

!! GOOD NEWS & THANK YOUS !!

Friary lunches last Sunday we served 40 lunches to people in need in Crawley. Thanks to Frances, Irene and Carolyn for their help on the day and Dena for sandwiches. We thank God that St Paul's can be involved in this way of ministering to people in need in Crawley. *(Jill and Howard)*

Daphne Ford's Summer Coffee Shops raised £216.40 for St Paul's development fund. Many thanks to Daphne for organising these again this year and to all volunteers and customers.

Hurricane relief appeal by the Methodist Church the collection following the services on the last two Sundays raised £64.20. Many thanks.

Coffee Stop for Macmillan Nurses on 16th September raised £242. Thanks to all helpers and all who came to support it. *(Daphne Ford)*

Apologies from the editor for errors in last week's newsletter

*Flowers in church last week were donated by Carol and Martyn Ofield for their Wedding Anniversary.

*Thanks for help with Friary lunches was a week early – see above for Jill's report.

Next two newsletters – it would seem from the above that your editor needs to take a break so Geoff Manning is kindly taking over for two weeks.

During this time there will be no newsletter on the webpage.

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Crawley Methodist Church is a Registered Charity No. 1127744

St Paul's Methodist Church

Minster: Rev Sue Conroy

St Paul's website www.crawleymethodistchurch.org.uk

Sunday 24th September 2017

10:30am Rev Sue Conroy

Harvest Festival

Reading: The Parable of the Talents

based on Matthew 25: 14-30

Read by Carol Ofield

Kids' Coin Clatter towards WaterAid

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 are for Harvest Festival

Today 6:30pm

Circuit Service at Redhill Methodist Church

to recognise Helen Greaves as a
fully accredited Local Preacher

Next Sunday 1st October

10:30am Rev Melvyn Cooke

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

Loaves & Fishes

Monday to Wednesday 10:30- 1:30

Thursday 10:30 – 12:30

Friday 9:30 – 1:30pm

- Mon 25th** **7:30pm** Furnace Green House Fellowship at George Holmes' house – *The Blitz: one family's experience*
- Wed 27th** **9:30-12** Everywoman's badminton
2pm Women's Fellowship *Something beginning with B*
bring an object, a hymn etc to share
- Thurs 28th** **7:30-8pm** Prayer meeting for all at St Paul's
- Fri 29th** **7pm** Young People's Singing Group
7:45pm Choir practice
- Sun 1st** **After the service** brief planning meeting for the Messy Church Team. Please come along if you are interested in helping with this exciting mission work.

FURTHER AHEAD

- Mon 2nd Oct** **2pm South Crawley House Fellowship** Bible study on 1 Timothy, chapter 1 at Ianthe's house
- Wed 4th Oct** **7:30pm Traveller's House Fellowship**
Ecumenism with Ken Brown at the Jones' house
- Sun 8th Oct** **3-5pm Messy Church**
- Sun 15th Oct** **4pm Tea Service** with Rev Clive McKie
- Sat 21st Oct** **10pm Coffee Stop** for Action for Children

Time for Prayer

We thank God for

- The generosity of people at St Paul's shown through donating to emergency appeals such as the recent Hurricane Relief appeal.
- Support from St Paul's people for *Coffee Stops* raising money for many good causes.
- People freely giving their time to organise *Coffee Stops*, cook and serve meals at the Friary Lunches and in other ways to benefit others.

We pray for those we are supporting at Harvest time

- For *All We Can - Methodist Relief and Development*. We pray for their *Chirp for Joy* project helping families in Zimbabwe start chicken businesses. We are supporting this with our envelope collection this year.
- For *CAP (Christians Against Poverty)* who will receive our gifts of produce for those who don't always have enough to eat.
- For *WaterAid* receiving our loose change collections in the *WaterAid* bucket and from the Kids' Coin Clatter in August and September. *WaterAid* is transforming the lives of the poorest and most marginalised people by improving access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene.

Pray also for

Pray for victims of the earthquake in Mexico and for people involved in rescue work. Continue to pray for countries and people devastated by the recent hurricanes and for the work of restoration and relief.

We regret that we are unable to publish our personal prayer list on the Internet for legal reasons.