

SHRIVENHAM METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY 26th July 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 26th July

10.30 am	Jenny Meegan
6.30 pm	Revd Keith Osborn (HC)
Steward	Janet Mawer
Door	Bob Mawer
Organ	Stella Tidmarsh
Readers	Bob Mawer/Paul Holloway
Creche	Bob Mawer?
Coffee	Stella Tidmarsh/Linda Hood

Services for next Sunday 2nd August

10.30 am	Worship Leaders
3.00 pm	Longcot with Revd Keith Osborn
Steward	Pam Mullin
Door	Lynn Pembroke
Organ	Stella Tidmarsh
Readers	Ian Brodie/Lynn Pembroke
Creche	Linda Hood
Flowers	Michelle Holloway
Garden:	Ian Brodie

Prayers this week

Circuit: Royal Wootton Bassett
Rota: Our Minister, Circuit Superintendent, other circuit Ministers, local preachers, worship leaders & church leadership teams
Holiday Bible Clubs

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

Events this Week

Monday 27th

Tuesday 28th

Refreshers 8.30am in front room

Wednesday 29th

Thursday 30th

Prayer meeting 7pm in front room

Friday 31st

Hymn practice at Stella's 8.00pm

Saturday 1st

Prayer breakfast 8.30 in front room
Coffee Shop - Group 1

Sunday Club - there will be no Sunday Club organised during the school holidays. Activities for the children to do will be put on the tables in Church.

Tea in the Garden - 26th July - Harold & Helen would be pleased if you could join them for a special "Tea in the Garden" on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary from 3.00pm onwards to help them enjoy the Celebrations. They respectfully request NO gifts but donations can be made if you so wish to either Phakamisa or Action for Children.

Harold & Helen were presented with a gift (a rose bush called Golden Spray) and card from the church at last Sunday's service.

Prayer & Fasting Day -Praying for our church - Keith and the Leadership Team are encouraging people to pray (and fast) especially for our church on **Monday 3 August**. The church will be open from 10am - 12 noon for a quiet environment which may help to focus our prayers, and Keith will be there during that time.

Youth Worker - Good News! We now have agreement from the Circuit for a Shrivenham Youth Worker, working with ages 10+. This post will be advertised by the circuit in September for 20 hours a week for 2 years, with the aim for the person appointed to start early 2016. There will need to be a Support Group from within our church as we will be responsible for managing and supporting the Youth Worker. The Circuit will pay for the Youth Worker, with our church making a contribution - we have agreed with the circuit £5,000 annually. Some fund raising will therefore be necessary.

Keswick Convention - For anyone who would like to watch, the 7.30 evening meetings from the Keswick Bible Convention are being live streamed on YouTube this year. Type in You tube, Keswick Convention, and you can set reminders for the meetings and watch them live. The week beginning the 25th is the last week of Keswick this year, and Stuart Townend will be leading the worship - worth a watch!

Advance warning for all cake makers. We have a stall again at the Village Fete on 29 August selling cakes, so lots of cakes please.

Even further advance warning! -Even though it is only July, Bob has 5 designs of **Phakamisa Christmas Cards** available for people to view and order. There is a large stock of each design in equal numbers, but as some designs always prove to be more popular than others, Bob will send off the orders as he receives them, so that people are hopefully not disappointed if a particular design runs out. All are priced at £3.50 per pack of 10. The final deadline for ordering is likely to be the end of September, but obviously the nearer we get to that date, the more likely it is that specific designs will be unavailable. Orders will be ready for payment and collection at church from 25th October onwards. As usual, Bob will display the 5 designs on a flip chart and there will be an order form for people to fill in (especially important when Bob & Janet are not around to take orders personally).

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tea in the Garden: 26th - Harold & Helen's, 16th Aug - Lynn & Ian's, 20th Sept - Stella's
Picnic at Ashdown - 23rd August

Saturday 29th August - Shrivenham Fete - we have a cake stall

Tuesday 1st September - Welcome service for Revd Dr Jonathan Pye - 7.30pm

Saturday 12th September - Oxfordshire Churches Ride & Stride

Sunday 13th September - Revd Dr Jonathan Pye will be taking a service at Highworth Methodist Church at 6.00 pm

September 27th - Harvest Festival Service at St Andrew's (SMC will decorate a window)

September 29th - Church Council Meeting

Saturday 17th October - Circuit Day on Exploring Prayer - 10.00 am-4.00 pm - Speaker is Revd Dr Chris Voke from Spurgeon's College

November 8th - Remembrance Service at St Andrew's

November 15th - Annual Church Meeting (AGM) following morning service

November 22nd - service by Group 1

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

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