Nigel Leeming)

I was in the office last week when our service team were being fitted and tested with full face masks. These airtight seals over their faces with filtered air input allow them to work in dusty, harmful environments without inhaling the atmospheric pollutants.

James 1 vs 27 says.... **keep (yourself) from being polluted by the world.**

In a time of 24/7 news and multiple media sources its easy to become focused on the ways of this World. In the past week we have seen great shows of power and violence as countries flex their military muscles in shows of force. Very often this has resulted in the suffering of the innocent person on the street or in their homes. We have also seen laws passed or moved forward which directly contradict the Laws given to us in God's Word.

Pollution of our World is a great concern but so too is the pollution of our Souls. I understand it takes two weeks to get pollutants out of our lungs! I suggest it is even more important to keep our spiritual lungs clean. It doesn't mean we can't work or live in this toxic, polluted World after all how else can we tell people of Jesus! However, we must

be careful not to get contaminated ourselves.

We need to input lots of spiritual fresh clean air into our minds and lives. So, let's put on our full-face masks by reading, absorbing and following God's Word.

Let's seek what God wants and not what mankind wants.



Nigel

Items of Interest & Dates for your Diary

Bible Studies/Prayer Meetings

Please pray for these and attend if at all possible, starting at 7:30 pm.

July	8 th & 22 nd
August	Bible Study Will Be Back In September

Friendship Group: Meet on Wednesday 16th July at 7.30p.m. when we will be having a quiz and preparing for the Strawberry Tea. A light supper will follow for a small charge. They will then be having their annual day out August 16th when they will be going to Carlisle by Train. If anyone wishes to join us then speak to a member of the Friendship Group.

Strawberry Scone Tea: On July 19th at 2pm the Friendship group are holding a Strawberry Tea, at a cost of £8, with live music from the Prospect Brass Band of Standish. Tickets are available to buy from the Friendship Group, however you are welcome to pay on the door for those without a ticket.

Evening Services: The next Evening Service will be on the 28th September following a summer break, when we hope to be joined by Bea Foster (To Be Confirmed)

Music Group Rehearsals: Music group rehearsals will continue after the Sunday Service for now. If you can play an Instrument or Sing and would like to join the group then speak to Melanie, for more details.

Maintenance Team: We meet most Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. for a couple of hours to carry out maintenance on the Church building, If you have any DIY skills, or can pick up a paint brush, then please come along and give us a hand. For more information speak to Grahame or David.



Food Bank Donations: Donations will be delivered ahead of the School Summer Holidays at the end of July. All donations of dried or canned foods are welcome and are always gratefully received by the Food Bank, who once again Give thanks for your continued Support.

Used Stamps: If you still have Used stamps then bring them to chapel, Angela recently delivered the used stamps that had been collected and took them to the hospice who wish to offer there thanks for the contribution.

Praise & Munch Dates 2025

Family Praise Services: At the Church Meeting in March, it was decided that the Pie, Peas & Praise, would now be called Praise & Munch! We will also be looking to vary the food offer, to make it more inclusive for our Church family, any suggestions would be most welcome, speak with Elaine or Gillian.

Date	Meal	Coordinator
27 th July	Bring Your Own Picnic	
31 st August	Pie & Peas	Cynthia
28 th September	Harvest Ploughman's Lunch	Elizabeth
26 th October	Pie & Peas	
30 th November	Soup & A Sweet	Angela
21 st December	Christmas Festive Buffet Lunch	

Dates further ahead:

Church Meeting: The next Church Meeting will be on the 29th July at 7:30p.m. all members are encouraged to attend, but the meeting is open to the whole congregation.

Officers Meeting: The next Officers Meeting will be on the 7th August at 7:30p.m. all officers are requested to attend.

Service Rota For September:

September 2025		
7th September	Preacher	Nigel Lawrence
	Service Leader	Michael Patterson
	Door Steward	Janice Greenwood
	Evening Service	No Service
	Communion End Of Service	Peter Lewis
14th September	Preacher	Geoff Jackson
	Service Leader	Neil Binns
	Door Steward	Angela Higgin
	Evening Service	No Service
	Communion Start Of Service	David Leeming
21st September	Preacher	Peter Fielden
	Service Leader	Bernice Baldwin
	Door Steward	Glenys Leeming
	Evening Service	No Service
	Communion End Of Service	Mark Wilkes
28th September	Preacher	Harvest
	Service Leader	Jack Wellman
	Door Steward	Mark Wilkes
	Evening Service	TBC
	Communion Evening Service	Nigel Leeming

Puzzles

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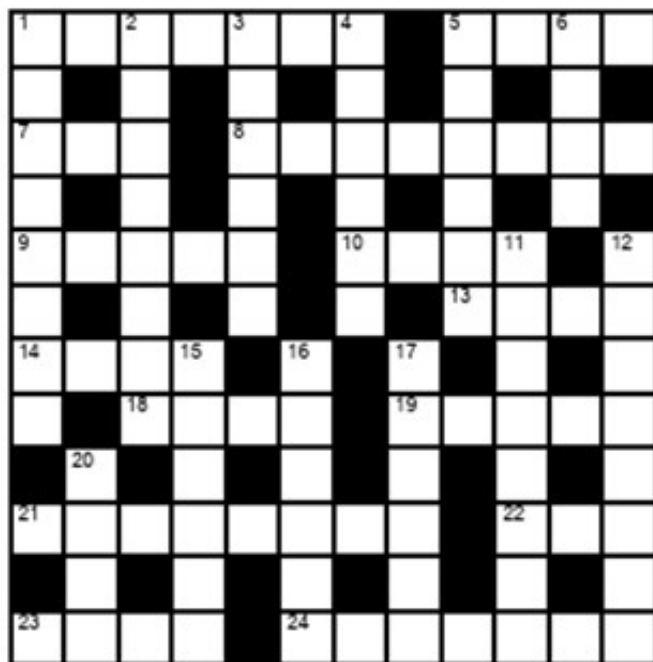
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SYCAMORE
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VISION
WORDS
WORSHIP

