

the : word

Matthew 3:1-17

¹In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the Desert of Judea ²and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near." ³This is he who was spoken of through the prophet Isaiah:

"A voice of one calling in the desert,
'Prepare the way for the Lord,
make straight paths for him.'"

⁴John's clothes were made of camel's hair, and he had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵People went out to him from Jerusalem and all Judea and the whole region of the Jordan. ⁶Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. ⁷But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to where he was baptizing, he said to them: "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? ⁸Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. ⁹And do not think you can say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. ¹⁰The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.

¹¹"I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me will come one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not fit to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. ¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire."

¹³Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. ¹⁴But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?"

¹⁵Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness." Then John consented.

¹⁶As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and lighting on him.

¹⁷And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

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purpose : to reflect God's love in
our church, community and world

sunday 21st february 2010

today's services

10.30 am - Preparing the way - Matthew 3:1-17

6.00 pm - Living together in holiness
1 Corinthians 6:12-20

mid -week

Monday

7.30 pm: Prayer meeting

Wednesday

9.30 am: Communion

thought for the week

Prepare the way for the Lord,
make straight paths for him.

Matthew 3:3

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Sermons are downloadable from the web site.
If you would prefer to purchase a CD, see Graham
at the AV desk.

Items for the newssheet should be emailed to:
newssheet@tabспенarth.org.uk

what's : on

SUNDAY

10.30 am Pastor Roger and Simon Pedwell -
Communion will be celebrated
6.00 pm Pastor Roger and Will Roberts
Why not join us for tea/coffee after the services?
8.00 pm The House Thing

MONDAY

9.00 am Maintenance team meet
9.15 am Playgroup (Mon - Fri)
2.45 pm Women's Hour – Elizabeth Lowder
7.30 pm Prayer Meeting
7.30 pm Worship and PA team practice

TUESDAY

9.15 am Centre Prayers
2.00 pm 'Dorcas' Group.
6.00 pm JAFFA Club (school yrs reception – 2)
7.30 pm Tuesday Small Groups meet

WEDNESDAY

9.30 am Communion led by Pete Everitt followed
by coffee
7.30 pm Ladies' Choir Practice

THURSDAY

7.30 pm Thursday Small Groups meet
7.30 pm Youth meet in the Loft Sunday School
room to study Ephesians.

FRIDAY

9.00 am Maintenance team meet
9.30 am Toddlers
6.00 pm Xtreme (school yrs 3-6)
7.30 pm Beyond Xtreme (school yrs 7-9)

NEXT SUNDAY

10.30 am Pete Everitt and Helen Douglas
6.00 pm Jonathan Bugg and Gemma Humphreys

This Week

Worship and PA

Team practice this Monday (22nd) refreshments at
7.30 pm, start 7.45 pm. To pray, learn new songs
and practice together. Please make every effort to be
there.

Fairtrade stall

To celebrate Fairtrade Fortnight, there will be a
Fairtrade stall in church next Sunday. Lots of lovely
gift ideas for Mothering Sunday!

family : news

Stand Together: Many thanks to all of you who
came together on Monday evening last week to
stand in prayer alongside our brothers and sisters
who have recently asked for our prayers. Over 100
people joined us for the prayer meeting. Please try
and put time aside in 2 weeks time to come to the
next call to prayer. We continue to pray for the
following who have been on our prayer chain
recently: -

Sharon Geere awaiting kidney transplant

Christine Prangle waiting for gall bladder surgery

Ken White (Christine's father) following brain
surgery

Joy James following cancellation of her heart
surgery for last Friday.

Sarah Davies following surgery this week to remove
a tumour in her stomach

Sarah Taylor's Father, **Doug** who suffered a massive
brain haemorrhage and is in ITU

Judith William's Mother, **Rita** suffering from cancer
Helen Douglas' mother, **Ruth** recovering from cancer
surgery

Elizabeth Curl's brother **Brian** also recovering from
cancer surgery

Sian Owen's brother in Iraq who has a heart
problem

Roger Grafton who was admitted to hospital early
last week with chest pains

Marina Davey has also asked to pray for her father
who is suffering with prostate cancer and her step
mother who cares for him.

We give thanks to God for the success of **Sarah
Davies'** surgery earlier this week. The operation
went very well, and although all the test results are
not in yet, it looks like there is a good prognosis.

Please also remember these people in your prayers
and those in the fellowship who are largely confined
to their homes or continue to be in need of prayer
and those who lovingly care for them. We remember
especially **Marion Jones, Cynthia Price, Ron
Soper, Sylvia Sadler, Denis Parry and Earl
Angove**

Preaching Engagements:

John Weaver is at Ely Cytûn on Wednesday
Julian Haines is at Sully C F am

Congratulations

To **Peter Firth and Laura Coates** who were married
yesterday (20th) at Gateway Church, Swindon.

Cytûn Lent Groups

These commence this week. If you have not been
advised of your group, see the schedule on the
notice board at the top of the stairs.

Small Groups - For our own small groups who have
finished the series "The Image of God" there is some
Lent material from Traidcraft available from Roger
Grafton

Help Wanted

International exchange Host families required for a
group of Austrian teenagers aged 14-18, from 10-20
March. They will be in groups of 2 and contribution of
£250 paid for bed, breakfast and evening meal. Also
a local Swiss family are looking for an aupair for 6
months from the summer. If you can be involved,
speak to Naomi Roberts. 2070 9168.

Crèche - We **still** require 4 more people to head up
crèche teams during Sunday services. We also
require more volunteers to assist the team leaders
about once every 8 weeks. Can you help? Speak to
Gemma or Tim Hollinshead.

Jucos - 1 or 2 Leaders are needed urgently to help
with the Sunday school group. If you are interested
in volunteering for this exciting and challenging
opportunity please speak to Tim Hollinshead, Sarah
Cole or the Church Office for further details. The
Jucos group is for children aged 9-11 (school years 5
& 6) and currently has around 7 children each week.

Lifts - Volunteers needed to provide transport on an
occasional basis for senior members to go to
hospital appointments, meetings and just to go out
shopping. If you can help, please speak to Jayne
Neadley or Gemma Humphreys.