



*Sunday 12th November*

*"For I am not ashamed of the Gospel, for it is the power of God to everyone who believes ..."*

*"... it is written: The righteous shall live by faith."*

*...Romans 1: 16 - 17 ESV*

### **A word from the pastor ...**

As Christians we look forward to the glory of heaven. However, influenced by our scientifically precise world, we might ask, "Where exactly is heaven?"

Scripture clearly teaches that heaven is a real place that can be seen and touched and inhabited by beings with material bodies but heaven is not limited to the normal boundaries of time and space.

In Christ's message to the Philadelphian church, He speaks of the eternal realm as *'the new Jerusalem, which comes down from my God out of heaven'* (Revelation 3:12). In the closing chapters of Scripture, the apostle John speaks of *'the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God'* (Revelation 21:10). The New Heaven and New Earth are seen as blending together in a great kingdom that incorporates both realms. The paradise of eternity is revealed as a magnificent kingdom where both heaven and earth unite in a glory that surpasses the limits of human imagination and the boundaries of earthly dimensions.

So heaven is not confined to one locality marked off by boundaries that can be seen or measured. It transcends the confines of time-space dimensions. Perhaps that is part of what Scripture means when it states that God inhabits eternity (Isaiah 57:15). His dwelling-place, heaven, is not subject to the normal limitations of finite dimensions. We should not speculate about how this can be. It is sufficient to understand that this is how Scripture describes heaven.

We who know Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour can look forward to a day when, because we are covered by Christ's righteousness, we can enter that glorious and unimaginable eternal dwelling place of our great God. O what unsurpassable joys lie ahead for those who are in Christ!

# What's on this week

## Sunday 12th November.

### Welcome to Hailsham Free Church.

**A special welcome if you are visiting for the first time today.**

**Prayer** – We meet in the church office every Sunday before each service, at 10:25 in the morning and 6:15 in the evening. Anyone is welcome to join us.

### Morning Service **10:45am**

Luke Field is leading the service and Mark Field will be preaching.

### Evening Service **6:30pm**

David Field is leading the service and David Fortune (CPR) will be preaching.

**Crèche:** If you have young children, then please make use of our crèche room, where the service will be relayed.

**Young people:** We have a children's group that runs during the service.

### Primary & Junior:

From age 3 - school year 6.

*Theme verse 2017*

**For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes.**

## Home Fellowship Groups.

### Monday

Prayer Meeting	9.30am
Elders Meeting	10.45am
Christars	7:00pm

### Tuesday

Adventurers.	6:15pm
Men's Prayer Meeting.	7:30pm

### Wednesday

Mums & Toddlers.	10:00am
Followers.	6:00pm

### Thursday

Faith in Action	2-4pm
Elders & Deacons	7:30pm

### Friday

### Saturday

## Sunday next week. DV

**Morning Service.** **10:45am**  
Pastor Tim will be leading the service and will be preaching.

**Evening Service.** **6:30pm**  
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**All our services are recorded on CD.** To get a copy please speak to someone on the sound desk at the back of the church; alternatively you can find them on the church website; [www.hailshamfreechurch.org](http://www.hailshamfreechurch.org)

# Be Involved

## *Information ...*

### **Admin.**

Items for inclusion in the news sheet and/or prayer listing must be received by Thursday midday at the latest. The office is not manned on a Friday.

### **Crafternoon.**

Donations of ribbon required for the next meeting in November, speak to Priscilla if you have any questions.

### **An Evening with Noel & Tricia Richards.**

A concert featuring songs and conversations about love, life, friendship and faith. Venue, The Civic Centre, Uckfield. Saturday 25th November, Doors open 7:30pm for 8:00pm. Tickets purchased in advance £6 on the door £8.

Further details can be found in the foyer,  
Email: uckfieldconcert@noelandtricia.com

### **Hailsham Free Church Christmas card 2017**

Rather than sending lots of individual cards to each other, we aim to produce a Church Christmas card, where we can share greetings and blessings with the rest of the fellowship. Box and leaflet at the back of the church.

### **Hailsham Baptist Church.**

Mission weekend Saturday 25th November @ 3pm. Presentations by Phil & Lydia Evans (Penzance Baptist Church) & Daryl & Julia Jones (Mission Director GBM). Further details on the noticeboard. All are warmly welcomed.

## **Christian Concern.**

Christian Concern seek to speak of Jesus Christ in public life -- especially in the arenas of politics, law and the media -- and also on issues related to gospel freedoms, family and God's precious gift of life.

Through the Christian Legal Centre they give support to those facing challenges in their workplaces, or in community life, as a result of their Christian faith.

**Offerings** - We don't take up an offering during the services, but we have two offering boxes at the entrance to the church, so that you can give as you are led by the Lord. We would like to encourage you to give to His work, as He directs you. If you pay tax, then **Gift Aiding increases the amount you give by 25%.**

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