



Sunday 18th of February

Welcome: What is your favourite Sandwich?

Select what order you choose to do the worship and word section.

Worship: see notes below – best done after word section

Word: John 6

Q: How is Jesus unlike the Manna in the wilderness?

Q: How was the Israelite's need for manna and response to God providing it similar to our need for and response to Jesus today? In what ways are they different?

Q: Given the context of this story, what do you think Jesus meant when he said "I am the bread of life?"

Q: In what ways would doing the will of the one who sends us be satisfying and fulfilling in our lives today? (John 6:38/ John 17:18)

Q: What are some of the things/attitudes in your life that make it difficult to fully depend on Jesus to meet all of your needs?

Q So many people in our world today fail to grasp the greatness of Jesus, both who he is and what he offers. How can we demonstrate through our lives (not just our words) that He is our bread of life?

PRAYER:

Please see prayer notes below. There are many folks in our church in need of prayer, as noted each week on the church news. This week though we feel led in particular to pray for the five-people noted below. They know they are being prayed and they or a family member have sent in specific prayer requests.

WORSHIP

This is a time for personal reflection.

Resources needed: Bread, remember if needed to have a gluten free option.

“I am the Bread of Life”

Having satisfied the physical hunger of over five thousand people with five loaves of bread and two fishes, Jesus said: “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.” (John 6:35)

Jesus alone offers us deep and real satisfaction. Think about your current priorities in life.

What are the things that are most important to you?

Where do you spend most of your time / your money?

What do your priorities show you about how you are looking to satisfy your deepest needs?

Ask Jesus to increase your hunger and thirst for him so that you too can pray like the Psalmist, “As the deer pants for streams of water so my soul pants for you, my God.” (Psalm 42:1)

Take a piece of bread and as you eat it, thank Jesus that He alone can satisfy the deepest longing in your heart for life in all its fullness.

Prayer Points

David Cairns

Pray for healing to wound and patience for that healing.

Dannie Calder

Dannie had an MRI scan which will indicate how successful the courses of radiotherapy and chemotherapy have been. Probably not get the results until the end of the month at his next clinic appointment. The plan is that he will be having 5 days of oral chemotherapy per month for a total of 6 months, so long as the blood levels stay stable. He has had the first month which seems to have gone ok.

It's been a time of uncertainty.

Pray for Margaret too as she deals with all the added responsibilities not least being that she now has to do all the driving when we are out and about together.

Joy Creighton

Joy is due to get the results of tests on 26th February – please pray for her as she goes to Monklads to receive the results and that they know what treatment she is to get and the way ahead.

Ruby Gunn

Ruby has had her line fitted for administering the treatment, and has started chemo which will be ongoing over the next 4 weeks. Please pray for a good response to this for a full recovery as well as God's peace on them all.

They have been overwhelmed by the love and prayers from so many people.

There is also one other particular point specific to Ruby at the moment.

She had previously been diagnosed with parvovirus and we don't have clarity on whether this has cleared up. This means that she needs to be contained to her room to avoid putting other kids in the ward at risk of infection. This could make the next 4 weeks even more frustrating, as she can't even use the playroom when she is feeling up to it. Please pray that the doctors can confirm this virus is cleared up soon, to make things a little easier.

Molly Webster

Please thank God for her recent recovery and for protection of her new shunt & that it keeps working well.

Please also pray for guidance for Craig, Julie and her medical team to make good decisions for her.

