

SUNDAY 26th FEBRUARY 2023



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A Proud Parent

Last Sunday, Tracey and I travelled to London to attend a concert that our daughter, Victoria, was presenting. For those who don't know, Victoria is a professional flautist. With COVID, we have had very few opportunities over the past few years to hear her play – so this was very special for us. As she played through her fiendishly difficult repertoire and explained the various techniques she was using and the different kinds of flutes in her collection, we could not help but be impressed by how much she had developed as a player and as a person since we last heard her. We could not have been more proud!

I wonder what our heavenly Father feels as he watches us? Does He too feel pride at how we have developed, at what we have achieved and what we can now do? I am sure He does on occasions, but at other times we must disappoint Him greatly. But we know without a shadow of a doubt that He still loves us and cares for us deeply – the Bible tells us so ...

Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? [Matthew 6 v 26](#)

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PEOPLE:

At the time of writing, it is only Roy who is in hospital and we continue to remember him. We also remember those in our fellowship who whilst not in hospital, are very poorly, living with chronic health conditions, or just not able to shake recurring illness. In particular, please pray for Jill Welling who is very poorly.

Many happy returns to Marion Richardson, who becomes an octogenarian on the 1st March.

SELF-DENIAL 2023 APPEAL:

This year's Self-Denial Appeal altar service will take place on Sunday 5th March 2023. This is an opportunity to give financially to the work of the Salvation Army overseas in supporting young people.

FLOWERS:

Thank you to Myriam and Steve for providing the flowers on our altar table this morning.

DON'T MISS OUT:

We're continuing with our Bible series this week – make sure you pick up the 'take home' sheet from the hall as this will help you dig deeper. In particular, included on the sheet are 7 short Bible readings and reflections to help you read the Bible at home every day.

After today, the next Sunday meeting of this series will not be until 12th March – so you have 14 days to do 7 readings! A great opportunity to catch up if you've got a bit behind!

EMPLOYMENT AT RESOUND CHURCH:

Resound Church have asked us to advertise the following vacancies:

Pastoral and Discipleship Lead – £10,600 (£26,500 FTE) 14 hours a week

This role will suit an individual who is interested in working closely with people, preferably with some experience of supporting elderly and/or vulnerable people. The pastoral and discipleship lead will hold responsibility for overseeing pastoral care for adults at Resound, as well as acting as a primary support for small groups and their leaders. This role holder will need to be willing to support the congregation and staff of Resound in an inclusive manner, recognising the diversity of the community.

Caretaker – £16,072 (£22,500 FTE) 25 hours a week

This role will suit an organised person, able to work flexible hours with some evening and/or weekends. They will be responsible for looking after the Resound building, ensuring all is kept in good working order, carry out basic repairs and cleaning.

The job descriptions can be found on the website – <https://www.resoundbristol.co.uk/vacancies>. Please email Cathy Knowles at hr@resoundbristol.co.uk to find out more, or if you would like an informal chat with a member of our team. To make an application, please send your CV and covering letter telling us why you would like to apply for this role. The closing date for applications is 7th March 2023.

BUILDING:

Thanks to Mike who has fixed the lock on the front sliding doors. We are still waiting the shutter company to resolve the on-going problems with the rear shutter.

WE NEED YOUR HELP:

We'd like to put together a list of books/apps/websites/podcasts that people use to help them with their Bible reading. So, if you have used, or are using, something that you're finding really helpful please let either Nicola or Linda know. Thank you.

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BAND LEAGUE
CONCERT

SATURDAY 4TH MARCH | 7PM

Tickets £5 (Band League Members Free - Still need a ticket)
Contact Becky Gardner on 07510 653169 or
scan this QR code to book your tickets



IN THE MONTH AHEAD:

Monday 6th March	Mission Council Meeting
Friday 10th March	Divisional Youth Rehearsals
Saturday 11th March	Coffee Morning
Sunday 12th March	YP Band & Singing Company at Stroud
Sunday 19th March	Mothers' Day
24th – 26th March	Territorial YP Workers weekend 'Shalom'

SOME MORE KEY DATES THIS YEAR:

Sunday 9th April	Easter Sunday inc. Concert in Page Park
Sunday 7th May	Page Park Coronation Event
Sunday 14th May	Page Park Praise
Sunday 4th June	Page Park Praise
Saturday 17th June	Armed Forces Day in Page Park
Sunday 2nd July	Page Park Praise
Sunday 6th August	Page Park Praise
Sunday 17th September	Page Park Praise
30th Sept / 1st Oct	Harvest Weekend
14th / 15th October	YP Prizegiving Weekend

THE WEEK AHEAD:

TODAY Sunday 26th February:

10am	All Age Worship Messiah: Our human need for love
11.30am-12:15pm	Children & Youth Activities
4pm-6pm	Messy Church

Monday 27th February:

8pm	CAMEO Craft Group – <i>all are welcome</i>
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Tuesday 28th February:

11am-12noon	Extra Slice Group at the Hall (leader: Kelvin)
12noon-6pm	Hall open for a <i>Warm Welcome</i>
6:30pm	YP Band Practice
7:15pm	Singing Company Practice
7:30pm	Senior Band Practice

Wednesday 1st March:

9:30am-11am	Tots on the Hill
3:30pm-4:30pm	Extra Slice Group online (leader: Gerry)
7:45pm-9pm	Extra Slice Group at Linda's house
8:15pm-9:15pm	Extra Slice Group online (leader: Beth)

Thursday 2nd March:

12.30pm	Lunch Club
6:45pm	Extra Slice Group at Colin & Nicola's house
8:15pm-9:15pm	Extra Slice Group online (leaders: Ian & Rachel)

Friday 3rd March: *Women's World Day of Prayer*

2:30pm	<i>Service at St James' Church Mangotsfield</i>
12noon-6pm	Hall open for a <i>Warm Welcome</i>

Saturday 4th March:

7pm	Band League Concert
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Sunday 5th March: *led by the Senior Band*

10am	All Age Worship <i>Inc. Self Denial Appeal Altar Service Collection</i>
11.30am-12:15pm	Children & Youth Activities