## **!! GOOD NEWS & THANK YOUS !!**

**Last Sunday** 20 children and 5 adults from the Louise Ryrie *New Generation* performing arts group joined in with the Messy Church activities and then led our Celebration with a dance entitled "*How to fix the World*" which fitted in with our theme of Family and was enjoyed by the 10 children and 5 adults from our usual Messy Church visitors. The 13 leaders enjoyed the celebration too.

It was a wonderful afternoon, with real enthusiasm shown by all the participants for the activities that had been so well prepared by the team of helpers. Please pray that we can reach more people to join us in our August session when we'll be looking at Jesus's miraculous feeding of 5,000 people. *(Jill Mason)* 

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**Summer holiday Coffee Shops** as in previous years we will be offering drinks and cakes (no lunches) from 10-12 Mondays to Thursday for three weeks, starting on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July, while the usual Loaves and Fishes volunteers take a well-earned break during the school summer holiday. There is a sign-up list on the freestanding noticeboard in the Welcome Hall so please have a think about a day or two you could offer and claim your slots. *(Daphne and Joyce)* 

**Time to bring boxes back** please would everyone who has World Church or JMA collecting boxes please return them to me for emptying. *(Ann Brown)* 

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> Welcome to St Paul's Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2019

10:30am Mrs Helen Greaves Theme: A Pattern for Encouragement Readings: Colossians 1: 1-14 Colossians 1: 15-23

**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 wedding anniversary

Next Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July 10:30am Miss Lorraine Valler Kids' Coin Clatter Messy Church team meeting after the service

## 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



 Wed 24 9:30am-12 Everywoman's Badminton
2pm Women's Fellowship AGM, Discussion and Food Bring and Buy

## FURTHER AHEAD

- Mon 29 Jul 7:30pm Furnace Green House Fellowship *Planning meeting* at the Rose's house
- **Thu 29 Aug 6:30pm** Welcome service at Redhill Methodist Church for new District Chair, Rev David Hinchliffe, preceded by tea at 4:30pm
- **Thu 5 Sep 7:30pm** Welcome service for Deacon Irene Tafirenyika at St Paul's. Refreshments from 7pm.

More details about both events will be announced as they are known.

**Musicians needed** to join the band at the welcome service for Rev David Hinchliffe, the new District Chair, on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August at Redhill Methodist Church. The service starts at 6:30pm and there will be a practice at some time before that. Tea will be available from 4:30pm. Please let me know if you'd like to join in. *(Carol Ofield)* 

**Rev Ralph will be on leave** from tomorrow, Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>, returning Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August when he leads our worship at St Paul's.

**Latest news of Deacon Irene Tafirenyika** Irene, Nathan and Petra now expect to move into the manse mid-August once the refurbishment is completed. Irene will be on leave during August and will start work in the circuit in September. People have been asking whether Irene will be our minister. The answer is No, Ralph is our minister. As a deacon on the circuit staff Irene will be working in the circuit focusing on pastoral and community matters, mainly with St Paul's and Horley Methodist Church as we are the ones without a fulltime minister. Irene will be leading services at St Paul's monthly, her first one being on the 8<sup>th</sup> of September.

# Time for Prayer

**Please pray for** Deacon Irene Tafirenyika as she prepares to leave her present placement in Norfolk and move south to work in our circuit. Pray for her children, Nathan and Petra, leaving their familiar school and friends behind. Ask for God's blessing on them all as they settle into a new town, new school and new work. Pray that Irene will be a blessing to us, bringing fresh inspiration as we work to grow God's Kingdom in our church and town.

**Pray for** the St Paul's team serving lunches to some of Crawley's people in need at the Friary today as well as for their clients. **Please pray for** David Miller and continue praying for Julie

Anscombe, Jean Franklin, Maureen Olashore, Neil Roberts, 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.