

ST PETER'S METHODIST CHURCH

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Notice Sheet for Harvest Festival – Sunday 24 September 2017

Reading: Matthew 20:1-16

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.

10.30 am United Service in Old Wives Lees Village Hall .

10.30 am All-age Harvest Festival Celebration We are delighted to again be able to welcome the Scout Group who have joined us for the Celebration.

The Service will be led by Revd Geoff Boxer

Church Stewards: Helen Brown, Ben Alcock, Megan Wells & Jemima Wade

Lesson Readers: Members of the Scout Group

Harvest Gifts will be for Catching Lives and the Women's Refuge.

Speak to the Stewards for detail of the Crèche or 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 rhibrons@talktalk.net)

Notices 25 September – 1 October 2017

- Wednesday 27** **10.00 am Service of Holy Communion in the Church** led by Revd Malcolm Peach
- 10.30 – 12 noon Wednesday Morning Coffee** will be served in the Foyer.
- 7.45 pm Luther Five Hundred 1517-2017**
The first of five talks to commemorate the origins of the reformation will be held at St Peter's. The speaker will be The Rt Revd Michael Nazir-Ali, President of OXTRAD and former Bishop of Rochester: *Jesus? How can we understand that he is the saviour of the world?*
- The talks have been organised jointly by the Diocese of Canterbury and the Canterbury and East Kent Methodist Circuit. They will be chaired by The Rt Revd Trevor Willmott, Bishop of Dover.
Brochures giving full details are available on the table in the Vestibule, please help yourselves.
- Thursday 28** **8.00 pm Ichthus Student Fellowship** meets in the Upper Room
- Friday 29** **9.00 – 10.30 am Morning Coffee/Drop-in for toddlers and their parents/carers.**
- Saturday 30** **7.00 pm in the Church, Canterbury Christian Aid Committee** will welcome 3 popular and talented local choirs, *Canterbury Vocals* (Girls' Choir, Ladies' Choir, Chamber Choir) directed by Kerry Boyle. Tickets, available from Joy Sharman on 01227 634571, £9 in advance or £10 on the door. Under 18s free. All proceeds to Christian Aid.



Sunday 1 October 2017

- 10.00 am Service at Old Wives Lees** Chapel led by Revd Helen Hollands
- 10.30 am Morning Worship & Junior Church**
The Service will include Holy Communion and be led by Revd Malcolm Peach.
Church Stewards: Megan Wells, Margaret Anderson & Jemima Wade
Lesson Readers: Sharon Adley & Audrey Bigley
Communion Servers: Jill Butler, Dawn & Wendy Irons
- 6.30 pm Harvest Songs of Praise** at Birchington Methodist Church, led by Mr Tim Setchell. Refreshments will follow.

For Our Prayers

Thought for the Week

Are you giving God what is right or what is left?

Prayer for the Week

The earth is fruitful – may we be generous.

The earth is fragile – may we be gentle.

The earth is fractured – may we be just.

Creating God

Harvest in us joy and generosity

As we together share in thanks and giving.

Christian Aid Harvest prayer.

We pray for all who are unwell or may be unable to get to church, especially Hazel Burgess, Gwilym Maltby, Enid Lazell, Pam Lees, Barbara Martin (Connors House), Jill Myers, Nina Seaman, Joy Webster, Graham & Joyce Whistance and Gladys Wilkinson.

Please will all JMA collectors bring their collection boxes to Ruth Denton for emptying.

Also this week:

Tuesday 26 10.00 – 12 noon *The Asian Face of Christ – a multifaith Perspective.* This is the topic for the next five week session of our small ecumenical group, originating from the W.E.A. and led by John Bruckin which meets **on** Tuesdays at the church. The group is welcoming and (we promise!) not daunting. If you are interested please contact Diana Bax, tel. 01227 458639.

Looking Ahead

October

Sunday 8 October - 6.30 pm City of Canterbury Chamber Choir Concert at the Church.

Mozart Requiem and other music by Stanford, Whitacre, McDowall and Edward Rhys-Harry, the new choir conductor, in the presence of the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress and to support the Lady Mayoress' Charities, Porchlight and Pilgrims' Hospices.

£10, free entry to 16 and under. Tickets on the door or to book tickets please see CCCC website:

<http://www.canterburychamberchoir.org.uk/concerts.htm>.

Please note that The Contemplative Prayer Group scheduled for 4 October will not meet but will join the Luther Five Hundred lecture here at St Peter's.

Items for the next Sunday's notice sheet should be with me by 10.00 pm on Wednesday.

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