

tithes & offering

We stand and declare that we are all cheerful givers. We commit these tithes and our offerings to God as our first fruits, our expressions of gratitude for God's goodness. We give because God so loved us that He first gave by sending His only Son to die for our sins. We gladly proclaim that "It is more blessed to give than to receive"; we are blessed as individuals and as a church family. We will continue to give cheerfully to the building up of the Kingdom of God and the work of His church because we know that this is what God desires of His faithful followers.

MEMBERS TO BE REMEMBERED IN OUR PRAYERS

Sis. Ruby Beckford
Sis. Enid Shand
Sis. Enid Coke
Sis. Claire Anderson
Sis. Hazel Davis
Sis. Violet McLeary
Sis. Samantha Taylor Brown
Bro. Donald Miller
Bro. David Levermore
Bro. Frankie Dinnald
Rev. and Mrs. Earl & Patricia Morgan



If you can call, visit or say a prayer for these brethren, it would be appreciated tremendously.

UPCOMING EVENTS—JUNE

- * Deacons' Board Meeting—June 6, 2024
- * Funeral Service for the late Sis. Aldith Binns will be held on Thur. June 13, 2024 at 10 a.m.
- * Father's Day—June 16, 2024
- * Funeral Service for the late Sis. May Harding will be held on Friday, June 21, 10:00 am. Interment at Dovecot.
- * Council Retreat—June 28-29, 2024



Pause on a Tuesday for
Midday Meditation from
11:45 am to 12:45 pm



Participate in Bible Study
on Wednesdays at 6:30
p.m.

Please find zoom links below

BARBICAN BAPTIST CHURCH

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Musicians: Francois Brown (on duty)
Oneil Simpson
Brett Blackellar

Sunday School Supt.: Sis. Sharon Earle Edwards

Sunday School: 8:00 a.m.

Join us at: <https://tinyurl.com/BBCSundaySchool>

Meeting ID: 859 2802 5543 **Passcode:** 113204

New Members' Class: 8:00 a.m.

Join us at: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88115398995?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88115398995?pwd=VVJWeVdoNmIzVTIEUkpaZ3MvQXR5UT09)

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Meeting ID: 881 1539 8995 **Passcode:** 269869

Golden Spring Church: 11:00—12:30 p.m.

Midday Meditation: Tuesday @ 11:45—12:45 p.m.

Join us at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81889246904?pwd=VU1nMDRaRWhObY9Xa1RzdjZKVdD1dz09>

Meeting ID: 818 8924 6904 **Password:** 044267

Women's Federation: 2nd Sundays after worship

Finance Committee Meeting: Third Tuesdays
Prayer Meeting and Bible Study: Wednesdays
@ 6:30 p.m. Join us at <https://s02web.zoom.us/j/81318665303?pwd=NEd6bXNIWXJ6Z0EyZXJxOEVEV2pQZz09>

Meeting ID: 813 1866 5303 **Password:** 130948
Youth Fellowship: Fridays @ 7:00 p.m.

Praise Team Practice: Saturdays @ 5:00 p.m.
Church Council Meeting: Thursday before 1st Sunday

Barbican Baptist Church

THE FRIENDLY CHURCH

Sunday Morning Divine Worship Service & Holy Communion

June 2, 2024

9:15 A.M.

Church Year Theme: Keeping Faith With The Word In An
Ever-Changing World: Pursuing Integrity

Theme for the Month: Integrity In Service



Leader:

Deacon Michelle Blackellar

Speaker:

Reverend Trevor Edwards

Deacon on Duty:

Deacon Agnes Gilbourne
Reverend Trevor Edwards

Pastor:

*Barbican/Golden Spring
Circuit of Baptist Churches*

APPROACH TO WORSHIP



Leader: Sovereign Lord, You have called many people to serve You,

People: We are honoured that You have called us,

Leader: We desire to use our gifts to honour and glorify Your name,

People: Give ear to us as we worship You today,

Leader: Help us to know You better as we serve,

People: With faithfulness and obedience,

All: Amen

Choruses of Praise

- Heart of Worship
- Here's My Worship

Gathering Hymn #58
Baptist Praise & Worship

Meekness and Majesty,
Manhood and Deity,
In perfect harmony,
The Man who is God.
Lord of eternity
Dwells in humanity,
Kneels in humility
And washes our feet.

