

Malborough Baptist Church

Sunday service at 10.30am, Minister: Rev Tim Skillman, Tel: 01548 560168 Website: www.malboroughbaptist.co.uk

At our recent AGM we reviewed church progress and discussed ideas for the future. Thanks to the generosity of members, we now have a fully equipped kitchen as part of the fellowship room. This is enabling our monthly cooked lunches to be more easily prepared and we are very pleased that these occasions continue to be well attended. We are also delighted that the village History group have chosen the chapel as their regular venue.

The Lenten studies leading up to Easter were once again well attended with equal numbers from both churches taking part, concluding with a shared Good Friday service at the parish church. Both congregations enjoy the monthly soup lunches put on by the parish church.

As part of the chapel's continuing outreach, we recently held our longplanned Art evening when well-known local artist Graham Fish brought in a display of his work and discussed the connection between his art and his faith. During the evening's refreshment period the work of local artists, members of the Parish Church Art Group, was displayed, encouraging other folk to join in and enjoy the therapy of creating something of their own.

Naturally, every group endeavour involves expenditure and accepting that God always provides for our needs we also acknowledge that we too should help to cover our costs, and for that reason we hope to repeat our Chapel table-top sale in early September. In the meantime we will be manning a table at the coming village hall fete on July 16th.

As I write, Christian Aid week is under way and we will be undertaking a door to door collection around Cumber Close and the Parish Church will be holding a coffee morning at the end of the week.

The monthly house meetings are continuing and our weekly prayer meetings will be resuming every Wednesday between 7.30 and 8 pm. Services will be as usual every Sunday at 10.30 during which classes for the children will be included. Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of each month. We extend a very warm welcome to anyone who would like to pop in and join us, and there's great coffee and biscuits at the close. For up-to-date activities, please log on to our website. DK.