

Prayer and Fasting week 12-20 September

Saturday 6pm - launch event online, all welcome.

Saturday 7pm-8am - Night of prayer.

Sunday 8-9am - Breakfast prayer zoom, all welcome.

Please see flyer for more information and zoom links.



There is no change to our streaming of Sunday services which will continue to be broadcast as usual to allow people to sing and worship in their own settings - to attend the Sunday morning service you will need to pre-book a place and follow the restrictions (See details later in the notice sheet).

Sunday 10.30am online worship - www.romfordbaptist.org.uk/live

How are you living? - Colossians 1: 3-14

Evening online worship 6pm - www.romfordbaptist.org.uk/live

Are we going through the motions? - Malachi 1

This week:

Tuesday prayer meeting, 8pm, all welcome to join via Zoom, please email office@romfordbaptist.org.uk for the zoom link or Meeting ID and Passcode.

No 'Journey' 18-30s Life Group this week.

Midweek Wednesday service, 12.45-1.15pm, booking for this service is **essential** at bookings@romfordbaptist.org.uk or by calling 01708 743382 option 5. Please only call or email these options as different people may be monitoring the line/email.

Wednesdays @RBC, 16 September, 7.45pm, we will be commencing a new course called "The Character Course" which covers the key themes of Christian Discipleship and will take place via Zoom. All are welcome to join, there will be a time of discussion/learning together and then followed on by discussions in break out groups. Please email office@romfordbaptist.org.uk for the zoom link or Meeting ID and Passcode.

If you are a **student** heading to university (either for the first time or back), please can you email your postal address to Hayley at office@romfordbaptist.org.uk

The next **Grapevine** submission deadline is Sunday 20 September.

Foodbank requirements:

coffee	sugar	custard	snacks	crisps	chocolate
crackers	jellies	shampoo	shower gel	soap	toothpaste
					razors

Prayer needs:

Please continue to pray for: Lilian Wingate, Lolete Hanyana, Linda Flack, Maureen Smith, David Wilkinson, Junior (Margaret Griffith's brother), Don and Daphne May, Richard and Sylvia Daly, Vaska Trayanova.

Margaret Griffiths and family would like to thank the church for their prayers for her brother and sister, they are on the mend. The family are very grateful.

Please pray for Llewellyn, Bree's brother, who has been admitted to ICU and is undergoing tests.

Please remember Anthea McCulloch and the family following the home call of her Mum and the funeral service that took place recently.

Please pray for all those who have been bereaved in recent weeks and months especially Julie Kelly and their families after Simon Bavin passed away recently. Pray also for Ade Ogunleye and family, Felicia Okoroji and family, Yemi and Jide Fawunmi and family and for those who knew Martin Tucker.

Please pray for all who are affected by the Coronavirus especially those who are struggling with physical & mental health issues.

Please pray for those who are waiting to undergo further hospital treatment.

Winter Gardens: Pray for Winter Gardens at this time.



Children, youth and students activities

1. **RBC Kingdom Kids TV:** this will be loaded on to the website for you soon: www.romfordbaptist.org.uk/kktv
2. **RBC Youth Stream**, Sunday, 12.30pm: a live interactive resource for young people, school years 6 – 13. Please use the following link: please email office@romfordbaptist.org.uk for the zoom link or Meeting ID and Passcode. Sessions will be recorded for Safeguarding Purposes.
3. **RBC Students Stream**, Sunday, 6.30pm: a live interactive resource for young people in school years 10-13 and university. please email office@romfordbaptist.org.uk for the zoom link or Meeting ID and Passcode. Sessions will be recorded for Safeguarding Purposes.
4. **Youth Game night**, Wednesday, 6pm: we will be hosting an online interactive game night for young people in school years 6-9. To play, you need a laptop or tablet and <https://buzzin.live> open on your device so you can buzz in! This session will be recorded for Safeguarding Purposes. please email office@romfordbaptist.org.uk for the zoom link or Meeting ID and Passcode.
5. **Online Youth Mentoring:** If your young people would like to take part in group or one-to-one mentoring from Hannah Griffiths, Children, Youth & Families Worker, via zoom, email office@romfordbaptist.org.uk with an appropriate email address for them to be contacted. Sessions will be recorded for Safeguarding Purposes.



Offerings and Tithes

We are grateful to all who have continued to give their offerings and tithes to the church at this time after 25 weeks of not meeting.

There are several ways to give to the church including online at www.romfordbaptist.org.uk/giving

The BACS details for the church account is: Romford Baptist Church. Sort Code No. 83 04 25 Account No. 19354486

You can also post a Cheque to the church or put your offerings aside and bring them in when you come back to church. Thank you.

**Sunday 20
September, 4-**

**5pm on
zoom.** A fun
interactive
event for
families with

children in school years 1-5, including games, an easy craft and also animated Bible stories for everyone to enjoy. Sessions will be recorded for Safeguarding Purposes.



But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: 'Be holy, because I am holy' (1 Peter 1:15-16 - RBC Year Text)

Booking guidelines for new services at RBC

To book a place please email bookings@romfordbaptist.org.uk or telephone 01708 743382 (option 5) (**this email and phone number only please**). Please state which service and date you are booking in to. The deadline for booking the Sunday morning service is 1pm Saturday and for the Wednesday service it will be Tuesday 10pm. If you do not hear from someone before Sunday (or Wednesday) confirming you have a place please try again.

You will need to book for the following service(s):

1. The Sunday 10.30am service.
2. Midweek Wednesday service, 12.45pm.

If you would like to come to a service, please note the following:

1. Do not come if you have any of the symptoms of Covid-19, including high temperature, persistent cough, loss of taste or smell etc.
2. You need to book in advance, please do not just turn up and once we are at capacity, no one else will be able to come.
3. When you book you will be asked to provide us with your name, address and phone number as these details have to be kept for 21 days. You will also be asked how many seats you require. If you have booked and find you can no longer come, please do cancel so others can take your place.
4. The doors will not be open until 15 minutes before the service in order to reduce the length of time we are in contact with one another. This means that if you arrive early you can remain in your car rather than needing to stand and queue.
5. If you arrive after 5 minutes before the service, your seat may have been reallocated to someone who has noticed we are open for worship and who wishes to join the service.
6. Everyone will need to observe social distancing. There can be no handshaking, hugging, kissing or physical contact at all.
7. Stewards will direct you to a seat (you cannot necessarily sit in your favourite seat, please sit where you have been asked). There is also a one-way system in place in the church building. Please keep to it without exception.
8. The wearing of masks in the building is now required by law unless you're exempt for medical reasons and there will be no singing, open prayer or shouted out comments or responses.
9. A photograph will be taken during the service to show where people are sitting for NHS Test and Trace purposes.
10. At the conclusion, there will be no drinks and you will be encouraged to leave the building relatively quickly.
11. Except for Youth Church and Creative Church, there will be no children or youth programmes in services. Children/young people are under the responsibility of their parents/guardian and should remain with them at all times.
12. There are a number of hand sanitisers around the building including at the entrance and by all the toilets. Please sanitise your hands as you enter the building.
13. Please use the toilets as little as possible. Once you have washed your hands, any door out of the toilets can be opened with a shoulder push or with your foot.
14. There will be fixed boxes for those who wish to bring their offerings and they can be placed in the box before or after the service.

We recognise that this may feel a bit daunting, but we are required to follow this guidance. The reality is that it will feel very familiar to you as this is what many of us have been doing in recent weeks. Yes we are people of faith and believe in the protection of God, but in the words of Jesus when tempted by Satan to jump, responded "we should not put the Lord thy God to the test." Along with faith, God also gave us common sense.