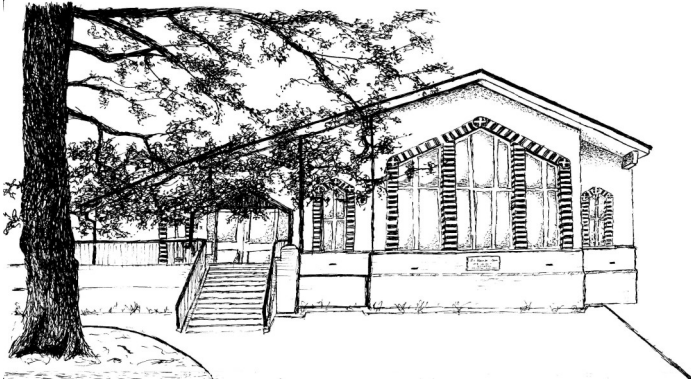


WELLINGTON METHODIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER



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'Growing by sharing God's Love'

Wellington Methodist Church and Centre

New Street, Wellington, Telford, TF1 1LU

Sunday 21st July 2019

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Welcome to Wellington Methodist Church! At the top of New Street, the church seeks to serve town and people and offers good news for all. If you are here for the first time or just visiting the area you are welcome. Please feel at home and if you would like to know more about the work of the Church please ask, or fill in one of the contact leaflet sheets to join the mailing/ email list. Do stay and join us for tea and coffee after the service.

Dear Friends,

Over the last few days I have reflected on the need to have reserves to draw upon in our spiritual lives.

Owing to the weather in the last couple of weeks being generally dry, my tomatoes, potatoes and strawberries needed a bit of support. In fact, they needed a lot of support as almost every day the pots they were contained in became dry. Fortunately, some time ago I fixed a water butt to the drainpipe from the garage roof, and over the winter and whenever it rains, this fills up, and when in the last few weeks my precious plants needed it, there was plenty of refreshing water to draw on.

Over the years, I have found that there are times when experience and circumstance have a draining effect on my spiritual life. In times of illness; or facing problems beyond human control; or when the demands of caring for others has stretched physical and emotional energy to the limit, it has been reassuring to discover that within myself there's a reservoir of knowledge and understanding of God that has helped to sustain me.

The psalmist talks of a well of God's love and power that can be drawn from when all else seems lost and broken. All of us can draw from this well when we need to, but we also need to replenish it with our study of God's Word; our experience of worship and fellowship, and the personal discipline of prayer.

Be sure that God is and will always be with you, and for those times when it's possible to doubt or be tested, keep the reserve tank filled with a regular and disciplined personal, spiritual life.

Love and Peace.

Derrick R. Lander

Services for Sunday 21st July

10.15 am Holy Communion- Rev Dr P Rees

Mid-Week Service

Thursday 25th July 9.30 am- Communion - Rev Derrick Lander

Services for Sunday 28th July

10.15 am Morning Worship - Rev K Cook

Marsh Green Services

21st July 6.30 pm - Evening Service - Rev K Cook

28th July - No Service



Our prayers :For this week we are asked to pray for... Joyce, Steve, Ben and Cassie, Mary L. Graham O (now out of hospital and in Hatton Court); Jean M

NEWS, DIARY DATES & SPECIAL EVENTS

Prayer Group

From today a small group will be praying for our services every third Sunday. We will meet in the Sanctuary from 9:45 am and would welcome any other folk to join us as we pray specifically for our church, its people and the ministry each Sunday. Please feel welcome to join us but don't feel compelled to do so.

Food for Thought

Thursday 25th July 12.15 - 1.00 pm

Food for thought recommences on Thursday 25th July when our speaker will be Paul Trenberth who has a very interesting exercise. The following week we're lucky to welcome our old friend, Rosemary Walker. All are welcome. David Corbett

Open House Invitation from Leon and Barbara **Sun 28th July 2.30 - 8.00 pm**

You are warmly invited to join us for light refreshments and fellowship. There will be a Bring & Buy stall and any funds raised will be used to provide scholarships for Queen Salote College, Tonga. - 63 Haybridge Road. TF1 5JL - 01952 249135

Date for the diary

Sun 8th Sept at 4pm

Welcome Service for Rev Christopher Parkes at Wellington Methodist Church.

