

!! GOOD NEWS & THANK YOUS !!

Judy Rayner wants to say a Big Thank You to all those who came to celebrate her 90th Birthday Party and a very special Thank You to Daphne, Nicola, Nessa and Olga who organised and presented the food and cake, the decorations, particularly the table decorations, and made it such a delightful afternoon for us all.

Rev Ralph Ward, our new minister, asks everyone to feel free to phone him at any time with needs and requests. His number is 01342 325877. Ralph's first planned appointment with us is on 16th September which will be a Communion service.

Prayers at St Richards Church, Three Bridges We are invited to join with members of St Richards and other churches on Monday afternoons from 2:15 –3:30pm for informal meetings with bible readings, prayers and discussions and of course refreshments. For anyone free on Mondays this is a good opportunity to join with other Christians in Crawley and make new friends. If you are interested ask me for details of the St Richards contact person (*Joyce Jordan*)

Church Contacts

Minister Rev Ralph Ward 01342 325877

Room bookings Please phone 07594 472523 or go to **Book a Room** on the website menu bar

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Northgate, Crawley

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Sunday 9th September 2018

10:30am Rev Clive McKie

Readings: James 2: 1-10

Mark 7: 24-37

Theme: Favouritism

***Please stay after the service for 15 minutes
of prayer as the new Methodist Year starts***

3-5pm Messy Church

First time at St Paul's? Please join us for refreshments and a friendly chat after the service. We can tell you about our church and its activities and we'll try to answer any questions you may have.

Large print hymn books are available from the door stewards.

Flowers today donated by Jill and Howard Mason for their daughter's Wedding Anniversary.

Sunday 16th September

10:30am Rev Ralph Ward

Holy Communion

Our mission at Paul's is to:

Unite in Faith

Worship in Faith

Grow in Faith

Share the Good News

Make disciples

Serve in love

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Loaves and Fishes Café

Monday – Wednesday 10:30 – 1:30

Thursday 10:30 – 12:30

- Tues 11th 7:30pm** Leadership Team meeting
Wed 12th 9:30-12 Everywoman's Badminton
2pm Women's Fellowship *DVD Pictures Over the Years*
8pm Pound Hill House Fellowship at Frances' house.
Ian Wilkins from Open House. All welcome.
Fri 14th 7pm Young People's Singing Group
Instrumental lessons start
7:45pm Choir practice
Sat 15th 10am Coffee Stop for Macmillan Nurses. Home-made cakes and items for sale would be welcome (*Daphne Ford*)

FURTHER AHEAD

- Wed 19th Sept 7:30pm** Travellers' House Fellowship at the Jordans' house. *Discussion of the President's and Vice Presidents' addresses to Conference.* All welcome.
Mon 24th Sept 7:30pm Furnace Green House Fellowship at Olive's house. *Rev Clive McKie will talk about his work.*
Sun 30th Sept 10:30am Harvest Festival – see panel opposite.

Harvest Festival

10:30am

Sunday 30th September

Rev Melvyn Cooke

Our gifts of money this year will support *All We Can*. Their theme is *Let Your Light Shine*. This project will help communities in drought-stricken Malawi by installing solar panels to provide power to irrigate dry land and to give training to help improve farming techniques. Envelopes for your donations will be available soon.

Our gifts of produce will go to *The Easter Team*, a local charity which offers help and support for people in need or who are experiencing hardship. They provide food, clothing, advice, some counselling and, where appropriate, financial assistance. They also serve up to 50 free hot meals each Saturday. They particularly ask for tins and packets of:

Meat and Fish	Vegetables
Fruit	Beans
Tea / Coffee	Cereals
Soup	Biscuits
Pasta	Desserts

Don't forget Water Aid – please drop your loose change into the bucket at the front of the church each week until Harvest Sunday.

Time for Prayer

Thank God for music at St Paul's and pray for everyone who serves him and enriches worship in this way; pianists, instrumentalists, choir and Young People's Singing Group. Ask God to bless the new Friday night music lessons and all who take part in them.

Continue to pray for Robert, Jessica, Stephanie, George, Marcy, Carol and others with needs known to ourselves.

Methodist Church Guidelines state that permission must be received from a person before their name is put on the Church prayer list. Please ensure that you have such permission