

!! GOOD NEWS & THANK YOU !!

The July Kids' Coin Clatter raised £34.92 for St Paul's development fund. The next Clatter will be on the 25th August when the money will go towards our annual Harvest-time collection for Water Aid.

The Performing Arts Project begins again on September 20th. I would like to hold a meeting for everyone who is interested in this project on Sunday 1st September in the Canteen, straight after the morning service. Please bring your drinks in so that we can keep the meeting short!

It doesn't matter if you can only help with the Performing Arts Project for half an hour a week or once a month on Fridays or if you are not sure what you can do – just come along to the meeting. All are welcome and we just appreciate anything that anyone feels able to do to support.

We would ideally like people who are prepared to help by:

- Sitting in music lessons
- Talking to visitors
- Talking to children and /or their parents/carers
- Preparing drinks
- Preparing/serving food like pizzas
- Supporting this mission project through prayer
- To find out more, come to the meeting or talk to me (*Carol Ofield*)

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Welcome to St Paul's

Sunday 18th August 2019

10:30am

Dr Stanley Jeyaraj

Theme: Grace

Readings: Exodus 33: 12-20

2 Corinthians 12: 7-10

Sunday 25th August

10:30am

Mr Eddie Newton

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.

Bibles and large print hymn books are available from the door stewards

Flowers 18th August to celebrate Hayley, Dena, Linda and the late Joan's Wedding Anniversaries

Flowers 25th August donated by Yvonne Ellard in memory of her Mum and Dad

Sunday 1st September
10:30am Rev Ralph Ward
Holy Communion

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

**Sorry – no café for a few weeks
Loaves & Fishes re-opens
Monday 9th September**

Summer breaks House Fellowships, Women's Fellowship and some other groups are taking a break during August. Would group organisers please send their next programmes to me as soon as possible for publicity in this newsletter and on the website.
(Joyce Jordan)

LOOKING AHEAD

- Thu 29 Aug 7pm Welcome service** at Redhill Methodist Church for new District Chair, Rev David Hinchliffe, preceded by tea at 5:30pm. Note the change of time from that previously announced.
Musicians needed if you'd like to play in the band for this service please let me know *(Carol Ofield)*
- Tue 3rd Sep 2pm** South Crawley House Fellowship *Planning meeting*. Venue TBA
- Wed 4th Sep 9:30am -12** Everywoman's Badminton
3pm Women's Fellowship *Memories of Summer Holidays*

**Circuit Welcome Service for Deacon Irene Tafirenyika
at St Paul's
Thursday 5th September 7:30pm**

Service conducted by District Chair, Rev David Hinchliffe
Crawley's Mayor, Cllr Raj Sharma and Henry Smith MP
will be in the congregation.

We will be offering refreshments following the service
and will need some volunteers to help with this.

If you can help please tell Carol Ofield

New course coming soon Our minister, Ralph, is busy writing a new 4-week course for us looking at developing our personal ministry through the gifts God has given each of us. At the beginning of September we'll be asking for your views about the best days and times to suit as many people as possible and the course will start in the week beginning 7th October. *(Peter Jordan)*

A request from Stephanie In September I'll be doing a sponsored nine-mile walk in aid of *Cat's Protection*. It will be spread over a few days and the idea is for participants to walk an extra nine miles over the course of a week, in addition to their day-to-day walking. I'm hoping to do mine at Wakehurst Place and on the coast. If anyone would like to support me with sponsorship, I'd be very pleased to provide further information. *(Stephanie Roberts)*

Ladies, do you know about *St Paul's Everywoman's Badminton Club*? We're a friendly group which meets on Wednesday mornings from 9:30am – 12noon for fun and exercise and we are ready to welcome new players. If you haven't played before, tuition is available. The club is taking a break in August, restarting on Wednesday 4th September. If you are interested and would like to know more please talk to me. *(Ann Brown)*

Time for Prayer

Please continue to pray for Deacon Irene, Nathan and Petra, now in their new home in Northgate.

Please pray for Jean and Geoff Rose and continue to pray for David Miller, Julie Anscombe, Jean Franklin, Maureen Olashore, Neil Roberts, Marcy, 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.

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