

Dear God, I pray that you will bless me and my church. Send people into our fellowship,
and protect us all. In Jesus' name. Amen

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Pictures of the Church
(Week Two)
'A Temple'
1 Peter 2:4-10



Good morning & welcome to worship...

This morning we continue our series looking at 'Pictures of the Church', where we are examining different images found in the Bible to describe how the Church should look, and grow. Last week we considered how the Church is to be a light: a community which lives distinctively in the world, drawing other people to Christ and shining despite darkness. This week, we're turning to the book of 1 Peter, where we see the image of a temple used built using 'living stones'

There's a lot of imagery in today's Bible reading and it carries deep meaning. For its first-century audience, it challenged how they understood worship and how they understood what it means to be people of God. Perhaps it will give the same challenge to us too as we consider how we are being built, not with stones but with our lives, into the temple; the dwelling place of God and the place where he is worshipped.

God bless

Berri



The gift of flowers greatly enhances our worship environment. This week we thank Carol.

Prayers

Please remember all those of our corps who have health and/or other issues to contend with, including the family of **Ena Huntington** who has to decide whether to have a 2nd hip operation or a knee operation; **Carol Dowsett** who may have to have a throat operation; **Pauline Ashley** who is still in hospital in Canterbury waiting for a decision to be made about her future.

Please remember in prayer **Harrison, Emilie, Wendy, Wesley & Callum** as they take part in the welcome of the new cadets to the training college, with the Divisional Youth Band.

This Week

Parent & Toddlers 9.30am Monday & Tuesday

Tuesday – Band practice 7.15pm

Wednesday - CAMEO Club

Alpha Course at 7:00pm (See below!)

Friday- Youth Group is on at 6pm

Saturday – Household Troops Band at Ramsgate at 7pm & 1.30pm on Sunday.

YP Workers meeting/training day at the Training College.

'Trek to Transform- Over Land, Sea and Sky!'

In October Marilyn Simpson & Lilian Cardy will be trekking through the water & sky respectively.

Please consider sponsoring these events either in person or doing so online

at www.justgiving.com/TrekToTransform

Alpha Course

If you would like to be part of the Alpha Course it's not too late to join in, just sign up this morning with Alyson..perhaps even consider inviting a friend, neighbour, family member or complete stranger (the worst that can happen is that they'll say no!)

If you're already signed up and have dietary requirements then please let Alyson know. Each evening starts with arrival at 7 and a home cooked meal at 7:10 and we should be finished by 9 at the latest.