

!! GOOD NEWS & THANK YOUS !!

The Coffee Stop for Crawley Open House raised £161.50. Many thanks to all those who supported this charity. *(Daphne Ford)*

Friary lunches We served over 30 lunches at the Friary last Sunday and were also able to provide take-aways for several of those who came to enjoy later. Thanks to all who helped. *(Jill Mason)*

World Church and JMA collectors it's time to return your boxes to me for emptying please. *(Ann Brown)*

Circuit news unfortunately the application to have a Deacon appointed to our Circuit to work with St Paul's and Horley Methodist Church was unsuccessful this time. It is possible to re-apply next year. In the meantime we trust in God's strength and guidance in the ministry of these churches and the Circuit.

Red Box would the person who posted an unsigned note in the Red Box during the past week please make themselves known to one of the Leadership Team so that we can discuss your comments.

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27th January 2019

10:30am Mrs Linda Little

Theme: Do not judge!

Readings: Luke 6: 37-42

Luke 6: 43-45

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.

Sunday 3rd February

10:30am Rev Ralph Ward

Family service and Holy Communion

The Church Council meets in the Canteen

after the service - all are invited

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 and Fishes Café

Monday – Wednesday 10:30 – 1:30

Thursday 10:30 – 12:30

- Tues 29th** **7:30pm** Furnace Green House Fellowship
at the Roses' house *Rev Ralph Ward*
- Wed 30th** **9:30-12** Everywomen's Badminton
2pm Women's Fellowship *Back to Childhood* with
Margaret Richardson
- Thu 31st** **10am** Loaves and Fishes volunteers meeting
- Fri 1st** **From 4:30pm** Instrumental lessons
7pm YP Singing Group
7:45pm Choir practice

FURTHER AHEAD

- 4th Feb** **2pm** South Crawley House Fellowship
Bible study on James ch 4
- 13th Feb** **6:30pm** Pound Hill House Fellowship meal
at Shipley Bridge

Songs of Praise at St Paul's **10:30am Sunday 17 February**

This service of *Songs of Praise*, will be planned and led by a team of people from our own church. We want your contributions so if you would like to have a song, a hymn or a reading that is important to you included in the service please tell me, or drop a note in the Red Box, by the end of January. Please also be prepared to say why it is important to you. (*Carol Ofield*)

Results of Christmas and New Year 'Beastly Quiz'

There were three prize winners with all correct answers:

Jackie, Martin and Andrew Bower

Duncan Gosling

Parry Family (of Barnwood , Pound Hill)

Three runners-up with one incorrect answer:

Hilary Jones

Blackwell Clan

John Batchelder (of Burgess Hill)

After payment of prizes, St. Paul's Redevelopment Fund and St. Catherine's Hospice each receive £17.50, which includes a special donation. Many thanks to all who took part. (*Geoff Ridgway*)

Looking ahead to Easter Sunday Yes, we know we've only just had Christmas but plans for our Easter services are already underway. As you know, the five churches in our circuit are now served by only three ministers meaning that all five churches cannot have an Easter Sunday Communion service at the same time.

In discussion with Rev Ralph we decided that instead of our previous practice at St Paul's of having an early Communion Service at 8:15am and a second service with Communion at 10:30am, we will have one *Service of Easter Celebration and Holy Communion* at 9am. Ralph will then rush over to East Grinstead so that the congregation there can also have an Easter Day communion service.

We will have services on Maundy Thursday at 8pm and Good Friday at 9:30am as usual.

Leading up to Easter there will be a Lent study course for everyone to participate in, and we are planning a *Passion Play*, also for everyone, on Palm Sunday evening. More about these will be in this newsletter in the next few weeks, so watch this space!

(*St Paul's Leadership Team*)

Time for Prayer

Please pray for Jean Franklin and continue to pray for Maureen Olashore, Joyce Walling, Stephanie, George, 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.