

# Touchstone

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## WELCOME TO CANLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

We hope you will enjoy & benefit from our service today and find God speaking into your life. A good way of getting to understand the life at **C.C.C.** is by visiting our church website **www.canley.org.uk** 

#### **BAPTISM SERVICE**

We give a special welcome today to family & friends of Irene Smith & Ken & Bree MacDonald on the occasion of their baptism. We trust you enjoy the time spent with us.

#### THE 4CS NEEDS YOU!

Could YOU lend a hand at the cafe? We need someone who can ...

- commit to pray for the prayer requests we receive from our customers.
- collect and remove items for recycling each week
- help tidy up the hall when the cafe closes, in preparation for the next church activity.
- talk and listen to our customers who want to chat.
- maintain (and repair if necessary) our advertising signs.
- take orders from our customers and use a cash register (full training will be given).
- If you can help fill one of these vacancies above, please talk to Claire as soon as possible.

#### **PRAYER FOCUS**

- Pray for Comfort Davis, her fellow workers and the people of Nigeria. Particularly as they go to church – pray for safety and freedom of worship & freedom of movement.
- Pray for Brenda Arms & Maurine Gardner (Karen Clark's mum) who are both poorly & needing the grace of God. Pray for their family/carers.

### HOUSE GROUP BIBLE STUDY READ: Psalm 103

#### **REFLECT:**

- 'Praise the Lord, O my Soul.' This exhortation is a kind of self-talk that David encourages himself with. What are the reasons for gratitude given in verses 3-5?
- 2. If you were to personalise this section- what would you be including?
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- 3. **Verses 6-11** start with a reflection on God's action in Israel's history. How do **vs 6-8** apply to
  - The Exodus
  - The wilderness journey
  - Entering & living in the promised land?
- 4. **Verse 6** has a particular power for Israel **see Psalm 146:7-9.** Remind you of anyone?
- 5. Verses 10-14 brings to God as the patient Parent. How does God demonstrate his Fatherly care for us? (see Rom 8:12-17). What are the reminders of God as creator in these verses – what beginning does God remember in vs 14?

**Verses 15-20** starts with contrasting the passing nature of man with the steadfast love of God. **Verses 17 & 18** forms the heart of God's Covenant relationship with his people.

**6.** But how does David connect our response to God's initiative? **Phil 2:12-13** 

#### **RESPOND**

- Memorise one of the sections of this Psalm Verses 1-5 or 10-12.
- Take some of the ideas in question 2 and write your own psalm of praise to God.

OUR SERVICES TODAY
BREAKFAST@9.30
Family Worship & Baptism
Speaker: David Robbins
Songs from the Psalms
Psalm 103 - Reasons to be thankful

6.30pm Communion Service

NEXT WEEK
9.30am Early Communion
Family Worship
Speaker: Bernie Dodd
Songs from the Psalms
Psalm 19 God speaks!

6.30pm NO Communion Service

#### **ROTA REMINDERS**

**COFFEE** 

May 25 Barbara P & Tres Akester June 1 Lily Read & Alma Walters FLOWERS:

May 25 Jean Godfrey
June 1 Barbara Preston

Contact dougpreston@talktalk.net for Touchstone & prayer requests. See above for study questions on this week's house group study