

## SHRIVENHAM METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY 19th April 2015

Welcome to our Church

Our Website: [www.shrivenhammethodistchurch.co.uk](http://www.shrivenhammethodistchurch.co.uk)

Our Vision: "To be an active part of the body of God, and to spread the Good News of Christ by word and deed in the local Community at every opportunity."

### Services Sunday 19th April

10.30 am	Revd Keith Osborn
6.30 pm	Revd Keith Osborn (HC)
Steward	Robin Christian
Door	Morva White
Organ	Stella Tidmarsh
Readers	Mike Bathe/Linda Christian
Creche	Lynn Pembroke

### Prayers this week

**Circuit Church:** Purton

**Rota:** Our Minister, Circuit Superintendent, other circuit ministers, worship leaders and church leadership team

**Local Roads:** Fairthorne Way, Mortree Court, Charlbury Road, Cowleaze, Chapelwick

### Services for next Sunday 26th April

10.30 am	Pam Mullin
6.30 pm	Revd Norma Fergusson
Steward	Linda Hood
Door	Linda & Olivia Christian
Organ	Stella Tidmarsh
Readers	
Creche	Nicki Norris
Flowers	Michelle Holloway
Coffee	Michelle Holloway/Helen Taylor
Garden	Ian Brodie

### Events this Week

#### **Monday 20th**

Discipleship Course - the Manse\*

#### **Tuesday 21st**

Refreshers 8.30am in front room  
Phakamisa Day

#### **Wednesday 22nd**

Local preachers Mtg 7.30 at SMC

#### **Thursday 23rd**

Prayer meeting 7pm in front room

#### **Friday 24th**

Longcot Fellowship 1.45pm\*  
is there Hymn Practice at Stella's tonight?

#### **Saturday 25th**

Prayer breakfast 8.30 in front room  
Longcot Coffee Morning 10.15am

**Phakamisa Day** - On Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Thozozani Poswa, South Africa's Director of Phakamisa, will be visiting the Refreshers Group at the Methodist Church in the morning. Then she will be back to join us for a special evening at 6.30pm to share all the latest news from South Africa. We shall be serving refreshments in the form of "afternoon tea" so please come along and enjoy sandwiches, cakes and scones whilst listening to some amazing stories that Thokozani has to tell.

**Friday 24th April - 1.45pm** - Longcot Friday Fellowship Pam Mullin will be treating us to 'A Taste of the Caribbean' so do come and enjoy her memories of the various islands she and Frank recently visited. If you would like a lift please phone Stella (782584).

**Saturday 25th April - 10.15am** - Coffee Morning at Longcot in aid of Pam's chosen charity - Water Aid. Everyone is welcome join us for one or both events.

**AND - Calling all Bakers!!** - Stella usually does all the baking for Longcot's monthly coffee morning but having just moved, she is temporarily oven-less. She would really appreciate donations of cakes for next Saturday's event. If you can help, please let Stella know by phoning 782584 - her email isn't working yet.

Stella says a **huge thank you** for all the cards, messages and prayers as she moved house. The boxes are gradually being unpacked and a new home found for all the 'stuff' (not an easy task!). The sun shone for the move and everything went without a hitch so prayers were definitely answered. Do call in for a coffee and 'guided tour' any time you are passing.

**Also, thank you** very much to the person who has donated 2 fold-up tables to the Church. One of them is a really useful size and will be well used. However, the other is broken (one set of legs missing!) and is of no use, so could you please take it away and dispose of it.

**Our Website** - Wendy Smith is our new Webmaster - please note the new address is [.co.uk](http://www.longcot.co.uk) not [.org](http://www.longcot.org) - can you please spread the news around, although there will still be a link from the old website for a while. Wendy is currently updating it and has asked if any of you have some new photos you can send her or any other information that you feel would be good to put on. Do look at it, we need to hear your comments.

**Birthday Scheme** - just a reminder about signing up for our birthday scheme if you haven't already done so - there is a list at the back of the church for you fill in - you will then receive a birthday greeting from the church on your birthday and included in your card will be a small envelope inviting you to make a donation towards the costs of our lay-worker. This envelope can be placed in the collection plate on a Sunday. (and if you do choose to be involved, please remember to use your church number so that we can collect the gift aid as well)

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Radical Discipleship Training - 12 week course with Keith Osborn from 23 February to 18 May at the Manse

Tuesday 21st April - Phakamisa Day with Thozozani Poswa

Next Church lunch - 10th May (Christian Aid)

Mission & Discipleship Day - 16th May

### **PRAYER FOR RENEWAL**

Heavenly Father, in Jesus' name we ask for a fresh outpouring of your Holy Spirit on your church in our community. Help us to grow in our experience of your love, forgiveness and healing. Challenge our contentment to stay as we are. Renew our vision of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ, that through our words and the way we live, others may be drawn to your way. Give us the wisdom to seek your will and grant us the joy that comes from wholeheartedly following it. For your glory and the good of all your people.

Amen

Notices to Morva by next Friday morning please: [morvawhite@supanet.com](mailto:morvawhite@supanet.com)