!! GOOD NEWS & THANK YOUS !!

The Harvest Festival collections final totals were: Water Aid £134-38, including £60-57 from two Coin Clatters Harvest All We Can - £271 Many thanks to you all.

Thanks to those who came along to our Messy Church session last Sunday. Our brilliant team of leaders provided some interesting activities to tell the story of Jesus' visit to the temple when he was 12 years old. It would be lovely to have more of our morning congregation sharing the fun of Messy Church with us. Our next session is on November 10th when we will be focusing on *Love in a Box*. You would be very welcome.

St Paul's is now on Facebook! Look for the Facebook logo on our website homepage. Please make yourself a 'friend' and contribute your posts. Facebook is a great way to promote St Paul's and what's going on here so, if you are into social media, please use it. The administrator and moderator is Tunde Olashore.

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Welcome to St Paul's

Sunday 20th October 2019 10:30am Mr Edward Pender Theme: Stickability

Readings: Genesis 32: 22–31

Luke 18: 1-8

Reader today Joyce Jordan

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

After the service today there will be a short meeting of the Messy Church team to plan the session on the 10th November. If you'd like to join in do come along – new helpers very welcome.

DON'T FORGET! clocks go back 1 hour next weekend

Sunday 27th October 10:30am Rev Felicity Al-Hassan Kids' Coin Clatter

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 Café Monday-Wednesday 10:30 - 1:30 Thursday 10:30 - 12:30

7:30pm Shaped by God course session 3 at St Paul's

	with Carol and Martyn Ofield
Tues 22 nd	1:45pm St Paul's Leadership Team meeting
Wed 23rd	9:30am-12 Everywoman's Badminton
	10am Short prayer meeting open to all
	11am-12 Shaped by God course session 3 at St Paul's
	with Rev Ralph
	2pm Women's Fellowship <i>The Bible Society</i> with Max
	Perry and Ann Phillipson
Thu 24 th	2:30-3:30pm <i>Shaped by God</i> course session 3
	at St Paul's with Joyce Jordan
Fri 25 th	4:30-7:30pm Performing Arts activities
	7pm Young People's Singing Group

Mon 21st

LOOKING AHEAD

Mon 28 Oct – Fri 1 st Nov Loaves and Fishes closed for half-term
Mon 28 Oct 7:30pm Furnace Green House Fellowship

Wed 30 Oct 2pm Women's Fellowship Paper games with Margaret Richardson

Sat 9 Nov 7pm Quiz Night at United Reform Church, Worth Park Avenue, Pound Hill to raise funds for *Refugees Welcome*, *Crawley*. For more details pick up a leaflet or see the poster on the Charities noticeboard in the Welcome Hall or ask Ruth Lewis

This Christmas – yes, we're thinking about it already, we will be supporting *Love in a Box*. The idea is to take a shoe box, cover it with Christmas wrapping paper and fill it with small inexpensive gifts suitable for a child. If you can't do a whole box, donations of gifts that could be placed in boxes would be gratefully received as we will be putting some together as a Messy Church activity in November. Leaflets explaining the scheme were given out last Sunday. If you didn't get one, there are more copies in the Welcome Hall and you can see it from the *Love in a Box* panel on our website homepage. Rev Ralph told us how successful he has seen this project being and how rewarding it is for the children who receive these boxes as their only Christmas gift and for us, the givers. We are declaring 24th November *Shoe Box Sunday*, so all boxes need to be at St Paul's by then as they will be collected the next day. If you have any questions please see Carol Ofield who will be happy to explain more.

Time for Prayer

Please pray for our church and its leadership. Ask God to give us a clear vision for our work and mission.

Pray for the *Shaped by God* course and for all who are taking part. Ask God to show us how to use the gifts He has given each of us to grow our church and His Kingdom.

Pray for Deacon Irene as she gets to know about our circuit and its churches and communities, particularly in Crawley and Horley.

Pray for the family of Michael Howlett as they mourn his loss.

Please continue to pray for Lorraine Valler, Wendy and Joyce Walling, Daniel Okun, Jean and Geoff Rose, Jean Franklin, Maureen Olashore, 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.