Safeguarding Training Opportunities through the Methodist Church

Refresher Module Safeguarding Training at Wellington on **Thurs 10 October 7pm.**

Please make sure if you need to attend that you book as soon as possible. Remember that the Refresher Course should be attended four years after the Foundation Training, then at four year intervals thereafter. Anyone who has not attended the Advanced Level Safeguarding training and needs to do so, must attend the Foundation Training at least before doing so, as well as going through the Essential Preparation material. This applies to everyone whatever their previous experience. Please contact Sharon on 505108 as soon as possible to book your place.

Volunteer drivers needed

Strickland Travel, which is based at Telford After Care Team at Strickland House in Wellington, Telford, are a registered charity and a community interest company helping people from Telford with mental health illnesses and addiction issues

through community groups, housing associations and local projects. They are looking for part time volunteers to drive the mini bus to help to reduce social isolation. Please contact Rob Evers on 01952 899204.

Soup Lunch.

There will be NO SOUP LUNCH in August. Instead we will be having a shared lunch on August 11th to mark Deacon Julie's last official service with us at Wellington. We hope you will come along and join us. Lists for donations are on the board by the kitchen. Just indicate whether you will be bringing something sweet or savoury. Many thanks.

Readers List

We are currently updating our 'Readers List' of those willing to read in church on Sundays. Those who wish to remain on, be added to or removed from the list, would you let me know as soon as you can please.

Thank you, Jennifer.

World Church

If you are a holder of a World Church box please could you let have it as soon as possible so it can be emptied. Thankyou Barbara Murray.

Second hand clothing needed

If you are having a clear out please remember that in the new year the Boys' Brigade will be holding their annual Jumble Sale so please bring it to the church anytime to help them raise funds for the organisation.

JMA Boxes

Calling all JMA box holders. Please could you let me or Catherine Nitta have them as soon as possible so they can be emptied before the end of August.

Thankyou Barbara

Prayer Handbook

The new prayer handbook, Responding to the Gospel, will be available shortly. If anyone needs a large print handbook please let me know as soon as possible. Barbara

Fantastic fun-filled feast for fortunate fit fogey

This dinosaur is planning a day's cycle ride to raise funds for the church. The total distance is some 45 miles. The route will be Wellington - Battlefield - High Ercall - Newport - Wellington. If anyone of any age would like to join me, that would be great. There will be three or four refreshment/rest stops. I suggest that other cyclists pedal at their own comfortable speed and we could all meet at resting points. I do not wish the church to organise such an event for obvious reasons(!) David Corbett

Thank you

thank you to everyone for their kind wishes and cards for my leaving. I will miss you all. Richard Lockley

Methodist homes Quiz

Thank you to all who bought the Quiz and those who sent in entries. The winners were Veronica Keffen and Jennifer Mansell. Well done. Mary Lewis

WEEKDAY PROGRAMME

Monday 22nd July

9.00 - 1.00 pm	Slimming World	Community Room
7.30 - 9.00 pm	Severn Harmony	Fellowship Room
7.00 - 9.00 pm	Banners	Sanctuary

Tuesday 23rd July

Wednesday 24th July

9.30 - 12.00 noon	Here to listen	Fellowship Room
7.15 - 9.00 pm	Adult Dance Group	Hall

Thursday 25th July

9.30 - 10.00 am	Mid Week Service	Sanctuary
10.00 - 12.00 noon	Coffee Morning	Community Room
12.15 - 1.00 pm	Food for Thought	Sanctuary
1.30 - 4.00 pm	Breathe Easy Group	Hall
7.30 - 9.00 pm	Prayer Meeting	Sanctuary

Friday 26th July

10.00 - 12.00 noon	Craft and Chat	Hall
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Saturday 27th July

10.00 - 12.00 noon	Coffee Morning	Hall
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Art Exhibition

This year was the ninth exhibition we have held and we would like to thank all those who supported it and made it such a successful occasion. Winner of the peoples choice was Wendy Bonigal with her picture of Japanese Anemones and for the children, Daniel Burkitt with his piece 'live gentler upon the earth.'. This year we had over 50 pieces of art work from children and the prizes went to Sebastian Goodson, Daniel Burkitt and Olivia Uttley. Twenty five pieces of artwork were sold and we would like to thank all of you who came and viewed the exhibition . Role on next year. Wellington Methodist church Art Group.

Bible Study

The next Tuesday morning Bible study will be on 30th July at 10 pm. The group will not meet during August