*O what a mystery,
Meekness and majesty.
Bow down and worship
For this is your God,
This is your God.*

Father's pure radiance,
Perfect in innocence,
Yet learns obedience
To death on a cross.
Suffering to give us life,
Conquering through sacrifice,
And as they crucify
Prays: 'Father forgive.'

Wisdom unsearchable,
God the invisible,
Love indestructible
In frailty appears.
Lord of infinity,
Stooping so tenderly,
Lifts our humanity
To the heights of His throne

Graham Kendrick (1986)

Prayer Chorus: Search Me O God

PRAYER OF PRAISE, ADORATION & CONFESSION

The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father who art in heaven, holy holy holy
holy be Thy name*

Our Father who art in heaven, holy be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come on earth, Thy will be done on earth,

Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread (Repeat x 3)

And forgive us our trespasses (Repeat)

As we forgive those who trespass against us,

Forgive us our trespasses.

Do not lead us into temptation (Repeat)

But deliver us from all evil, (Repeat)

Amen, Amen, Amen! Amen, Amen, Amen!

(Arr. Fr. Richard HoLung)

Responsive Reading

Psalm 81:1-10
NRSV

Leader: Sing aloud to God our strength;
shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

People: Raise a song, sound the tambourine, the sweet lyre with the harp.

Leader: Blow the trumpet at the new moon,
at the full moon, on our festal day.

People: For it is a statute for Israel, an ordinance of the God of Jacob

Leader: He made it a decree in Joseph,
when he went out over the land of Egypt. I
hear a voice I had not known:

People: "I relieved your shoulder of the burden; your hands were freed from the basket.

Leader: In distress you called, and I rescued you;
I answered you in the secret place of thunder;
I tested you at the waters of Meribah. Selah

People: Hear, O my people, while I admonish you; O Israel, if you would but listen to me!

Leader: There shall be no strange god among you;
you shall not bow down to a foreign god.

All: I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide and I will fill it.

Delight

God ceased his creation and took delight in what he had done and declared that it was good. God could only have made that observation because he paused long enough to admire and appreciate all of creation. That's part of the delight in honouring the Sabbath, it is to honour God and to celebrate the creation. It is to delight in God's creation, animals, nature, and human beings. What a difference it would make if even one day in the week, we remember that God said after He created mankind that it was good. Therefore, can we see others through God's eyes, as created in God's image and, therefore, good?

Another aspect of delight is just our focus on God. The prophet Isaiah puts it well,

If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the Sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests or pursuing your own affairs, then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken. (Isa. 58:13-14).

Delighting in God could include, a silent retreat for part of the day, journaling what you hear the Lord saying to you, listening to and sharing in music and songs honouring God.

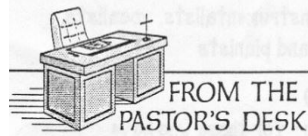
Worship

“Through acts of worship on the Sabbath, we open our heart to receive the love, grace and transformation that God offers.”¹ Many Christians use this day to pause and worship God, especially with family and friends. Do remember it's a day to let God have first place; therefore, there can be no place for picking a fight with neighbours, criticizing the organist or the caretaker; but practicing holiness. What a revolution this would be in our lives and church experience if we deliberately choose to honour God and all God's people on His Sabbath. Hence, let us, **“Be still on the Sabbath and listen to the voice of God, who longs to speak to your heart and guide your path.”**¹

Your pastor

Source: 1 - <https://anakin.ai/blog/happy-sabbath-quotes/>

Your Pastor



Are You a Sabbath Keeper?

