

This week @ a glance



Life Groups meet on Tues, Wed & Thurs evenings & Wed morning, see Dave S or Christine S for details.

Mon	9.00am 7.00pm	Staff meeting & prayer @ Forefront Prayer walk starting @ Chard Baptist Church
Tues	10.30am	Bible Study @ Forefront
Wed	9.30am 10.30am	Prayer meeting @ Forefront Coffee & Co @ Forefront
Thurs	11.00am	Sunnymeade service @ Sunnymeade Care home
Fri	7.30pm	180° - Girls n' Boys night @ Forefront. (9pm finish)
Sun	10.00am 10.30am	Prayer before the service in the cafe area. Morning service @ the Guildhall Lunchbox @ the Guildhall after the morning service



Requests for help - Dave Sutcliffe and Ben Grave were in town last Saturday asking people what they thought of church. They met Nina Al-Temimi, a lady who volunteers in the British Heart Foundation shop in town. She asked if there is anyone in the church who...

- would like to volunteer in the BHF shop in Chard?
- would like to do some childcare work? A couple of hours each day after school looking after her well-behaved son (11yrs), who goes to Tatworth school, & helping him with his school work until she returns from work. If you can help, contact her on 0771 5312097.

Kids news... from next week the groups will have brand new names & this might also mean a change of room – watch this space for more info!

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Welcome to forefrontcommunitychurch

Sunday 29 January 2012

Our **Back to Church** service today will be led by *Andrew Conlan*. *Tom Smith* will be speaking on *God's plan 'A'*.

The children and young people will be leaving later in the service for their groups, Crèche (helpers: *Lynne Masterman & Celia Porter*), & Bubbles groups are downstairs; Splash, X-Stream & 180° (school aged) are upstairs. They will all rejoin us at the end of the service.

If it is your child's first time here today you will need to sign them in if they would like to join in the children's activities. Ask someone at the back with a badge on for more info.

Later today... Communion service @ the Graves' home, 6.30pm



Lunchbox – next week!

Everyone is invited to our shared lunch after the morning service next week. Please bring some food to share. There is limited fridge space so please bring cool bags where necessary & please note we will not be using the ovens.

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Intro eve
Wed 8 March
Book today!
(More info inside)

BARN
DANCE

Live music from
Hobson's Choice
Fri 23 March
Tickets available
soon!

Visitors

If you are a visitor here this morning, welcome! We pray that you have an enjoyable time with us. If you would like to know more about us or other activities that happen during the week please speak to one of the Connect Team, who should have met you on your way in. We'd be grateful if you could also take the time to sign our visitors book. Thank you.

'Combe Street days' display

At the back today is a display of photos from the 'Combe Street days'. Do take a look at the end of the service.

One life – What's it all about?

The Christianity Explored course gives time and space to think about the big questions of life as well as providing a chance to explore the life of the person at the heart of the Christian faith – Jesus Christ.

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The course runs over 7 evenings with plenty of time to ask any questions and for group discussion. The introductory evening is on Wed 8 Feb and includes a buffet meal. Places for the introductory evening can be booked by phoning Forefront Centre 01460 66080 or e-mailing the church office on office@forefront.org.uk. If you attend the introductory evening there is no obligation to attend the full 7 week course. Please use the invitations on the back table to invite people.

Fri 23 March @ Chard Guildhall

Get out your dancing shoes! The doors will open from 7.30pm. There will be live music from Hobsons Choice, a buffet and bar. Tickets are £5 and include entry and food. They will be available soon from Forefront Centre (see back page for contact details).

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Church weekend... please return booking forms by **Sun 12 Feb**.

Doreen Kelland says thank you for the cards, prayers & support she has received whilst being in hospital. She is home, & welcoming visitors!

Dates for the diary...

- **Missions Prayer group** @ 2 Foxglove Way, Sun 5 Feb, 3.30pm. Come & pray for folk serving the Lord in the UK & overseas.
- **Life group leaders meeting** @ Forefront, Mon 6 Feb, 7.45pm
- **Training for Life Exhibition** @ Chard Baptist (NB venue change), Sat 11 Feb, 9.30am
- **Women's World Day of Prayer** @ the Church of the Good Shepherd, Fri 2 March, 2.30pm. This year the theme is praying for Malaysia. Speaker: Rosemary Tout from Hinton St George
- **Church Prayer meeting** @ the Graves' home, Fri 2 March, 7.30pm.

PRAYER DIARY – PLEASE PRAY FOR

MONDAY	... Mike & Jenny Lister (previously Conlan) preparing for their trips to Nicaragua & Mozambique.
TUESDAY	... those who meet today for the bible study group. Pray for God to give each the Spirit of wisdom & revelation so that they may know Him better.
WEDNESDAY	... Messy Church. Give thanks for growing numbers.
THURSDAY	... the service at Sunnymeade Care Home this morning.
FRIDAY	... the organisation & preparation for the church weekend away in February. Particularly pray for Brad & Robin Ringer who will be leading it for us.
SATURDAY	... local church leaders, leaders in local government & our MP in their various roles in our community, & for wisdom in all their decision making.
SUNDAY	... the Christianity Explored Intro Evening & course – starting next Wednesday.

Street Pastors Prayer

Tomorrow night (Mon), a group from the different churches in Chard will be meeting to pray for the work of Street Pastors and for Chard. They are meeting outside the Baptist Church at 7pm and will be taking a short walk around the town centre pausing briefly at different points to pray silently. If you would like any more specific info please contact Terry Field, one of the Street Pastor management team on terry@thfield.eclipse.co.uk.

Chard Churches Together Lent Course

This year we are using a course prepared by York Courses, Bishop Graham Cray and others, called *Handing on the Torch*. The 5 week course runs throughout lent and will cover the following subjects: A Christian Country?, A Secular Society?, A Beleaguered Church?, Competing Creeds? and Handing on the Torch.

Groups will be meeting at different venues in the town starting the week beginning 27 Feb. There is a choice of different days and times. Please use the sign up sheet at the back to indicate your choice by **Sun 19 Feb**.

Please stay for coffee/tea after the service today and return your cup to the hatch when you are finished. If the hatch is closed please be prepared to wash up your own cup so we leave the kitchen tidy. Thanks.