

ST PETER'S METHODIST CHURCH

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Notice Sheet for Sunday 14 May 2017 Gospel Reading: John 14:1-14

We are delighted to welcome everyone to St Peter's, especially students and people visiting Canterbury. If this is your first visit, please introduce yourself to one of the Stewards or the Minister and sign the Visitors' Book on the table in the Church Vestibule. If you are new to the Church or have recently moved into the area, and would like more details about what we offer, please speak to one of the Stewards.

- 10.00 am** Service at *Little Haxted*, Stelling Road, Old Wives Lees, to include Holy Communion, led by Revd Geoff Boxer
- 10.30 am** **Morning Worship & Junior Church**
The Service will be led by Deacon Joy Everingham and the Student Group.
Church Stewards: Helen Brown & Judy Eldridge
- 6.00 pm** **Christian Aid Week Service at St. Mildred's Church.** Preacher: Domenica Pecoraro, Kent Refugee Project Officer for the Diocese of Canterbury

Speak to the Stewards if you need a large print copy of the Hymn Book or Bible. There is a Hearing Aid Loop System in the Church. Users should switch to the "T" position.

Minister – The Revd Geoff Boxer

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Room Bookings (including the hall and church) contact Roy Irons (07740 541252 or rhbirons@talktalk.net)

Notices for 8 - 14 May 2017

- Tuesday 16** **7.30 Pastoral Committee.** Please note change of date
- Wednesday 17** **10.00 am Service of Holy Communion in the Church** led by
Revd Fred Collinson
10.30 – 12 noon Wednesday Morning Coffee will be served in
the Foyer.
7.45 pm Contemporary Theology Group. Speaker – Ilan
Pappé – Jewish Historian, Professor of Social Sciences and
International Studies at the University Exeter, Author of
(among others) *The Ethnic cleansing of Palestine*. (In this the
centenary of the Balfour Declaration, and the 50th anniversary
of the occupation of the Palestinian Territories) *The
Palestinian 1948 Catastrophe and its Relevance Today*.
- Thursday 18** **8.00 pm Ichthus Student Fellowship** meets in the Upper Room
- Friday 19** **9.00 – 10.30 am Friday Coffee/Drop-in** for toddlers and their
parents/carers.
- Saturday 20** **7.30 pm Music at St Peter's Concert** featuring the London
Bridge Trio. Tamsin Waley-Cohen, Violin, Kate Gould, Cello,
Daniel Tong, Piano. Music by Robert & Clara Schumann and
Mendelssohn. Tickets £15 available at the door (students half
price).
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Sunday 21 May 2017

- 10.00 am** **Service at Old Wives** Lees led by Mr Graham Gibbens
- 10.30 am** **Morning Worship & Junior Church**
The Service will be led by Revd John Bown
Church Stewards: Judy Eldridge & Jemima Wade
Lesson Readers: Tony Eldridge & John Wilkins

Homemade Soup, Bread and Cheese Lunch for Christian Aid in the church hall.

We shall serve lunch after the morning service from about 12 noon and invite as many of you as possible to join us to support Christian Aid's vital work and to enjoy one another's company at the same time. No need to book. Please invite your friends too

For Our Prayers

Thought for the Week

If worship is just one thing we do, everything becomes mundane. If worship is the one thing we do, everything takes on eternal significance.

Timothy J. Christenson

Prayer for Christian aid Week

Lord, red envelopes will be put through our letterboxes.
And we shall deliver others like it through other doors in this Christian Aid Week.
As have hundreds of others in churches and faith communities all over the land.
It seems such a small thing,
in the face of such global hunger, poverty and injustice.

Thank you for these red envelopes, for all those who deliver and collect them,
for all those many more, of all faiths and none, who give through them.
And we pray that as a result someone somewhere will be able
to buy a mosquito net, or rebuild a house,
or send their daughter to school, or dig a well,
or sow seeds and in due course
reap a harvest – a harvest of hope.

Let your blessing, change-making God,
be upon the work of Christian Aid and all agencies
and people of good will everywhere
who seek your Shalom and pursue it.

We pray for all who are unwell or may be unable to get to church, especially **Hazel Burgess, Joan Charlesworth, Win Kentish, Enid Lazell, Pam Lees, Barbara Martin** (Connors House), **Jill Myers, Joy Webster** who is in hospital following a fall, **Graham & Joyce Whistance** and **Gladys & John Wilkinson** and their son **Philip**.

Nine Days of Prayer between Ascension and Pentecost

The Canterbury Diocese have produced a booklet of “pocket prayers” and invited us to join with them between 26 May and 3 June. The models of prayer for the Nine Days are the apostles, staying in Jerusalem after the Ascension, waiting for the Holy Spirit that comes at Pentecost. The pocket prayers this year feature paintings from Canterbury based, Christian Illustrator, Caleb Simmons, and prayers on the theme of *“Conversations in the In-Between”* A few copies are available on the table in the Vestibule. Please help yourselves.

We are in urgent need for people to help with the house to house collection for Christian Aid Week starting May 15th (tomorrow).

This year twelve of our regular collectors are unable to continue.
Please can you help us support this vital work?
Contact Monica Walling 01227 787564.

Copies of the latest edition of St Peter's Methodist Primary School Newsletter are available on the table in the Vestibule. Please help yourselves

Looking Ahead

May

Tuesday 23 1.00 pm Kent College's Cantabile Choir (for 11-14-year-olds) will be presenting a short recital of Baroque Music at the church. The musical focus will be the beautiful ***Stabat Mater*** by **Pergolesi**, supported by instrumental performances in a similar style. Please do join us for this event if you can. No tickets, just a charitable retiring collection.

Saturday 27 2.00 pm Memorial Service for Daniel Richardson at the Methodist Church, Lewisham Road, River, Dover, CT17 0PP. The service will be led by the Revd Miriam Moul. There will be light refreshments to follow, and then (for those who may wish to come), Dan's ashes will be scattered on top of the White Cliffs of Dover, overlooking the English Channel towards The Netherlands.

Saturday 27 - Flower Festival at St Michael's Church, Harbledown, Monday 29 CT2 8NW. Theme: *Remember This?* Stalls in church Hall and Refreshments available.



Please note that the Notice Sheet produced on 4 June will be for two Sundays, 4 & 11 June. Could I please have information for those two Sundays and also the 18 June if possible, by 6.00 pm on Tuesday 30 May. Thanks, Jenny

Items for the next notice sheet should be with me by 10.00 pm on Wednesday. Jenny Devenish, email jenny.deven@btinternet.com