

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY (Further details on all these events are available on the Notice Board in the Welcome Area).

REIMAGINE CHURCH A Conference on 21st Century Ministry: 9.30 am – 4 pm on Saturday 10 March.

BOOK LAUNCH Rev Israel will be launching his new book “Kristu Bhakti and Krishna Bhakti” at Stratford on Wednesday 21 March from 7.30 pm – 9.00 pm.

EVESHAM METHODIST CHURCH NOTICES

25th February 2018

Lent 2

10.30 am Mr James Knott AAW
6.30 pm Rev Dr. Israel Selvanayagam

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 attending worship throughout the Circuit.
- Rev Ros Murphy and her family following the sudden death of her son.
- the Church Council as it meets this week and makes decisions on everyone's behalf.

Circuit Prayer from Evesham: Loving God, we give thanks today for the Women's World Day of Prayer next Friday, which reminds us of our dependence on your love as the giver of life to benefit others. Above all, we give you thanks for sending us Jesus to show us how to use the gift of life to benefit others. Help us to follow his example, that we may hand over a better world to those who come after us. This we ask in his name, our loving Lord and Saviour. Amen

The Welcome Area of our church is usually open for tea and coffee Monday-Thursday 10.30-12.30, Friday 11-12.30, 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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Week beginning 26.2.18

Tuesday	9.45 am 7.30 pm	Sunbeams Church Council
Wednesday	10. 30 am 12 noon	Knit and natter in the Welcome Area Midweek Communion
Friday	10. 30 am 2.30 pm 7.30 pm	Shoppers' Service – Mr Alan Cooper Women's World Day of Prayer at Norton (see below) Choir practice
Saturday	2 pm	Daffodil Day Service at Stratford (see below)
Sunday	10. 30 am 6.30 pm	Rev Dr Israel Selvanayagam - Holy Communion Rev Andrew Spurr

FLOWERS today are given by Kathleen Wadams in memory of her Mum and Dad.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER will be celebrated this year at 2.30 pm on Friday 2 March at St Egwins, Norton and Lenchwick. The service has been written by the women of Suriname who are very concerned about God's creation and the damage being caused by rubbish. The service is VERY topical and thought provoking. Please try to support those who have organised it at Norton. It was written by women but is for ALL, MEN as well! Refreshments afterwards.

DAFFODIL DAY is an event celebrated in London by the Methodist Church for many years but this year the Birmingham District is holding a service at Stratford Methodist Church on Saturday 3 March at 2 pm to which all are invited. A Welsh minister is giving the address and there will be a Welsh soloist and possibly choir. Sheila Weary can offer transport to anyone who would like to attend.

EVESHAM STREET PASTORS are starting another series of training sessions and would like to encourage others to think about this important mission work in the town. If you would like to learn more about the work of a Street Pastor or a Prayer Partner please contact John Darby on 07747 842 192 or by email at johndarby@icloud.com (see poster).

SPONSORED SLIM Eric and Viv are on their way to raising loads of money for the British Heart Foundation and Christian Aid. Please sponsor us and support these charities as we slowly disappear!
Eric and Viv Jones

THE SATURDAY/SUNDAY COFFEE ROTAS are due to be compiled soon. If you would like to help make drinks on these days, please contact Sheila Weary 47267 before the end of Feb.

THE CHOIR would be delighted to welcome anyone who is able to help out on Easter Day 10.30 service with an anthem? We will be rehearsing on Fridays during March.

ECO NEWS Latest issue now available on the Mission table, lots of interesting information.

KNIT & NATTER IN OASIS In just a few weeks this initiative has developed and each Wednesday morning a group of us are meeting to knit, natter and sew up the squares for blankets for refugees. All are welcome to join us any Wednesday morning. A huge thank you to all who have been busy with their needles whether at Oasis or at home: already we have been able to make up 7 adult blankets, 3 children's sized and have had donations of 5 fleece blankets. This is a wonderful response to the ongoing refugee situation. We will continue our support in this work and thank you for all you are doing.
Jean Pritchard

SOUTH INDIA STUDY TOUR Response to the meeting on 21 Feb. with some apologies showed increased interest. The proposed plan and schedule was more or less accepted though there will be space for changes. However, we need a few more to register so that there will be a satisfactory number to form a sizeable group. We decided to keep it open until the end of April and to encourage friends and associates. In the meantime, we will be happy to talk to those who are interested and to send the tentative plan & schedule.
Rev Israel and Leela