## **Encouraging Maturity**

In Holy Week this year, we joined with dozens of other Christians in Littleover and Blagreaves to mark the journey of Jesus through Holy Week to Easter Sunday. This was a really enriching experience, with most nights needing extra seating due to the numbers, as well as the opportunity to share fellowship with other Christians in our community. The Good Friday All Age Worship and walk of witness attracted some of the strongest numbers in recent years, as the desire to witness and worship with other local Christians seemed to enthuse many.

## Equipping for Ministry

Cliff College Festival is a good quality Christian conference, just an hour up the road in the heart of the Peak District. Check out http://www.cliffcollege.ac.uk/festival-2017 for more info. Running from Friday 26th - Monday 29th May, it offers good quality teaching and worship on our doorstep. If getting there is too much trouble, via the website you can see details of how some of the sessions are being live-streamed via the internet. For more information, have a chat with Julian Pratt.

## **Enabling Mission**

We've had some brilliant feedback following our Space Academy Holiday Club during Holy Week, with children and helpers both enjoying their time together and learning more of the story of Daniel and God's faithfulness to him. We are especially thrilled to see how our Inclusion Ministry is helping children with additional needs to access groups like these, providing them with a safe space to explore faith, have fun and discover more of what it means to live like Jesus. It's great to be able to reach out with God's hope and love in this amazing way!



May 2017

2nd - Prayer Meeting 7:45pm

3rd - Small Group Leaders Training (Session 2) - 7:30pm

6th - Messy Church - 10am

7th - Morning Worship led by Mike Williams Preacher Rev Gareth Higgs (includes Communion) 10:30am, Encounter Perspectives on Gender led by Dave Green 6pm

14th - Early Morning Communion, led by Rev Gareth Higgs, 8:30am, Parade led by Rob Collinson 10:30am, Encounter led by Owen Collinson Preacher Rv Gareth Higgs 6pm 21st - Morning Worship led by Rev Gareth Higgs (including thanksgiving for Eliza Horne) 10:30am, Encounter led by Tim Green 8pm

23rd - Finance Task Group - 7:30pm

26th - 29th Cliff Festival

28th - Morning Worship led by Mairi Radcliffe Preacher John McCartney 10:30am, Encounter Prayer Evening 6pm

June 2017

3rd - Messy Church 10am

4th - Morning Worship led by Rev Gareth Higgs Preacher Rev John McGinley (including Communion) 10:30am, City-wide Prayer evening, Riverside, 6:30pm

6th - Church Prayer Meeting - 7:45pm

11th - Morning Worship led by Rev Gareth Higgs (includes the baptism of Micah Green), Perspectives on Suffering led by Dave Green, 6pm

12th - Bible Month Preachers and Small Group Leaders Meeting - 7:30pm

14th - Small Group Leaders Meeting - 7:30pm

18th - Morning Worship Preacher Rev Jenny Dyer 10:30am, Encounter Preacher Rev Gareth Higgs 6pm

19th - Church Council - 7:30pm

25th - Morning Worship led by Rev Gareth Higgs Preacher Lianne Green 10:30am, Encounter Preacher Heather Newstead