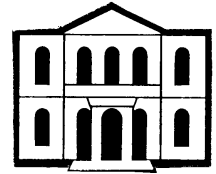


ST PETER'S METHODIST CHURCH



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St Peter's and other churches in the Canterbury & Coastal Circuit are Fair Trade Churches.

Looking Ahead

- February**
- Monday 13** 7.30 pm **Gateway** meets . Speaker – Revd John Bown: *A Monastic Experience*.*
- Wednesday 15** 7.45 pm **Contemporary Theology Group**. Speaker – Rt Revd Richard Llewellyn, formerly Bishop of Dover: *Israel and Palestine: can there ever be a lasting solution?*
- Saturday 18** 7.30 pm **Music at St Peter's Concert Alessandro Taverna (Piano)**. Music by Beethoven, Debussy, Liszt, Rachmaninov & Stravinsky. Full details on poster in Foyer. Tickets available at the door.

The Big Read 2012

Over Lent, Christians across Britain and the world will be meeting together to study the Bible and grow in faith together. **The Big Read 2012** offers a variety of resources for housegroups, focusing on Tom Wright's new book, 'Lent for Everyone: Mark'. The book is available from SPCK and is accompanied by a whole host of free online resources. If you would like more information please have a word with Jenny.

1. Jesus, friend of little children
Be a friend to me;
Take my hand and ever keep me
Close to Thee
 2. Teach me now to grow in goodness
Daily as I grow;
Thou hast been a child, and surely
Thou dost know
 3. Never leave me nor forsake me,
Ever be my friend;
For I need Thee from life's dawning
To its end.
- Walter John Mathams CCL Licence No. 315031*



Please note that the sheet produced on 11 February (next week) will be for two weeks. Items for inclusion should be with me by 10.00 pm on 01227 456359, email jenny.deven@btinternet.com

Notice Sheet for Education Sunday - 5 February 2012

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:29-39

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, would you please complete one of the Welcome Cards which are available at the back of the Church - ask one of the Door or Church Stewards.

Everyone is welcome to enjoy fellowship over tea, coffee or squash after the morning service. Visitors and newcomers are especially welcome to stay.

- 10.00 am** **Service at Old Wives Lees Chapel** led by Mrs Lindsey Howe
- 10.30 am** **Worship & Junior Church**
The Service will be led by Revd Dr Paul Glass
Church Stewards: Angela Gibbens, Kaye Merrywest & Macdonald Mauchaza
Lesson Readers: John Wilkins & Helen Brown
- We are pleased to welcome Lee and Alexa Andrews to our service, with their family and friends. They have brought Verity Rose for Baptism**
- 3.00 pm** **Service in Stelling Village Hall**, including Holy Communion, led by Revd Geoff Boxer
- 6.30 pm** **Evening Worship**
The Service will include Holy Communion and be led by Revd Geoff Boxer.
Church Steward: Macdonald Mauchaza
Lesson Readers: Jill Butler & Debbie Powell

Speak to the Stewards for details of the Crèche which is available during the Morning Service and 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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For Our Prayers

Thought for the Week:

“On The importance of Prayer: You cannot climb a mountain without bending the knee”

Prayer for the Week:

In me there is darkness,
But with You there is light.
I am lonely, but You leave me not.
I am feeble in heart, but You leave me not.
I am restless, but with You there is peace.
In me there is bitterness, but with You there is patience;
Your ways are beyond my understanding, but
You know the way for me.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

We pray for all who are unwell or may be unable to get to church, especially **May Gurr, Muriel Kempthorne, Margaret Withers, Hazel Burgess, Olive Cutting, Joyce Stickels, Gladys Marsh, Pam Lees, Bob & Renee Matthews, Pam Lee Evans, Rita & Max Maxwell, June Neatham, Gordon Luck and Christine Rogers.**

Congratulations to Kent College:

We are delighted to be able to inform you that Kent College, Canterbury is the London and South East Region winner of the Church School Awards 2012.

The judges were impressed by their commitment to living on a large map via their Global School Partnership with Klerru High School, Iringa Tanzania and their involvement with the local community via the farm and music outreach programme as well as lots of other aspects of their community life.

This means that they will travel to London on 22 March to make a presentation at a gala event where they will meet the winning schools from the other four regions of the country.

Action for Children(1): Thank you to pupils and staff at Kent College who have raised the magnificent amount of £1,030 towards the Oak Tree Project, giving a total of £3,234.06 so far.

Action for Children(2): Once again it is time to open the League of Light boxes for Action for Children. Will those who have boxes please let me have them, and if there is anyone who would like a box, please let me know.

Maurice Gann.

The latest edition of Dr Marshall's Quiz is available, entitled "Bankers' Bonanza". **The closing date is 14 April. Copies are available, price £1, and if you would like one please see Joy or Glen Sharman.**

Notices for 6 - 12 February 2012

- Wednesday 8** **10.00 am Holy Communion in the Church** led by Revd John Bown
10.30-12 noon Wednesday Morning Coffee will be served in the Foyer.
- Thursday 9** **1.30 pm Pebbles Group** for toddlers and their parents/carers.
6.30 – 7.45 pm Youth Group: Film Night.
7.30 pm Property and Finance Committee meeting at the church.
8.00 pm Ichthus Student Group meets in the Upper Room
- Friday 10** **9.00 – 10.30 am Friday Coffee/Drop-in** for parents and carers.
8.00 pm Choir Practice
- Saturday 11** **2.30 – 4.00 pm Christian Aid Party** in the Hall. Film Focus on CAW 2012 followed by Tea and Home-made cakes. A warm welcome awaits you.
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Sunday - 12 February 2012

10.00 am Morning Worship in Old Wives Lees Chapel led by Mr Graham Whistance

10.30 am Worship & Junior Church

The Service will include Holy Communion and be led by Revd Geoff Boxer
Church Stewards: Macdonald Mauchaza, Will Howe ;& Sue Floyd
Lesson Readers: Myfanwy & Aislinn McDonagh
Communion Servers: Audrey Bigley, John & Gillian Butler

Next Sunday we shall be pleased to welcome Hudson and Patience Muniyira and their family and friends to our service. They will be bringing their children Tapiwa Tadiwanahe, Tanaka Alex and Anusu Max Thomas for Baptism.

6.30 pm Evening Worship

The Service will be led by Revd Helen Letley
Church Steward: Macdonald Mauchaza
Lesson Readers: Sheila & Bernard Powell

Also this week

Saturday 11 6.30 pm at Canterbury Baptist Church, St George's Place *Fireproof*
the movie **with tea, coffee and cakes!** **All donations will go towards the CFBC Refurbishment Project.**

**Not at the Church. For more information contact the Circuit Office*