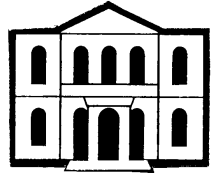


ST PETER'S METHODIST CHURCH

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Second Sunday of Lent - 25 February 2018 Gospel Reading: Mark 8:31-38

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 Service at Old Wives Lees Village Hall

10.30 am Morning Worship and Junior Church

The Service will be led by Deacon Joy Everingham

Church Stewards: Margaret Anderson & Megan Wells

Lessons will be read by the Students

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

Circuit Office: 01227 459449 E-mail: circuitsuper@btinternet.com

Room Bookings (including the hall and church)

contact Roy Irons (07740 541252 or hbirons@talktalk.net)

Notices for 26 February – 4 March 2018

- Tuesday 27** **12.30 pm Talks in Lent at St Peter's Anglican Church.**
John Shirland: *Voices from the Trenches*. A light lunch will follow at 1.15.
- Wednesday 28** **10.00 am Service of Holy Communion in the Church** led by
Revd Geoff Boxer
10.30 – 12 noon Wednesday Morning Coffee will be served in
the Foyer.
7.45 pm Bridge House Group meets: *The Upside Down Bible*
- Thursday 1
March** **8.00 pm Ichthus Student Fellowship** meets in the Upper Room
- Friday 2** **9.00 – 10.30 am Morning Coffee/Drop-in** for toddlers and their
Parents/Carers
12 noon Women's World Day of Prayer *All of God's Creation
is Very good!* Praying for Suriname – A Service for
Everyone at St Andrew's United Reformed Church, Watling
Street, Canterbury. Followed by a soup lunch (optional). All
are Welcome.
7.00 pm Finance Committee. **Would members please note
that because of another commitment the meeting has had
to be rescheduled to Friday 2 March.**
- Saturday 3** **11.00 – 4.00 pm Circuit Eisteddfod** at St John's church, Whitstable.
Competitive classes, lunch break 1 - 2.30 pm. Food will be
available all day. Handcraft entries should be at the church by
10.30 am for judging and will be available for viewing from
2.00pm.
5.00 pm Celebratory Concert. Please support the event and
enjoy the wealth of talent we have in our Circuit and beyond.
3.00 pm Ordination and Induction (Welcome) Service at The
Union Church Margate for Lisa-Maria Browning who will be joining
the Church as Outreach Worker. If you would like to attend the
service contact Andrew Ogden at andrewogden@live.com
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Third Sunday of Lent – 4 March 2018

- 10.00 am** **Service at Little Haxted, Selling Road, Old Wives Lees** led by
Miss Jean Hall
- 10.30 am** **Morning Worship** and Junior Church
The Service will include Holy Communion and be led by
Revd Geoff Boxer
Church Stewards: Helen Brown, Megan Wells & Margaret
Anderson
Lessons Readers: John & Marie Wilkins
Communion Servers: Helen Brown, Paul Merrywest & Margaret
Anderson

Ichthus is planning a Bring-and-share lunch following the morning Service on Sunday 4 March, before the Eritrean Church needs the Hall. Anyone who would like to join Ichthus for lunch is welcome to do so.

For Our Prayers

Thought for the Week

The Lord measures out perfection neither by the multitude nor the magnitude of our deeds, but by the manner in which we perform them.

St. John of the Cross

Prayer for the Week

You call us to service; to be your eyes and ears, hands and voice in this your world.

To open our eyes not only to the beauty and love which you create, but the injustice, hate and suffering that mankind generates.

To open our ears not only to the chattering of this coming week, but the searching, fears and questioning of all whom we shall meet.

To open our hands not only to those we choose our lives to share, but in welcome, love and fellowship to all who you draw near.

To open our mouths not only to speak platitudes and simple words, but the truths you lay upon our hearts.

You call us to service, to be your eyes and ears, hands and voice in this your world.

<http://www.faithandworship.com/liturgy>

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

We were sorry to hear of the death of Michael Lang on Tuesday Morning. Our thoughts and prayers are with his sons, Nigel and Robin, and their families. **The Thanksgiving Service for the life of Michael will be at St Peter's at 2.15 pm on Thursday 15 March,** following the Committal at 10.00 am at Barham, for family members only.

On Saturday, March 3rd, the Probationers Committee will meet with the two probationers in our District. Please remember both the committee and the probationers in your prayers. This is a demanding and testing day for all involved.

Looking Ahead

March

Saturday 10 10 am to 3 pm Fairtrade Fortnight Fair. Traidcraft Stall and Fairtrade refreshments, 12 noon – 2.00 pm Homemade Soup Lunches. Display of artwork by local school pupils.

Training Day in preparation for Bible Month 2018 – 30 days with Jonah.

You can find out more about Bible Month here:

<http://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/the-bible/bible-month/>

The training day on 10 March will be held at St John's Methodist church, Whitstable. It sits alongside the Bible Month Magazine and the resources available on the Methodist website, or through Methodist Publishing, and will be led by Dr Robin Baker Professor of Old Testament and Ancient Near Eastern Studies at the University of Winchester. After the morning's plenary session in which we will gain an overview and wide understanding of the Book of Jonah the afternoon will be in small workshops which will explore the book of Jonah with particular focus on either leading worship and preaching, or leading small groups. Bring your bibles and your lunch, there is no charge.

You can book here:

<https://bible-month-training-day-whitstable.eventbrite.co.uk>

During 2017 the Friday Morning Coffee/Drop-in collected £578.40 for Action For Children.



Please Note: The Lions' Blue Bin for spectacles has been relocated and is now under the table in the Vestibule, next to the Catching Lives basket.



St Peters Methodist Church is providing shelter to the homeless on Wednesdays until 28/2/2018.

Items for next Sunday's Notice Sheet should be with me by 10.00 pm on Wednesday.

Jenny Devenish, email jenny.deven@btinternet.com