

Prayers

- For church members who are unwell and/or who can no longer attend.
- For the Lunch Club and all who attend
- For Amy, Ben and their families
- For open doors/opportunities to serve/help our community
- For the ongoing violence and suffering in Yemen, Sudan, DRC and Syria
- For those who struggle with mental health
- For missionaries and how they serve and share the Gospel with others
- For the rise in fatal shootings and murders in London
- For those who have to flee their homes due to violence
- For those affected by the flash floods over the last week
- For Northern Ireland after the abortion vote
- For Alpha
- Give thanks for a great first All-Age Service
- Give thanks for the Lords provisions

Today's Service

- Bible Reading
- **Songs**
 - ❖ All for Jesus
 - ❖ All I once held dear
 - ❖ Here I am to worship
 - ❖ Blessed assurance
 - ❖ Everlasting God – (new)

In our series – The GOD I never knew – in our second instalment we are going to be looking at the God of JOY

We all know the importance of renewing the things in our lives that need to be renewed. Like these things need renewing – we do too. Joy is something that needs to be renewed in us because sometimes our joy can be lost due to things out of our control or self-inflicted. But the good news is that our joy can be restored when we come to the Lord in repentance but also in trusting the Lord through the storm. God rejoices when we delight in Him – Our God is one who restores our joy and rejoices over us when we are restored in Him

“Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away. Behold, the new has come!” – 2 Corinthians 5:17

Reflection Points

1. What is your understanding of joy?
2. Do you believe that we need to be happy and everything to be going well to experience joy?
3. In what ways can you live out joy, know that how we live our lives brings God joy?
4. Is there something you need to bring to the Lord in order to be restored in Him?
5. Is there something that you are struggling with that has diminished your joy? Make a decision today to trust in Him

Notices

Sunday 10th June 2018

- Next Lunch club will be on **18th June 2018**
- Please continue to support our emergency food parcel cupboard by bringing in some things off the list in the foyer when you can
- **All-Age service – 24 June 2018 – followed by bring and share lunch**
- **Next ALPHA Session** - Sunday 17th June **6.30PM – 8PM** and runs fortnightly
- Gathering for prayer **every Sunday Morning 9.45-10.15AM**
- The Great Get Together – Ladywood at Ladywood community centre – **23 June 11AM – 3PM**
- Churches Together - Songs of Praise, **10th June, 4PM at St. Bartholomew's Edgbaston**

The church has a number of things to get involved with such as the sound desk, serving communion, leading prayer and making tea and coffee - let us know if feel able to get involved in some way

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- **Flower Rota** - 17 June – Malcolm
 - **Prayer** - 17 June – Kelly
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Prayer for the Week

You are the everlasting God
The everlasting God
You do not faint
You won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

Our God, You reign forever
Our hope, our strong deliverer

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Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
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Eternal God,

Who are the light of the minds that know you,
the joy of the hearts that love you,
and the strength of the wills that serve you;
grant us so to know you
that we may truly love you,
and so to love you
that we may fully serve you,
whom to serve is perfect freedom,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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AMEN

By: St. Augustine

