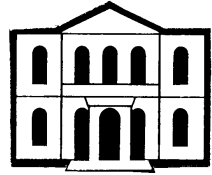


ST PETER'S METHODIST CHURCH

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Notice Sheet for Sunday 29 April 2018 Gospel Reading: John 15:1-8

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 Old Wives Lees Chapel** led by Mrs Linda Beverton
- 10.30 am** **Morning Worship and Junior Church**
The Service will be led by Rev Helen Hollands
Church Stewards: Jemima Wade & Helen Brown
Lessons Readers: Judy & Tony Eldridge
- 4.00 pm** **Easter Offering Dedication Service** at Ramsgate Hardres Street United Church

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 rhbirons@talktalk.net)

Notices for 30 April – 6 May

- Wednesday 2 May** **10.00 am Service of Holy Communion** in the Church led by Revd Malcolm Peach
 10.45 am St. Peter's Discovery Group meets in the Blue Room to discuss the final chapter of Karen Armstrong's *A Short History of Myth*.
 7.45 pm Contemplative Prayer Group meets in the Eastbridge Hospital Chapel. Building open from 7.30 pm. All Welcome.
- Thursday 3** **7.30 pm Pastoral Committee** meets at the Church
 8.00pm Ichthus Student Fellowship meets in the Upper Room
- Friday 4** **9.00 – 10.30 am Morning Coffee/Drop-in** for toddlers and their parents/carers.
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Sunday 6 May 2018

- 10.00 am** **Service at Old Wives Lees Chapel** led by Mr Graham Gibbens
- 10.30 am** **Morning Worship and Junior Church**
The Service will include Holy Communion and be led by Revd Geoff Boxer
Church Stewards: Megan Wells, Ben Alcock & Margaret Anderson
Lessons Readers: Bob Coombs & Alison Garratt
Communion Servers: Jenny Devenish, Dawn & Wendy Irons.
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The Methodist Retreat Group **Reflect** are holding a Retreat at Ladywell Convent, Godalming, Surrey from 22-24 June 2018. The weekend will be led by Gill Dascome (former Vice President of the Methodist Conference) on the theme **Jesus remember me when You come into your Kingdom**. Further details on the fliers in the Vestibule.

For Our Prayers

Thought for the Week

God loves each of us as if there were only one of us
Augustine

Prayer for the Week:

With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and testing, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and for ever. Amen.

Extract from The Lord's Prayer from The New Zealand Prayer Book

We pray for all who are unwell or may be unable to get to church, especially Francine & Meindert Aits, Hazel Burgess, Jill Butler, Jessie & Fred Collinson, Enid Lazell, Pam Lees, Barbara Martin (Connors House), Nina Seaman, Eileen Tresidder, Joy Webster, Graham & Joyce Whistance and Gladys & John Wilkinson.

Helen Davis, who is currently studying at Cliff college has recently been given a cancer diagnosis and will be having surgery on the 9 May. Please offer your prayers to Helen at this time.

District prayers for the Diaconal Convocation

The Diaconal Convocation is being held from 8 -10 May, and we ask for your prayers for the whole diaconate, and particularly for Deacons from this District.

Many thanks. Anne (Haggarty) District Prayer Co-ordinator

Christian Aid Week 13th -19th May 2018

Heather Peach has kindly offered to recruit collectors and distribute envelopes for the house-to-house collection this year. Please can you let her know if you are able to collect as you have in the past. New collectors would be very welcome, as a number of stalwarts from previous years are not as fit as they were and cannot offer to help again this year. You can contact Heather on 01227 219966.

Gift Aid, Standing Orders and Envelope Scheme.

I would like to thank everyone who has returned an updated, signed Gift Aid Form. If you have not already returned your form, please do so as soon as possible. I would also like to thank all who have returned new standing order forms, and all who have asked for envelopes. If any members of our congregation would like to give regularly to the church then please see me for the necessary paper work.

Kaye Merrywest

Looking Ahead

May

Saturday



9.00- 2.30 - Spring Cleaning.

Spring is here? Time for Spring Cleaning. Many hands make light work. All help is appreciated. You can work in teams, in families or alone. Just give an hour of your time, or stay the whole morning. Break for lunch 12 - 12.30, or thereabouts - Ploughman's Bring and Share Lunch.

There's a list of jobs on the Foyer Table. Please sign up. Donations of old polishing rags or dusters appreciated.

7.00 pm Music at St Peter's hosts the Kent Festival for Music, Speech and Drama Prize-Winners' Concert. Admission Free, Retiring Collection.

Sunday 13 The Christian Aid Lunch will follow the morning service.

6.30 pm Canterbury Christian Aid Week Service at St Dunstan's Church

Are you aware that if you are not able to attend St Peter's for a Sunday

Morning Service you can read the notice sheet on line? Visit www.canterburymethodistchurch.co.uk and you will find copies of recent notice sheets, together with other documents, including the current preaching plan, listed at the bottom right-hand side of the home page. Just click on the one you want to read.



Items for the next Sunday's News Sheet should be with my by 10.00 pm on Wednesday, Jenny Devenish, email jenny.deven@btinternet.com