



# Oakham

## BAPTIST CHURCH

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Hello again,

How are you doing? How are you feeling now that lockdown is starting to ease a bit and we're beginning to be able to do more? Are you desperate to get out or are you feeling nervous about being back "out there"?

We've heard from the government that churches will be able to open for **private** prayer from this weekend and you'll be wondering how that affects us. We are not the kind of church that is normally open for people to come in to pray on their own. And it is quite clear from the guidance that this does not yet allow any kind of meetings to be held in church for any size of group. So, the Trustees have taken the decision not to open for private prayer and to keep the church building closed for the time being.

This week, our service is being led by Jenny Toerien and her Life group and Graham Dunn is bringing us a message on faith and healing in our series from Luke's Gospel. Just click on the link below.

<https://youtu.be/-FQsEUkDCX4>

As usual, Rhoda has prepared services for each of the children's and young people's groups which you can find on our YouTube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuxgARly413TNTpGOPPzYyA>

And there are some worksheets and posters for each of the groups as well.

[Youth Service - 14 June - Connect and Encounter.pdf](#)

[Childrens Service - 14 June - Discover and Explore.pdf](#)

[Childrens Service - 14 June - Adventure.pdf](#)

For **Church members**, we would like to confirm that the Church profile, prepared by the leadership, has been approved by the membership, and is now LIVE on the Baptist Union settlement system for potential candidates to request if they wish to apply for the post of Minister to Oakham Baptist church. From this point on, the leadership may be receiving notification of Ministers wishing to apply. The leadership will conduct informal interviews on Zoom and possibly ask suitable applicants to preach an online message for the church. We would have to restrict access to the recording of this message to members as confidentiality will be very important. We will

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probably not be able to proceed any further in the application process until we are able to meet the prospective Minister, as a church, in person and get to know something about them and form an opinion after a "preach with a view".

But, however the application process is carried out, please pray that God will direct the right person to apply and that we, as a leadership, would be able to discern who is the right Minister for us.

As usual, please contact me on [secretary@oakhambaptist.org.uk](mailto:secretary@oakhambaptist.org.uk) if you have any comments, questions or feedback on anything in this email or any other church matter.

Every blessing

Julie