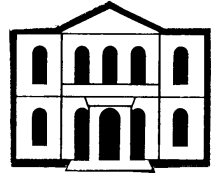


# ST PETER'S METHODIST CHURCH

St Peter's Street, Canterbury, Kent, CT1 2BE

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## **Palm Sunday – 25 March 2018** **Gospel Reading: Mark 11:1-11**

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: Jemima Wade & Margaret Anderson

Lessons Readers: Louise Anstey-Watson & Philip Wells

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*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.*

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**Minister – The Revd Geoff Boxer**

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## Notices for 20 March – 1 April 2018

- Tuesday 27**    **10.30 am Bach to Baby Concert** for Babies and their Parents/Carers. Building open from 10;00 am.
- Wednesday 28**    **10.00 am Service of Holy Communion in the Church** led by Revd John Bown.  
**10.30 – 12 noon Wednesday Morning Coffee** will be served in the Foyer.
- Maundy**  
**Thursday 29**    **7.30 pm Tenebrae Service.**  
Church Steward: Margaret Anderson
- Good Friday 30**    **9.45 am Good Friday Service** at our Church. Preacher – Revd Geoff Boxer.  
Church Steward: Margaret Anderson  
**This will be followed by Hot Cross Buns at the Salvation Army and the Walk of the Cross which will leave at 11.00 am.**  
**11.15 am Outdoor Service in Rose Square** (outside Primark)  
**12 noon & 3.15 pm Passion Play in Dane John** – live screening from Trafalgar Square
- Saturday 31**    **9.30 – 12 noon The Flower Ladies will be decorating the Church** and would be pleased to see anyone who would like to help them.
- We shall again be decorating the Cross on Easter Day and if you would like to bring your own flower you are welcome to do so.***



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## Easter Day - 1 April 2018

- 10.00 am Service at Old Wives Lees Chapel** led by Mr Michael Baybutt
- 10.30 am Morning Worship and Junior Church**  
The Service will include Holy Communion and be led by Revd Geoff Boxer  
Church Stewards: Judy Eldridge & Margaret Anderson  
Lessons Readers: Tony Eldridge & Alison Garratt  
Communion Servers: Tony Eldridge, Ruth Denton & Paul Merrywest.

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**Despite reduced numbers at the Music at St Peter's concert**, due to the weather, the audience was very generous and £100 was raised from refreshment donations for Action for Children. The running total is now £1,379.53. Many thanks to all who supported this event.

## For Our Prayers

### Thought for the Week

*It's Palm Sunday, and so begins our journey with Jesus from Jerusalem's gate, to Golgotha's cross, to Easter's triumph!*

### Prayer for the Week

O Christ, you entered the city as a poor man not in style but simply, yet still you caused uproar, and questions everywhere; you drew the expectations of a hungry crowd, and brought buried conflicts to the light.

May we, who are sometimes swayed by the crowd's approval, and who often avoid conflict for fear of its cost to us, hold fast to the gospel of peace and justice and follow faithfully in your way of compassion and solidarity with those who are poor and excluded, wherever it may lead us. **Amen.**

*Kathy Galloway, **Christian Aid** website.*

*<http://www.christianaid.org.uk/>*

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

**We thank Richard Cockell** for coming to the church every Wednesday during December, January and February to welcome *Catching Lives* as they arrived for the night. Thanks too for the volunteers who hosted the evenings by making tea/coffee and providing cake, etc.



### Fairtrade Fair – Saturday 10 March

The Traidcraft Stall sold goods to the value of £1153.64 recently. The team in the kitchen did us proud serving lunches and coffees and our total takings there amounted to £397.95. As Traidcraft Exchange's "Hidden Entrepreneurs" appeal is benefitting from UK Government Aid until 11 April, this amount will be doubled by the Government to £795.90. You can read more about "Hidden Entrepreneurs" at [www.traidcraft.org.uk](http://www.traidcraft.org.uk) Thank you to all for making the Fair such a happy and successful event. We made a great team, as always, and it was good to welcome some helpers for the first time. There seemed to be a real buzz in the hall most of the day. Thank you especially to Joy and Glen Sharman for all their hard work in organising the day.

***Could members please look in the Vestibule over the next few weeks for a letter about regular giving and Gift Aid.***

Also this week .....

**Maundy**

**Thursday 29**



**11 am-3 pm Free shoe-cleaning** in Canterbury High Street outside Barclays,. This is Christians Together in Canterbury's way of telling the story about Jesus washing his disciples' feet. More volunteers are needed between 12 and 2 pm to clean shoes, hand out leaflets or just be there to support this important way of telling this part of the Easter story. Contact [petertoon@aol.com](mailto:petertoon@aol.com) or phone 01227 451991 for further information or to sign up go to <https://doodle.com/poll/itx7nn7psyubg7x5>

**Friday 30**

**Stewards and First Aiders are needed for the Walk of The Cross, Outdoor Service and Passion Play.** If you can assist please email [contact@canterburychristianstogether.org.uk](mailto:contact@canterburychristianstogether.org.uk)

### Looking Ahead

**April**

**Saturday 7**

**12 noon Wedding of Sarah Boxer & Jonathan (Jonny) Baugh.** All are welcome to attend the Service.

It would be much appreciated if cars were not parked on the forecourt on that day because spaces will be needed for guests attending who may have mobility problems.

**10 am – 2.00 pm Car Wash at 5 Manwood Avenue, CT2 7AE.** Proceeds to assist with Sam Brown's visit to attend the World Scout Jamboree 2019 in West Virginia, USA. Come and get your car cleaned and enjoy coffee and cakes!

***Church Spring Clean. Please note that this will NOT take place On Saturday 31 March as announced recently. It has been postponed until Saturday 12 May. Please watch out for more information.***



***Please note that the Notice Sheet for next Sunday - 1 April (Easter Day), will be for two weeks – 1 and 8 April. Items for inclusion should be with me by 9.00 AM on Tuesday 27 March.***

***Jenny Devenish, email [jenny.deven@btinternet.com](mailto:jenny.deven@btinternet.com)***