

SHRIVENHAM METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY 20th March 2016

Welcome to our Church

Our Website: 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 20th March

10.15 am Palm Sunday parade from SMC
at 9.30 to St Andrews for Service at approx 10.15 am
6.30 pm Revd Keith Osborn**

Steward	Robin Christian
Door	Phil Bunce
Organ	
Readers	Phil Bunce
Creche	n/a
Flowers	n/a
Garden	Stella Tidmarsh

Payers this week

Circuit: Braydon

Rota: Defence Academy - staff, students, families and chaplains

Local Roads: Colton Road, Curtis Road, Martens Road, Beckett Ridge (for the workmen, and families God will move into the new homes)

Good Friday service - 9.30 am

Door	Bob Mawer
Readers	Bob Mawer/Sue Colyer
Organ	Stella Tidmarsh

Services for next Sunday 27th March

10.15 am	Easter Day service with Pam Mullin
6.30 pm	Revd Keith Osborn (HC)
Steward	Linda Hood
Door	Lynn Pembroke
Organ	Stella Tidmarsh
Readers	Lynn Pembroke/Wendy Smith
Creche	n/a (children stay in with parents)
Flowers	n/a
Garden	Janet Mawer

Events this Week

Monday 21st

Final Morning Alpha Course
Fish Group 1 meeting - DVD from Ffald-y-Brenin - at the Mawers 7.45

Tuesday 22nd

Refreshers 8.30 am

Wednesday 23rd

Songs & Stories from 8.45 am

Thursday 24th

Passover meal at Stellas 7.00

Prayer meeting 7pm in front room

Friday 25th

Good Friday service 9.30 am

Saturday 26th

Prayer breakfast 8.30 in front room

Flowers/decorating church 10.00

PASSOVER MEAL - Thursday 24th March (Maundy Thursday) 7.00pm at Stella's. If anyone would like to join members of FISH Group 2 for a Christian version of the Celebration of Passover you will be most welcome - just let Stella know by Wednesday 23rd please.

Easter Flowers - we will be decorating the church for Easter on Saturday 26th March at 10.00 am. Help and/or contributions towards the flowers will be greatly appreciated.

** Keith has a special service planned for Sunday evening (the start of Holy Week) along the lines of 9 lessons and carols, but it will be 6 hymns and 10 readings - all from Luke 22/23 beginning with the last supper (copies of the readings will be provided). Service to be recommended.

An Evening with Stuart Townend - Stuart Townend is visiting Swindon on the 19th April at St Joseph's College. Tickets are available from the Lighthouse Bookshop, Highworth or the Rainbow bookshop, Swindon or just talk to Wendy. £15 full price or £12 for under 16s. People helping at the event will get a free ticket. If you know somewhere that you can put up posters or some flyers please let Wendy know.

CELEBRATING HER MAJESTY'S 90th BIRTHDAY

The Stewards feel that it would be good to celebrate the Queen's special birthday (21st April) by holding a tea party in the church for everyone connected with our church on Saturday 23rd April. Please let one of the stewards know if you think it's a good idea and whether you would be able to attend/help. Even if you don't normally attend any of our social occasions how about joining us this time?

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Alpha Course for 11 weeks from Monday (am) 11th January - 21st March

Sunday 20th March - Palm Sunday - parade to St Andrews and united service at 10.15 am

Friday 25th March - Good Friday service - 9.30 am

Sunday 27th March - Easter Sunday

Sunday 3rd April - Circuit Service - 6.30 pm at Church of Christ the Servant, Abbey Meads

Saturday 16th April - Quiz & Puds Night - SMC 7.00 pm - in aid of Action for Children

Saturday 23rd April - Afternoon tea to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday

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

PLEASE NOTE:

Please send anything to be included in the notices to: morvawhite@supanet.com by Thursday.