

Sermon on the Mount

To follow Jesus is to be different to the culture around us. Christians are part of a counter-culture that tells and lives a better story.

Across all our lives in

Christianity community, in our workplaces, homes neighbourhoods we are called to live under the divine rule of the kingdom of God. As we continue our theme of being wholehearted people we dig deep into Jesus' mountain message. "The Sermon on the Mount is the most complete description anywhere in the New Testament of the Christian counterculture" (John Stott).



The Promise Fulfilled

Waiting, hoping, longing are experiences common to all of us. At the start of Luke's gospel, we are introduced to people who are

longing for God to act decisively in history. Over these few weeks of advent, we'll walk with Luke through the familiar events of Christmas considering together how God works in and through the lives of individuals to fulfil His purpose. We'll see how God's fulfilment of His promises brings hope to others. Who hasn't wanted to encounter a new beginning, find some good news, see God show up. We'll ask how we can be part of God's work

Christmas is a wonderful time to share with friends and colleagues the good news of Jesus' birth. Our Christmas events give opportunity to



do this in various ways. Please pray and invite.

8th Dec The Reconnect Women's Group will host a

Christmas Craft and Reflection event

14th Dec Our Young Families Team host a **Christmas party**. **15th Dec** is our main **Carol Service** where we'll have a mix of carols old and new, along with a clear presentation of the good news of Christmas

22nd Dec will see the auditorium full of shepherds and angels for our **All Together Carol Service**.



TEACHING PROGRAMMEAUTUMN 2024

To keep up to date with any changes regarding online and in-person gatherings please read Focus and visit the Belmont website regularly.



"Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house upon the rock."

Jesus in Matthew 7 v 24



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Rebuilding with God

The book of Nehemiah, part two of the Ezra-Nehemiah Chronicle, explores how the covenant People of God responded to challenges and



successes as they sought to worship God on their return from exile. We witness God's people facing external pressures and internal temptations and see if they remained faithful to their covenant promises. We too are called to be the people of God here in Exeter, Nehemiah points us towards God's priorities to fulfil this mission.

Approaching Advent

Advent is a time when we prepare for Christmas, recalling how Christ came to dwell with us. It is also a time when we continue to practice hope as we look to



the promised return of Jesus to renew all things. The Old Testament prophets often described this as the 'Day of the Lord'. In this short Christmas series, we'll look through the words of Isaiah and see what it is we are looking forwards to. When we see how God's promises are fulfilled in the past, this helps us to live with hope as we look to Jesus' return.

Links to the **Sunday Morning Service** and other Belmont activities can be found on the website at www.belmontexeter.church

Look out for more details in Focus and on

MyChurchSuite to connect with other events going on during the week.

You can catch up with our morning talks on our YouTube channel <u>youtube.com/belmontexeter</u> or if you'd prefer audio only then morning and evening talks are available on our website at belmontexeter.church/talks

For **Young Families** please check out this <u>Facebook page</u>. For **Youth** please check out this <u>Instagram page</u>.

If you would like to be connected with a Home Group then please contact us via office@belmontexeter.church. All these links are available through MyChurchSuite for those with access.

Autumn 2024	Morning Worship		Evening Worship	
Date	10:00am - Auditorium livestream available online		7:00pm - Auditorium	
1 st Sept AM Communion	Stand up God is powerful	Daniel 6 All Together	Rebuilding with God A broken community	Nehemiah 1:1—11 Simon Richards
8 th September AM Communion	Jesus' Mountain Message Those who are blessed	Matthew 5:1—12 Paul Cooke	Education Sunday	One for Exeter
15 th September PM Communion	Jesus' Mountain Message Stand out	Matthew 5:13 – 16 Jonny Baker	Rebuilding with God A clear vision	Nehemiah 2:1—20 Samuel Eastlund
22 nd September AM Communion	Jesus' Mountain Message Jesus and the Law	Matthew 5:17 – 20 Steve Moody	Rebuilding with God Everyone together	Nehemiah 3:1 – 32 Simon Sweeney
29 th September PM Communion	Jesus' Mountain Message Jesus on anger	Matthew 5:21 – 26 Paul Cooke	Rebuilding with God Facing opposition	Nehemiah 4:1 – 23 Saz Flint
6 th October PM Communion	Jesus' Mountain Message Jesus on lust	Matthew 5:27 – 32 Jonny Baker	Rebuilding with God Justice for all	Nehemiah 5:1 – 19 Steve Moody
13 th October AM Communion	Jesus' Mountain Message Jesus on neighbours	Matthew 5:33 – 48 Steve Moody	Prayer and Praise	
20 th October PM Communion	Jesus' Mountain Message Jesus on religion	Matthew 6:1 – 18 Steve Moody	Rebuilding with God People of integrity	Nehemiah 6 – 7 Lucy Herring
27 th October	Jesus' Mountain Message Jesus on priorities	Matthew 6:19 – 7:12 Paul Cooke	Rebuilding with God Listen together to God's word	Nehemiah 8:1 – 18 d Andrew Trezise
3 rd November AM Communion	Jesus' Mountain Message The choice and the challenge	Matthew 7:13—29 Steve Moody	3 Billion Reasons wit	A mission tour h Operation Mobilisation
10 th November PM Communion	Jesus' Mountain Message When Jesus had finished speaking	Matthew 5—7 Jonny Baker	Rebuilding with God God's story is our story	Nehemiah 9:1—37 Lucy Herring
17 th November PM Communion	Baptism	Gemma Cain	Rebuilding with God Community commitment	Nehemiah 9:38 – 12:43 Simon Richards
24 th November AM Communion	The Promise Fulfilled A surprising visit	Luke 1:1—25 Simon Richards	Rebuilding with God Confronting complacency	Nehemiah 12:44 – 13:31 Richard Judd
1 st December PM Communion	The Promise Fulfilled Nothing is impossible	Luke 1:26—45 Lizzie Playford	Approaching Advent Justice among the nations	Isaiah 2:1—5 Adrian Rushworth
8 th December AM Communion	The Promise Fulfilled The humble lifted up	Luke 1:46—56 Alex Yates	Approaching Advent Wisdom brings peace	Isaiah 11:1—10 Saz Flint
15 th December AM Communion	The Promise Fulfilled Finding our voice	Luke 1:57—80 Gemma Cain	Carol Service Steve Moody	
22 nd December PM Communion	The Promise fulfilled A Saviour is born	Luke 2:1 – 20 All Together Carols	Approaching Advent Christmas Reflection	Isaiah 35:1—10
25th December	Christmas Morning Celebration			
29 th December AM Communion	The Promise Fulfilled More to come	Luke 2:21—40 All Together	No Service	



Got questions about Christianity? We'd love to talk them over together. Alpha starts on Tues 1st Oct, 7:15



Follow Jesus in baptism. Come along on Tues 8th Oct, 7.30 to find out more



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