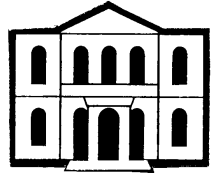


ST PETER'S METHODIST CHURCH

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Third Sunday of Lent – 4 March 2018 Gospel Reading: John 2:13-22

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, 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, Ben Alcock & Margaret Anderson
Lessons Readers: John & Marie Wilkins
Communion Servers: Helen Brown, Paul Merrywest & Margaret Anderson

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

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 rhbirons@talktalk.net)

Notices for 5 - 11 March 2018

- Tuesday 6** **12.30 pm Talks in Lent at St Peter's Anglican Church.**
Speaker: John Morrison, *Voices of the Churches*. A light lunch will follow at 1.15.
- Wednesday 7** **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.
- 10.45 am St. Peter's Discovery Group** meets in the Blue Room for discussion on last 4 chapters of A. N. Wilson's *Paul*, followed by an introduction to *Myth* by Revd Malcolm Cooper
- 7.45 pm Contemplative Prayer Group** meets in the Eastbridge Hospital Chapel. Building open from 7.30 pm. All are welcome.
- Thursday 8** **8.00 pm Ichthus Student Fellowship** meets in the Upper Room
- Friday 9** **9.00 – 10.30 am Morning Coffee/Drop-in** for toddlers and their Parents/Carers
- 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>
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Mothering Sunday – 11 March 2018

- 10.00 am** **Service at Little Haxted, Selling Road, Old Wives Lees,** to include Holy Communion, led by Revd Geoff Boxer
- 10.30 am** **Morning Worship and Junior Church**
The Service will be led by Revd Dr Paul Glass
Church Stewards: Ben Alcock & Margaret Anderson
Lessons Readers: Ruth Denton & Marie Wilkins

For Our Prayers

Thought for the We

The cross shows us the seriousness of our sin—but it also shows us the immeasurable love of God.

Rev'd Dr. Billy Graham (1918 – 2018)

Prayer for the Week:

Jesus, the first and last.

First light, first thought – Jesus, be with me;

I do not go into this day alone.

Words, tasks, challenges – Jesus guide me;

I look to you for direction, wisdom, compassion.

Doubts, tears, stumbles – Jesus uphold me;

I am weak but you are strong.

Joys, laughter, opportunities – Jesus bless me;

I am thankful for your grace.

Family, friends, neighbours – Jesus touch them;

I name each one before you.

Last light, last thought – Jesus, be with me;

I hold onto you in the long reaches of the night. Amen.

Jill Baker, Vice-President, of the British Methodist Conference

2017/2018

We pray for all who are unwell or may be unable to get to church, especially 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.

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

Looking Ahead

March

Monday 12 7.30 pm Gateway meets. George Taylor: *Music from the Theatre*

Thursday 15 2.15 pm Thanksgiving Service for the life of Michael Lang.

Friday 16 6.00 – 7.00 pm Concert: Classical to Jazz. Iain Ballamy, saxophone, David Rees Williams, piano, Ian Crowther, oboe Festival Chamber Orchestra String Ensemble. Tickets £10 from www.crowthersofcanterbury.co.uk

Saturday 17 7.30 pm Music at St Peter's Concert. Aurora Trio, Emma Halnan (flute), Jordan Sian (violin), Heather Wrighton (harp). Music by Bax, Prokofiev, Debussy, Ibert, Mathias, Piazzolla. Tickets £15 at the door, full-time students £7.

Sunday 18 6.30 pm City of Canterbury Chamber Choir - VIVALDI GLORIA and two world premieres by Edward-Rhys Harry including *When I was Hungry* dedicated to "Porchlight". Concert in support of "Porchlight" & "Pilgrim's Hospices", the Lady Mayoress's Charities. The Choir's Patron the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress are attending. Tickets £10 (children U16 free). Buy online at ticketsource.co.uk/canterburychamberchoir – or reserve by emailing tickets@canterburychamberchoir.org.uk – or phone 07843 050327

11 – 17 March Ecumenical Week of Accompanied Prayer hosted at St Stephen's Canterbury. Information available on the table in the Vestibule or at <http://www.ststephenscanterbury.net/>

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

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