GOOD NEWS & THANK YOUS

Kids' Coin Clatter last Sunday raised £61.32 for St Paul's Development Fund. Great result this time kids – many thanks!

Christian Aid Week is only six weeks away. As our major fundraising effort we will holding our usual Coffee Stop and Big Plant Sale on Saturday May 18th. If you are planting seeds or splitting plants over the next few weeks please think about putting some aside to sell in support of Christian Aid. We can always use more plant pots so if you have any unwanted pots of any size, or if you need more, please let me know as I may be able to help. If you could give some help on the day please speak to me. Thank you! *(Ruth Lewis)*

A message from Autumn and Fuschia

Our Daddy works at Imberhorne School and is going to Tanzania this October on the school exchange programme. In order to raise vital funds for the Minaki School in Tanzania, Daddy is having all his hair shaved off on May 10th. If you would like to sponsor him please speak to our Mummy, Hayley, who will give you the details. Thank you very much, *Autumn and Fuschia*.

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Passion Sunday 10:30am Rev Ralph Ward Holy Communion Theme: The Christian Walk Readings: Matthew 7: 1-14 Matthew 7:15-29 General Church Meeting after the service 3pm 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 Arthur Parrish for Lily and the family

Sunday 14th April Palm Sunday 10:30am Rev Clive McKie 8pm The People's Passion

Our mission at St 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

Easter Coffee Shop

Monday – Thursday 10:30 – 12:30 Come in for a drink and a Hot Cross Bun

Mon 8th South Crawley House Fellowship meeting is CANCELLED

 Wed 10th 9:30-12 Everywomen's Badminton
11am-12 Lent Course week 5 with Peter Jordan
2pm Women's Fellowship *Holy Communion* with Rev Ralph Ward
7:30-9pm Lent Course week 5 with Joyce Jordan
8pm Pound Hill House Fellowship *The Bethnal Green Disaster* with Judy Rayner at Geoff Ridgway's house
7:45pm Choir practice
10am-Noon Coffee Stop in aid of *Action for*

Children - "Break for Cake" - Bring & Buy, Homemade cake sale and an Easter themed Raffle *(Sheila Jones)*

!! TODAY !!

General Church Meeting after the service

We will be appointing stewards for the year beginning 1^{st} May. We also need to appoint 6 people, who are members of the Methodist Church, to represent the congregation on the Church Council. Please consider offering for this – it only involves two meetings a year and gives the opportunity to vote on matters of importance to our church. Our discussion topic this time will be *Will we have to move to the Hall for worship?*

FURTHER AHEAD

Women's Fellowship No meetings on 17th or 24th April, next meeting 1st May *Easter Readings and Poems* **Thurs Apr 26th 2:30pm** Furnace Green House Fellowship visit to Crawley Museum The People's Passion Next Sunday 8pm at St Paul's An event for St Paul's, the Circuit and the local community

Please help with advertising There are still some flyers that you could pass on to friends and neighbours or post through some doors in your area.

Please make sure <u>you</u> will be there to be part of the action – there's no acting required and no words to learn ahead of time. **Pray that** *The People's Passion* will show God's love for us in the sacrifice of his son Jesus to some who do not already know it.

Action for Children *Count Your Blessings* a fund-raising event during Lent:

From bake sales to sponsored walks, there are lots of great ways to raise money for Action for Children. Please come to Coffee Stop on Saturday, 13th April, 10.00am-Noon for the "Break for Cake" fund-raising event.

Cyclone Idai aid appeal until Easter we are joining the Christian Aid fundraising campaign for relief work in areas of southern Africa affected by this disaster. There will be a table in the Welcome Hall after the service where you can make your donation. If you are a UK taxpayer please use the Gift Aid form with the Christian Aid envelope to add 25% to your donation at no extra cost to yourself.

Time for Prayer

Please pray for all victims of Cyclone Idai and for the relief workers. **Continue to pray** for Julie Anscombe, Margaret Roberts, Jean Franklin, Maureen Olashore, Joyce Wallng, Stephanie, Marcy, and others with needs known to ourselves.

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