WELCOME

THE ELDERS



Notices

HYMNS & READINGS

OT Exodus 16:2–5, 11–36 MP 201 Guide Me, O Thy Great

WIP 201 Guide Me, O Thy Great

Jehovah

NT Matthew 14:13–21

MP 64 Break Thou the Bread of Life

NT John 6:30–40

MP 261 I Am the Bread of Life

NT Matthew 26:17–19, 26–30

MP 66 Broken for Me, Broken for

You

UPCOMING SERVICES

30th Jan Rev Andrew Sellwood

Duty Elder Rosina Bayley 6th Feb Hilary Redman

Duty Elder Val Berry

13th Feb Rev Andrew Sellwood

Duty Elder Val Cooper

MESSY CHURCH

Val Cooper/Bett Swierk

For Messy Church in February we are in need of cardboard tubes, either the inner tubes from kitchen paper or from rolls of wrapping paper. For the March Messy Church we are needing cardboard boxes, generally squarish or rectangular in shape with a flat top.

Thank you

DEC AFGHANISTAN CRISIS APPEAL

Matthew Smith

DEC launched an appeal before Christmas to help those in desperate need, in Afghanistan, who are facing catastrophic hunger. As a Church we always seek to support DEC appeals, which are made only in the most exceptional circumstances.

Unfortunately, Covid constrained our opportunities to respond to this particular appeal over the Christmas period. However, the need is ongoing and likely to get worse over the coming weeks.

An opportunity will therefore be provided for you to contribute through the collection plate on each Sunday from 23rd January to 13th February inclusive. Please place your donations in an envelope marked "DEC Afghanistan Appeal". If you are not attending Church at this time, please consider sending your donations to me by post.

Thank you

Prayers

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday

Give thanks for all who have led Public Worship today in our land. May the words they have spoken in your name and the prayers offered, be an influence for good as we try to follow you more closely in the coming week.

Monday:

Pray for those who jostle for power that they do not deserve and for those who wield their power with integrity and justice.

Tuesday:

Spirit of Life, who grants us the courage we need to act, we praise your name. Spirit of Love, who knows our nature and loves us, we praise your name.

Wednesday:

Pray for those who speak out with a voice of concern for the environment, the forests, the seas, the air we breathe – and for those who seek to silence them.

Thursday

Pray for all the people we take for granted, yet who are so important to daily life. Pray for the transport workers, food processors, shopkeepers, refuse collectors, postmen and women, and all those whose work keeps us going in vital but almost hidden ways.

Friday:

Pray for the outsiders in our society – those sleeping rough and lacking sufficient food. Pray that any generosity shown to them might prove a catalyst, bringing change and improvement to their lives.

Saturday:

Rejoice today in those who prepare the way for others to flourish and pray that we may seek to do likewise.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYERS

During the year we also remember all in our Church Family.

This week:

Rosina Bayley, Valerie Berry, Jane Bond and Gordon Brunton

Notices and Diary

MISSING ITEM

Carol Webber

Has anyone found a key in or around the church premises? I lost one a few weeks ago.

FLOWERS

Val Gill

Thank you for the beautiful flowers delivered to me on Monday. I was back at work and they really brightened my day, just what I needed.

THIS WEEK

| Mon 24 th Jan | 09:30-11:30 | Mini Fishes in the Main Hall and Cornwall Room |
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| | 14:00-16:00 | Coffee & Cake Drop-in in the Sanctuary |
| | 18:00-19:00 | Table Tennis Juniors in the Main Hall |
| Tue 25 th Jan | 09:30-11:30 | Table Tennis in the Main Hall |
| | 13:30-14:15 | Pre-school Puppet Club in the Main Hall |
| | 14:00-16:00 | Tuesday Fellowship in the Cornwall Room |
| Fri 28 th Jan | 14:00-16:00 | Kestro in the Main Hall |

ADVANCE NOTICE

Sat 5th Feb 09:30–12:30 Art and Craft Club in the Sanctuary
Sat 12th Feb 14:00–16:00 Messy Church in the Main Hall and Cornwall Room

BEHIND THE SCENES

17th Jan: Electricity meter replacement rescheduled for 31st Jan, 16:00–18:00

20th Jan: Internet fault fixed by engineers – service restored

20th Jan: Admin Group meeting in the Cornwall Room

- · Kitchen dishwasher pull cord switch changed
- Refurb of Minister's Vestry washroom complete
- Bike racks removed from Little Fishes south playground
- Valves changed on faulty Sanctuary gas heaters
- Replacement junior lavatory installed
- Stop cock for outside tap replaced (Main Hall)
- Threshold between Main Hall/Cornwall Room floor relaid



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