QUICK BIBLE CROSSWORD V



by Philologus

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Across

- 1 Cleansing ritual (7)
- 5 Fair (4)
- 7 Listening device (3)
- 8 Taken into custody (8)
- 9 Deal (5)
- 10 Leader (4)
- 13 Locks (4)
- 14 Left-handed (4)
- 18 Naomi's bitter name (4)
- 19 Provided by the sun (5)
- 21 Seller (8)
- 22 Commandment count (3)
- 23 Happy (4)
- 24 Bears (7)

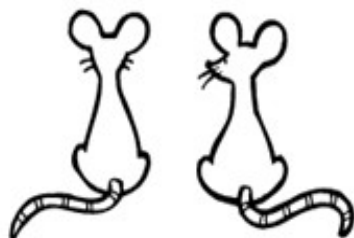
Down

- 1 Lived (8)
- 2 One of the seven churches (8)
- 3 Visions (6)
- 4 Bethany resident (6)
- 5 Idolatry abolisher (6)
- 6 Offspring (4)
- 11 Keziah, to Job (8)
- 12 Collected works of an author (8)
- 15 Moved to the music (6)
- 16 Royal home (6)
- 17 Joyful (6)
- 20 Drawing place (4)



**Paul and Silas sing
praise to God in jail.**

Acts 16:16-40



Last Months ANSWERS

TRINITY WORD SEARCH

SOLUTION



QUICK BIBLE CROSSWORD IV - SOLUTION



Across: 1 Sharp, 4 Gilgal, 7 Resurrection, 9 Upright, 10 Last, 12 Sees, 14 Arab, 18 Cana, 19 Ezekiel, 20 Pomegranates, 22 Closes, 23 Lydia.

Down: 1 Shroud, 2 Assyrian, 3 Phrygia, 4 Guests, 5 Little, 6 Ago, 8 Net, 11 Assisted, 13 Eternal, 15 Ravens, 16 Beards, 17 Elisha, 18 Cup, 21 Oil.

Prayer Matters

At the beginning of June we met with friends from other churches in Brierfield for “The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity”. These are a few of the prayers we offered up together. They remind us of our common faith and our witness together in our local community and also to our troubled world.

“Loving God, grant us the gift of hope in abundance in a world troubled by division and violence. Strengthen your people afflicted by apathy and fear”.

“Merciful God, forgive us for the times we have failed to live a common life as Christians. Draw us more deeply to One Faith in You so that we may witness to the world.”

Compassionate God, lead us to work together so that wherever there is darkness and oppression, suffering and injustice, we may bring your light and freedom”



As brothers and sisters of Jesus we ask for God's blessing on our work.
Bind us together. Amen

Kathryn

*If you have anything you would like to be added to the prayer chain,
please send it to Kathryn:*

Email: bbprayer@outlook.com

Mobile: 07305 541647

Please leave a message if there is no immediate answer





*Brierfield Baptist Church
Welcomes Prospect Brass Band
from Standish*



Strawberry Tea



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SATURDAY 19TH JULY 2PM

Tickets £8 everyone welcome

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2025		Preacher	Door Steward	Service Leader
6th July	10.30 a.m.	Gerald Norcross	Jack Wellman	Gillian Fogg
	Vestry Prayers:	<i>Cynthia/Kathryn</i>	<i>Communion: End Of Service</i>	Janice Greenwood
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		
13th July	10.30 a.m.	Bea Foster	Bernice Baldwin	Janice Greenwood
	Vestry Prayers:	<i>David/Neil</i>	<i>Communion: Start Of Service</i>	Grahame Baldwin
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		
20th July	10.30 a.m.	Stephen Wells	Janice Greenwood	Glenys Leeming
	Vestry Prayers:	<i>Nigel/Janice</i>	<i>Communion: End Of Service</i>	Mark Wilkes
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		
27th July	10.30 a.m.	Keith Richardson	Angela Higgin	Jack Wellman
	Vestry Prayers:	<i>Grahame/Peter</i>	<i>Communion: End Of Service</i>	Peter Lewis
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		
3rd August	10.30 a.m.	James Addison	Glenys Leeming	Melanie Lewis
	Vestry Prayers:	<i>Cynthia/Mark</i>	<i>Communion: End Of Service</i>	David Leeming
		NO EVENING SERVICE		
10th August	10.30 a.m.	Miles Alderson	Mark Wilkes	Elaine Lord
	Vestry Prayers:	<i>David/Kathryn</i>	<i>Communion: Start Of Service</i>	Nigel Leeming
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		
17th August	10.30 a.m.	Greg Eldon	Neil Binns	Elizabeth Wilkes
	Vestry Prayers:	<i>Nigel/Neil</i>	<i>Communion: End Of Service</i>	Cynthia I'Anson
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		
24th August	10.30 a.m.	Mark Wilkes	Jack Wellman	Mark Wilkes
	Vestry Prayers:	<i>Grahame/Janice</i>	<i>Communion: End Of Service</i>	Janice Greenwood
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		
31st August	10.30 a.m.	Andrew Wraight	Bernice Baldwin	Cynthia I'Anson
	Vestry Prayers:	<i>Cynthia/Peter</i>	<i>Communion: End Of Service</i>	Grahame Baldwin
	6.00 p.m.	NO EVENING SERVICE		

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