Welcome – to Beacon Community Church, on this the 17th Oct 2021 either on our Church Facebook Site. We will no longer be using Zoom on a Sunday, so please follow us on Facebook.

The service will start with a time of worship, and due to restrictions on Facebook, the Facebook time to join is about 11:05

where you will be welcomed, for the duration of the service thereafter.

**This will be our format from now on!**

10:45am in Church

Good morning and welcome what a joy it is to put on the garments of Praise to deal with our Spirits of heaviness. Then we see in Isaiah 61 – 10 I am overwhelmed with Joy in the Lord my God. For He has clothed in Garments of Salvation. And draped me in robes of righteousness. I am like a bride groom dressed for his wedding, or a bride adorned with Jewels!

So, lets Praise God.

Great is Thy Faithfulness. – Austin Stone

Shine Jesus Shine – Graham Kendrick

2 Choruses – My Shackles are gone. And Father Abraham

I want to walk with Jesus Christ.

**Turn on Facebook**

Praising God as we all know, can lift us and take us into a different space – And what it looks like is completely different to our previous status, for this is because its Gods purpose to dress us with Salvation and righteous.

**Let’s Pray!**

**Message – What is the work of God in this Place?**

**Scripture – Psalm 25 1-10**

1 O Lord, I give my life to you.
**2**I trust in you, my God! Do not let me be disgraced, or let my enemies rejoice in my defeat.
**3**No one who trusts in you will ever be disgraced, but disgrace comes to those who try to deceive others.

**4**Show me the right path, O Lord; point out the road for me to follow.
**5**Lead me by your truth and teach me, for you are the God who saves me. All day long I put my hope in you.
**6**Remember, O Lord, your compassion and unfailing love, which you have shown from long ages past.
**7**Do not remember the rebellious sins of my youth. Remember me in the light of your unfailing love, for you are merciful, O Lord.

**8**The Lord is good and does what is right; he shows the proper path to those who go astray.
**9**He leads the humble in doing right, teaching them his way.
**10**The Lord leads with unfailing love and faithfulness all who keep his covenant and obey his demands.

1. **What a Testimony – Vs 1 – 3 I give my life to You God! I trust in You my God. No one who trusts in you will be disgraced.**
2. **Here we see how the Psalmist asks God to show me the right Path – vs 4-5 Show me the right path, O Lord; point out the road for me to follow.
5Lead me by your truth and teach me, for you are the God who saves me. All day long I put my hope in you**

**whilst there are cases throughout scripture of God giving explicit instructions to His servants, there is a pressing need throughout scripture us Gods People drawing close to God, leaning on Him for guidance each day as the needs arise.**

1. **Here God teaches us the paths to take – Vs 8-9 Good and upright is the Lord;
    therefore he instructs sinners in his ways. He guides the humble in what is right
    and teaches them his way.**

**One of the keys to discover Gods Will lies in Humility. This means being willing to let Go and let God have His way in our lives. The road that God sets out before us is often completely different than what our plans would be, and it takes humility to recognise this.**

1. **We are guided by Gods Word – Psalm 119:105 Your word is a lamp for my feet a light on my path.**

**The Psalmist classes Scripture as a lamp and light – a Beacon – By reading it, memorising it, applying it to our lives, better equips us to follow Christ and to avoid getting way laid.**

1. **He makes our Path Straight (Proverbs 3:5-6**

**Trust in the Lord with all Your heart, and lean not on your own understanding, and in all your ways submit to Him and He will make straight your paths.**

1. **The Lord leads with unfailing love and faithfulness all who keep his covenant and obey his demands.**

**We have the Garments of Praise for the Spirit of Heaviness.**

**Methodism – Goes back to John & Charles Wesley – I want to take you to what would have been a beautiful little village in North Wales on the border of Shropshire – It now has two big factories Cadbury’s and Kronospan – One makes chocolate the other makes Chipboard and MDF boards.**

**But back in the day, it was farms then mining that came later.**

The story of Methodism in this village = Chirk (Where Claire and I lived shortly after we were married) goes back to the time of John Wesley (1703 to 1791) when preachers visiting Chirk led to regular meetings afternoon and evening in the Nailer’s cottage near the Village Green. When any of the Traveling Preachers came the service was held in the large kitchen of Meegwun or sometimes in the open air between two oak trees in the lane leading to the farm. **John Wesley himself preached under one of the oak trees and stayed the night at the farm.** Later two cottages adjoining the Nailer’s were rented and made into one for services. (This is now an office of Kronospan and the Oak Tree is still there)

The theme of John Wesley’s message included “**What is the work of God in this place”?**

Soon afterwards, in 1835, the Chirk Methodists were among those who seceded from the parent body to form the Wesleyan Methodist Association, which in 1857 joined with other Method­ist groups to form the United Methodist Free Churches. An Act of Parliament en­abled Welsh landlords to grant sites for religious worship and led in 1874-75 to the building of a chapel on a site adjoining the old meeting room.

This whole story speaks of **spiritual live­liness throughout,** not forgetting the impact of the Great Welsh Revival of 1904, that impacted upon local villages such as Chirk, Ruabon, Llangollen from within the mines at Black Park, Bersham, Gresford Llay and Hifton – the revival reached from the south Wales valleys to the north Wales mining villages too.

**The same spiritual liveliness is evident in the work at Station Avenue, Chirk**.

The roots of this probably go back to the time after 1819 when the Primitive Methodists missioned ‘Chester and Oswestry’.

The above article appeared in the Chirk Methodist Church birthday celebration brochure entitled “THE ONE FOUNDATION” dated May 29th, 1971.

Oh I pray we grasp the same Spiritual Liveliness, that is indeed Gods Work for our lives in This this place for His glory.

**Isaiah 61 specifically 1-3 is my calling you know it only too well.**

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is upon me, for the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to comfort the broken-hearted and to proclaim that captives will be released
    and prisoners will be freed.
**2**He has sent me to tell those who mourn that the time of the Lord’s favour has come,
    and with it, the day of God’s anger against their enemies.
**3**To all who mourn in Israel,[ he will give a crown of beauty for ashes,
a joyous blessing instead of mourning, festive praise instead of despair.
In their righteousness, they will be like great oaks hat the Lord has planted for his own glory.

If I can’t fulfil this calling without Passion – I shouldn’t do it all! It should be performed with a Joyous blessing and Praise for the Glory of God.

I commend Gods Word to you this morning, allow God to Guide you, direct you and build you up to be the person He created you to be!

Yours in Christ Pastor Paul

**Notices**

Sunday 17th 5:30pm Café Church

Monday 18th 2pm Chairobics Friendship Group. - 5 -7pm BIDS - 8pm Prayer meeting on Zoom.

Tuesday 19th 6:30pm Pilates

Thursday 21st 6:30 Prayer meeting in the BCC-Centre – 7:15pm Community Choir

Sunday 24th 10:45am John Partington – Sunday 31st 10:45am Charlie Byrne - 2pm Dedication

Monday 1st Nov 9:00 – 11:00 – We launch The Beacon “Community Café” Food for thought! Tell a friend a neighbour a family Member and come along together. If you can bake a cake or buy one, please see Maureen or Shirley. And please make sure ingredients accompany them.

Monday 1st Nov 7:15pm Outreach Group

Sunday 7th – straight after morning service – Business meeting in church! Please make a note to be there! Followed by Dedication

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Closing Hymns - As the deer Pants 37 – To God be the Glory 708

Benediction