Do you set aside a 24-hour period each week in which you stop your work and rest? ***“Sabbath is a time to rest, reflect, and renew our spirits.”***¹ When we hear about the Sabbath, however, we often immediately think about the Seventh Day Adventists and the seventh day. Jesus, however, insisted that the Sabbath is for all humanity, which He clearly states in Mark 2:27, which reads, *“Then he said to them, ‘The Sabbath was made for humankind and not humankind for the Sabbath,’”* (NRSV).

The Sabbath is a day God gave and commanded in the Decalogue to be observed. The Israelites were reminded of the need to keep the Sabbath holy as it was given to them by God on their release from oppression in Egypt. Observance of the Sabbath, then, is to demonstrate obedience to God and it is to honour God by accepting His gift.

Observance of the Sabbath is not a legalistic religious practice, demonstrating the superiority of one faith practice over another. As strict as the Pharisees were, Jesus had serious issues with them and no other religious group could rival them for their legalism. So, do not begin to believe you are an inferior Christian “product” if you do not engage or observe Saturday as your Sabbath day. It is not so much about which day, but that you honour God on that day whether Saturday, Sunday, or Friday.

As indicated, it’s a gift of a 24-hour period given by God to stop, rest, delight, and worship. Most people think only of rest and worship, and that’s ok. However, it includes all these actions.

Stop!

Are you comfortable letting go of your responsibilities on Sabbath, fully trusting God to run the world without you? This is essentially what it says, to cease from your labour, all work, paid or unpaid, done by yourself or through an employer. The ability to work is itself a gift from God. It reflects human dignity, creativity, and purpose, evidenced at the beginning of creation and preceding the fall.

However, after work comes rest, hence the need to stop. Stopping suggests that there is more to life than work. It expresses a willingness to be free from those cultural imperatives which make such a demand on one’s life. It could also be interpreted as a protest against the servitude of work and the worship of money.

Rest

“Work is a gift but so is rest. Embrace the Sabbath to restore balance in your life.”¹ Rest is essentially what that is - restoring balance in our life by intentionally withdrawing from work to relax, sleep, read, and play. It includes going for a walk, taking a swim, visiting an art gallery, or just relaxing in a safe park. In Deut., God reminded the Israelites of the importance of keeping the Sabbath when He implored them to, *“Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day”* (Deut. 5:15, NRSV). It is clear the see that, ***“In the simplicity of the Sabbath we discover that true peace comes not from external circumstances but from within.”***¹

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

WORSHIP THROUGH CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP

Brief Welcome

Announcements

Recognition of Birthdays &
Anniversaries – JUNE

Tithes and Offering and Doxology

Offertory song: Jehovah Jireh, My Provider

Sunday School Minutes

Prayer with the Children

Junior Church

Prayer of Intercession & Thanksgiving

WORSHIP THROUGH PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

Scripture Readings

O.T.—Deut. 5:12-15

N.T.—2 Corin. 4:5-12

Special

Selection:

Praise Team

PREPARATION CHORUS

*Bless Thy word unto our hearts
And glorify Thy name (rept.)
Glorify Thy name (rept.)
Bless Thy word unto our hearts
And glorify Thy name.*

Message



Rev. Trevor
Edwards

Hymn of Response

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Baptist Praise & Worship

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds,
in a believer's ear!
It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds,
and drives away our fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole
and calms the troubled breast;
it's manna to the hungry soul,
and to the weary, rest.

Dear name! the rock on which I build,
my shield and hiding-place,
my never-failing treasury, filled
with boundless stores of grace.

Jesus! my shepherd, brother, friend,
my prophet, priest, and king,
my Lord, my life, my way, my end,
accept the praise I bring.

Weak is the effort of my heart,
how cold my warmest thought;
but when I see you as you are,
I'll praise you as I ought.

Till then I would your love proclaim
with every fleeting breath;
and may the music of your name
refresh my soul in death.

