

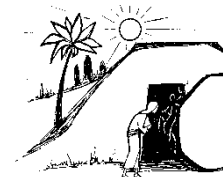
CHURCH FLOWERS The flower fund has unfortunately run into debt due to purchases for special occasions such as Easter and Christmas. Small donations would be very welcome, perhaps those who do not usually contribute might like to help cover this.

THE WELFORD LECTURES continue this year on the theme of Talking about God. They start at 4pm and finish at 5.30pm with a short tea break in the middle on the following dates:

21st May Rev Professor Frances Young – Myth, metaphor and parable
4th June Rev Dr. Neil Richardson – Continuity from the Old Testament to the New
11th June Ann Conway - When Moses met God on Mount Sinai.

Further details on the notice board in the Welcome Area.

EVESHAM METHODIST CHURCH NOTICES



EASTER 2, 23rd April 2017

10.30 am Mr Alan Cooper
6.30 pm Rev Dr Israel Sevanayagam

We welcome you to Worship today and especially welcome any visitors. We serve tea and coffee after the service in the Welcome Area. Do stay and meet together with us. **Sunday Club** for school aged children and a crèche are usually available after the opening part of the service.



In your prayers this week please remember:

- those conducting worship throughout the Circuit
- the Circuit churches especially those that are struggling week by week
- those preparing for a General Election.

Prayer from **CORD** (Christians working for world peace and reconciliation)

Dear Lord, we celebrate in joy the resurrection of your only begotten son. We give thanks for the hope and joy Jesus brings. Help us to live like him and continue to spread his love and compassion in all our undertakings. Let us not grow weary in doing good and keep our eyes fixed firmly on him..

We pray for the people of Broadway Church and for their outreach through the Way, that it may bless them and the village. Amen

The Welcome Area of our church is usually open for tea and coffee on:-
Monday–Thursday 10.30–12.30, Friday 11.00–12.30 and Saturday 10.30–12 noon.

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Items for notices should be placed in the tartan box by 12 noon on the previous Wednesday or emailed to all three of the following by 12 noon on Thursday
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HOLY WEEK beginning 24.4.17

Tuesday	9.45 am	Sunbeams
Wednesday	12 noon	Midweek Communion
Thursday	7.30 pm	Thursday Group, Rev Audrey Simpson
Friday	10.30 am 7.30 pm	Shoppers' Service – Mrs. Sheila Brown Choir Practice
Sunday	10.30 am 6.30 pm	Mr James Knott Own Arrangement

SUNDAY CLUB Thank you to everyone who supported the Sunday Club cake sale. We raised £50.20 for WWF.

EASTER OFFERING Easter Offering envelopes are Still available now in Church for the work of World Missions. Please make any cheques payable to Stratford and Evesham Methodist Missions. **EASTER OFFERING DEDICATION** will be on Sunday 21 May, 6.30 pm at Stratford. Preacher the Rev Ian Howarth, District Chair. Refreshments from 5.00 pm
Carol Watton

CHRISTIAN AID Don't get too excited, but Christian Aid Week is fast approaching and I know how eager you all are to be involved in the door to door collections. Well, the list is up for you to sign for the road of your choice, so hurry and get signing or you might miss out. Christian Aid really does need your help, funds are low while the need is great, so if you have any time between 14-20 May, then please do sign up. Thanks,

Please note : the donations for Super soup are now £260. An excellent result!

Viv Jones

BIBLE STUDY The next session is on Tuesday 2nd May. Wednesday sessions are suspended until a consensus is reached. A catch up session is possible if there is a collective interest.

A WORK-IN will happen at the church on Saturday 6 May from 9 – 12 in order to do the many jobs which now need attention. So, get your diaries out, note the date and come along even if you can only spare a short time to help; it will be appreciated! A list of jobs planned to be tackled will be on the notice board in the church shortly.

ADVANCE NOTICE. There will be a BBQ in the Manse Garden on Saturday, 13 May from 12 noon onwards. Details nearer the time.

IMPORTANT DATE FOR ALL CHURCH MEMBERS -

EVESHAM GENERAL CHURCH MEETING – Sunday 14th May after Morning Service

As well as discussing many aspects of Church Life, this Annual Meeting is responsible for appointing and reappointing several Church Officers especially Church Stewards for which there are several vacancies this year. Two stewards are on duty at every Sunday service to prepare the Church and welcome the Preacher and the congregation as we as fulfilling many other roles behind the scenes and during the week. Ideally 8 stewards are needed to “spread the load” but it is several years since we had a full quota. Please consider this role very carefully and talk to the present stewards for more details. Stewards do need to be Church members. A Nomination list is on the board in the Welcome Area. All are Welcome to attend the Church Meeting although voting is restricted to Church Members.

WEDNESDAY LUNCH I am sorry the lunch this week had to be cancelled. It was unavoidable because of illness. Please note that if you wish to have lunch on Wednesday May 17th, you will need to give your name to Sheila Weary 47267 or Mar Leedham 446101
Mary Leedham

THANKS FOR THE CASES, can you help fill them please...? The reason for asking for large cases was that my dad is taking me on a special educational visit to Tanzania in May, including visiting St Jukes school. We are hoping to take the cases full of educational materials (the airline has agreed) so if anyone has anything they could contribute, please put in the Welcome Area box. (I do have school permission and the are also contributing).
Martha Haslam Cook

WELCOME PACKS There is a supply of Welcome Packs in the rack in the Welcome Area which are intended for new people who wish to join us on a regular basis. These contain a copy of the current Circuit Plan, the Monthly Church Bulletin, the latest Church Magazine, a Church History Leaflet and a Church Handbook. These are all available separately on the tables at the back of the church or from the racks in the Welcome Area. If you require one of these and cannot find one please ask and one will be found or printed specially for you. Please do NOT tamper with the Welcome Packs and remove individual items from them.
John Teare

JUNE CHURCH MAGAZINE John Teare will be pleased to receive your articles by May 14.