

ABINGTON AVENUE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday 18 February 2024 -Welcome to today's service which is led by one of our area ministers, Revd Jane Wade. Vaughan Griffiths is leading at Creaton URC.

Verse for the week: For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit. [1 Peter 3 v.18]

What's On: week beginning 19 February 2024

Monday 19 Feb	-	-
Tuesday 20 Feb	9:00-9:30 9:30-11:30	Prayer Group (Chapel) Badminton (Upper Hall)
Wednesday 21 Feb	9:30 -11:30	Jolly Tots (Upper Hall)
Thursday 22 Feb	9:30 - 11:30	Prayer & Bible Study (Conference Room)
Friday 23 Feb	10:00-13:30 12:00-14:00	Welcome Space Friday Lunch
Saturday 24 Feb	10:00-13:30	Child Contact Centre
Sunday 25 Feb	10:30-12:00	Morning Worship

For further details of our events please see website aaurc.co.uk
or contact the Church Office: office.aaurc@gmail.com Phone: 01604 604623

The church Office hours are Monday - Friday 9.30-12.30

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If you would like the church to pray for a concern you have, please speak to the Minister or member of the leadership team.

Some suggestions for your prayers this week:

19/2	Consider Christ dying for your sins. Praise Him for His blessing in your life.
20/2	Pray for those in the congregation at AAURC who need a blessing from God today
21/2	Pray for those who carry the burden of bringing much needed aid to the war-torn areas of the world
22/2	Pray for those you know who are weary and despondent, for whom life recently has been a series of blows; that God will draw close to them at this time with His provision for their deepest need.
23/2	Pray for our politicians and political parties; for an emphasis in their policies towards the poor and neglected in society
24/2	Pray for Revd Jane Wade, Revd Liz Adams and Revd Jay Phelps, our area ministers
25/2	Pray for a Spirit-led renewal in the life of the churches locally around us and within the group of URC churches of which we are now part

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This is the first Sunday of the season of Lent:

Each week during our services leading up to Easter (during Lent) we will be looking at the words of Jesus from the Cross.

We come to the first of Jesus' words from the cross: "Father, forgive them for they do not know what they are doing"

Questions to reflect on:

- What do we find hard to forgive?
- Wher ehas our hurting caused us to lash out?
- Is there someone we eed to reach out to?
- How can we help ourselves to see beyond hurt and pain, still noticing goodness and beauty?

Coming events:

Evening Worship

Sunday 25th February 2024 7-8pm : A simple time of Praise, Worship, Sharing and Prayer.

Good Friday walk of witness

From St. Alban's (10:15) to Church in the Park (11:50) followed by a short service.

