

SHRIVENHAM METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY 25th October 2015

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 25th October

10.30 am	Louise Ashford (hymns from Singing the Faith)
6.30 pm	Revd Keith Osborn (HC?)
Steward	Janet Mawer
Door	Morva White
Organ	Stella Tidmarsh
Readers	Morva White/Paul Holloway
Creche	Nicki Norris

Services for next Sunday 1st November

10.30 am	Revd Keith Osborn (HC)
3.00 pm	Longcot with Revd Richard Hancock
Steward	Pam Mullin
Door	Michelle Holloway
Organ	Stella Tidmarsh
Readers	Helen & Harold Taylor
Creche	Sue Colyer
Flowers	Helen Taylor
Garden	Harold Taylor

Prayers this week

Circuit: Royal Wootton Bassett

Rota: All the different churches and fellowships in our local area, including our own pastoral groups

Local Roads: Stainswick Lane, Stoneleigh Close, Glebe Close, Sandy Lane, Charlotte Close

Events this Week

Monday 26th

4th Alpha meeting 7.00 pm

Tuesday 27th

Refreshers 8.30 am in front room

Wednesday 28th

Thursday 29th

Prayer meeting front room, 8pm

Friday 30th

Hymn Practice at Stella's 8pm

Friday Fellowship at Longcot*

Saturday 31st

Prayer breakfast 8.30 in front room

Coffee Morning at Longcot*

* **Friday Fellowship at Longcot - 1.45 pm** - Tony Belk is giving a 'virtual' guided tour of the Orkneys. Everyone is welcome and you can enjoy tea & biscuits afterwards. Ask Stella if you need a lift.

* **Saturday Coffee Morning at Longcot** - in aid of Tony's nominated charity: **Practical Action**. Tea/coffee and home made biscuits while you chat, with home made cakes to buy.

Action for Children - - Saturday 7th November at 7.00 pm at Highworth Methodist Church - **'PACK UP YOUR TROUBLES'** talk by John Grimwood (Historian & Holts Battlefield Tour Guide) - A visual tour of the Western Front in WW1 in words, music & poetry. Tickets £8, to include Fish & Chip supper - available from Janet or Michele.

"This speaker comes highly recommended as entertaining and fun"

Alpha Course - fourth session on Monday evening (26th October) at 7.00 pm with supper. You can still come along for this session and perhaps bring a friend with you - it does not commit you to coming for the whole course, but please continue to pray for the those who are coming, and for those leading the sessions.

Highworth Methodist Church - Anniversary Weekend - 21/22 November. Rev Paul Ashby and his wife Carmel are leading the weekend. The overall theme for the study day on Saturday is: **'God encounter'**. Two teaching / practical sessions led by both Paul Carmel, 10.30 -12.30, then a session after lunch, along with a time of worship. Please do come along. Refreshments will be provided, but do bring your own packed lunch.

They will also lead and take both services at the church on Sunday (10.30am and 6pm).

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

October 5th-7th December - jointly organised Alpha Course at SMC
November 7th - talk in aid of Action for Children at Highworth MC (see above)
November 8th - Remembrance Service at St Andrew's
November 15th - Annual Church Meeting (AGM) following morning service
November 22nd - service by Group 1
Christmas Dates:

Crib Fest - 10, 11 and 12 December in the mornings

Carols round the tree - 13 December

Afternoon Carol Service - Wednesday 16 December at 2.15 pm

Carol singing outside Sainsburys - Thursday 17 December 6-8 pm (in aid of Action for Children)

Carol singing outside the Co-op - Saturday 19 December

Family Carol Service - Sunday 20 December at 10.30 am

Church open for coffee & mince pies - mornings of 22, 23 and 24 December 10-12 noon

NO Christmas Eve evening service - see later notices

(NO evening service on Sunday 27 December)

Ecumenical Covenant Service at SMC - Sunday 3 January 10.30 am

Longcot Ecumenical Service - Sunday 3 January 3.00 pm

(NO evening service at Shrivenham Sunday 3 January)

Worship Consultation Meeting - Tuesday 5th January - 7.30 at Stella's

Bible Study 2016 - Saturday 23rd January with Revd Steve Wild (President of the Methodist Conference)

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 will be out on Friday next week so please let Morva by next Friday morning: morvawhite@supanet.com if there is anything to include