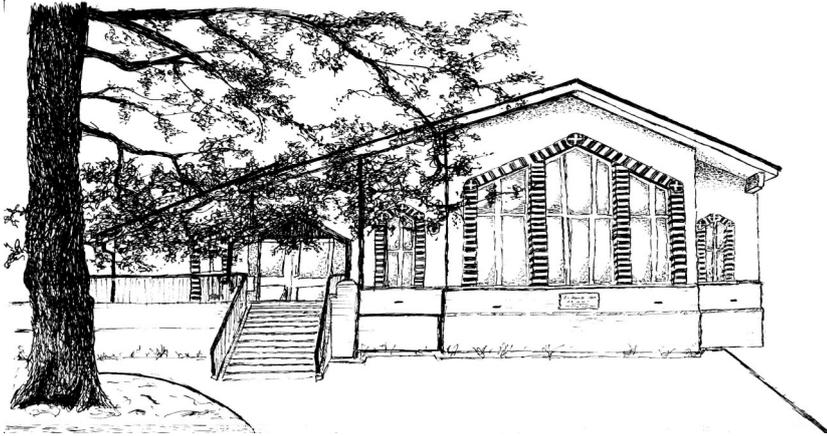


WELLINGTON METHODIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER



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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

Often in considering the Lord's prayer, we are asked to reflect on what it teaches us to pray. The gospel writer, Luke, goes further however and relates Jesus' teaching about our attitude to prayer as well., through the telling of a short story (luke 11 v 5-13). The crux of this story is the man's persistence in asking for, and even insisting on, asking help from his friend.

Prayer can be a struggle at times; persistence in it hard work. We struggle to keep doing it even when there appears to be no answer. We struggle too not to feel overwhelmed by the sheer numbers of matters which cry out for prayer. There are thousands of things to pray about, for the world; church our family and friends and neighbours, ourselves. So many things in fact, that at times we may not even begin to pray let alone persist in it.

Jesus however encourages his followers to engage with the struggle of prayer so that it moves beyond routine or simply going through the motions. This is because it is going through our prayers that God's love is poured out for the world, generously and unconditionally.

Every blessing

Diane

Services for Sunday 28th July

10.15 am Morning Worship- Rev Kate Cook

Mid-Week Service

Thursday 9.30 am- Communion - Rev Derrick Lander

Services for Sunday 4th August

10.15 am Morning Worship - Jo Kudlacik

Marsh Green Services - 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 . As preparation continues for the Holiday Club, please pray for the team and of all the families that will attend.

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.

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.

Stitch in Time

There will be no Stitch in Time during the month of August but the group will resume on 5th September. All are welcome.

Help in the Office

Could anyone volunteer some time in the office while I am away from 19th August to 13th September? There are various jobs which could be shared out and we also someone to do our regular fire alarm checks etc.

Please see me as soon as possible or Derrick lander if you are able to help. Barbara Murray

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

Betty, Liz and Les would like to thank all those who made her 80th birthday so special. From the church holiday group singing happy birthday over the phone to her friends who came to the tea party on the Wednesday morning, a very big thank you. Unfortunately we could not attend but we were pleased to see the photos and know you all enjoyed yourselves in our absence.

WEEKDAY PROGRAMME

Monday 29th July

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

Tuesday 30th August

10-11.00am	Bible study	Fellowship Room
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Wednesday 1st August

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

Thursday 2nd August

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

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

Methodist Church Volunteer Awards

Win up to £3,000 for your church!

Celebrating the valuable work of church volunteers. The Methodist Church Volunteer Awards is your church's chance to say thank you to those members of the church who are always there. First to roll up their sleeves and lend a hand, these are the people at the very heart of your church community. While sometimes it goes unnoticed, these small contributions can make a huge difference. Methodist Insurance want to hear about these volunteers so they can share their stories and inspire others to get involved and volunteer.

For more information, click here: www.methodistinsurance.co.uk/volunteerawards

Date for your diary This year the Big O Party will be held on Saturday 21 st September. All are welcome.