John Newton (1779)

PREPARATION FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER

Hymn — #447
Baptist Praise & Worship
(tune #22 Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness)

Passover God, we remember your faithfulness,
God of the exodus, friend of the poor;
people bowed down with the burden of power-
lessness,
sin in its ruthlessness making them slaves.

Still people shrivel, imprisoned in bitterness,
hemmed in by fear and diminished by hate;
tormented prisoners and perishing hungry ones,
broken humanity calls for your aid.

You summoned Moses to work for the freedom
march,
you called the slaves to be people of hope;
set free from Egypt, you led them through desert
lands,
loving commands gave them justice and truth.

You gave the travellers bread in the wilderness;
strengthen us now with the bread that we share:
bread for the struggle and wine for rejoicing;
in Christ you free us and teach us to care.

We are your people, still called to a promised
land,
called for a purpose with Christ as the way;
grant us commitment to wholeness and liberty,
strength for the journey and grace for each day.

Christopher Ellis (b. 1949)

☪ Holy Communion ☪



Communion (Invitation, Institution,
Consecration, Distribution,
Communal prayer, collection)

Hymn —*In Remembrance of Me*

In remembrance of me eat this bread
In remembrance of me drink this wine
In remembrance of me pray for the time
when God's own will is done

In remembrance of me heal the sick
In remembrance of me feed the poor
In remembrance of me open the door
And let your brother in, let him in

Take eat and be comforted
Drink and remember too
That this is my body and precious blood
Shed for you, shed for you

C. T. McCormack

Covenant Sharing

☪ Closing Prayer ☪

☪ BENEDICTION ☪

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led, as we believe by the
Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus
Christ as our Saviour and, on the
profession of our faith, having been
baptized into the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we
do now, in the presence of God, and this
assembly, most solemnly and joyfully
enter into covenant with one another as
one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the
Holy Spirit to work together in Christian
love; to strive for the advancement of this
church, in knowledge, holiness, and
comfort; to promote its prosperity and
spirituality; to sustain its worship,
ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to
contribute cheerfully and regularly to the
support of the ministry, the expenses of
the church, the relief of the poor, and the
spread of the gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and
secret devotions; to religiously educate
our children, to seek the salvation of our
kindred and acquaintances; to walk
circumspectly in the world; to be just in
our dealings, faithful in our engage-
ments, and exemplary in our
deportment; to avoid all tattling,
backbiting, and excessive anger; to seek
God's help in abstaining from all drugs,
food, drink, and practices which bring
unwarranted harm to the body or
jeopardize our own or another's faith.

We further engage to watch over one
another in brotherly and sisterly love; to
remember one another in prayer; to aid
one another in sickness and distress; to
cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling
and Christian courtesy in speech; to be
slow to take offence, but always ready
for reconciliation and mindful of the rules
of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we
remove from this place we will, as soon as
possible, unite with some other church
where we can carry out the spirit of this
covenant and the principles of God's
Word.



JUNE 2024

Birthdays

- 02 – Sister Tanketa Chance Wilson
- 03 – Sister Delrose Montague
- 04 – Sister Mavis Smith
- 05 – Sister Dionne O'Conner
- 06 – Miss Cai Thorpe
- 06 – Miss Charleigh Thorpe
- 10 – Sister Samantha Taylor-Brown
- 11 – Sister Matilda Arava
- 17 – Sister Jennifer Ellington
- 17 – Mr. Larklin Christie
- 18 – Sister Ann Hooper
- 18 – Mr. Jahnoi McCallum
- 21 – Brother Owen Dobson
- 23 – Sister Paulette Groves-Robinson
- 26 – Brother Chevane Dyer
- 27 – Sister Colleen Morrison

Anniversaries

- 06 – Mr. & Mrs. Clement and Jen-
nifer Ellington
- 09 – Mr & Mrs Samuel and Kezia
Arava
- 12 – Mr & Mrs Gregory and Michelle
Hamilton