

!! GOOD NEWS & THANK YOU !!

None sent in this week it would be good to hear about your significant birthdays and anniversaries, successes and reasons to thank God and be joyful. With everything going on just now we need to share the good things.

Do you work with children or vulnerable adults?

If you do and you received Safeguarding training in or before 2016, you may need to do the Refresher Safeguarding Training to be held at St Paul's on Tuesday 14th May. Please put this date in your diary. More details will be coming shortly. If you are unsure whether this applies to you, please talk to me. *(Carol Ofield)*

Performing Arts Project

We are now two thirds of the way through the year and unfortunately, due to illness, we urgently need some help on Friday evenings for safeguarding support. Bring your knitting or enjoy a read as you sit in music lessons (that's all we ask as it gives an additional adult to comply with Methodist Safeguarding Rules). The dates are: 6th, 13th, 27th March; 3rd and 24th April; 1st, 15th, 22nd, 29th May; 5th, 12th, 19th June. If you can offer any time on any of these Friday evenings between 5-7pm, we would really appreciate it so please tell Martyn or Carol Ofield

Parking at the church please do not park on the yellow cross-hatched areas of the church car park. They are there for good reason so please respect them. There is public parking at the shops opposite and there are no restrictions on roadside parking on Sundays.

Next newsletter Please send items by phone to 01293 529135 or email joyce@jordanpa.plus.com by 10am on Thursday.

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Welcome to St Paul's

Sunday 8th March 2020

10:30am

Rev Clive McKie

Theme: The Word of God

Readings: Exodus 24: 3-8

Luke 24: 13-35

3pm Messy activities for kids

3:30pm Concert and

informal worship with Rev Ralph

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 welcomers

Flowers today donated by Jo Tree for Nanny Lily

Sunday March 15th

10:30am Deacon Irene Tafirenyika

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

- Mon 9 Mar 7:30pm** Lent study *Pillars of Faith* session 2 at St Paul's
- Wed 11 Mar 9:30am-12** Everywoman's Badminton
11am Lent study *Pillars of Faith* session 2 at St Paul's
2pm Women's Fellowship *Burley's Wood*
8pm Pound Hill House Fellowship *Something Wild*
- Thu 12 Mar 2:30pm** Lent study *Pillars of Faith* session 2 at the Jordans' house
- Fri 13 Mar 4:30-7pm** Performing Arts activities
7pm Young People's Singing Group
7:45pm Choir practice

LOOKING AHEAD

- Mon 16 Mar 7:30pm** Lent study *Pillars of Faith* 3 at St Paul's
- Wed 18 Mar 11am** Lent study *Pillars of Faith* 3 at St Paul's
2pm Women's Fellowship *Celebrating Spring*
- Thu 19 Mar 2:30pm** Lent study *Pillars of Faith* 3 at the Jordans'
- Sat 21 Mar 10am-12** Coffee Stop for CoCo's Foundation

Mothering Sunday 22nd March. On that day will be the opportunity for the men of the church to honour all the ladies in our church family. In order to prepare for that, all men who would like to are invited to come along to the church the day before, Saturday 21st, to prepare flowers to be distributed by the children. Please

come along at 9.00 am or whenever you can after that, to help.
(Terry Webb)

Hot Potatoes some people have asked whether there will be more of these discussions on the trickier questions we have about our faith. The next one will be on Tuesday 31st March when Rev Ralph will introduce the subject of Cults. The meeting starts at 7:30pm with refreshments and time for a chat with friends from 7:15.

Christians Against Poverty (CAP) the February newsletter and prayer requests are posted on the Charities noticeboard in the Welcome Hall. Please take a few moments to read these and pray.

Jean Franklin at this time there is still no information about funeral arrangements for Jean.

Time for Prayer

Today is International Women's Day pray for all women who live under political, religious or cultural oppression; for women who struggle for equality of pay or recognition in the workplace; for women who are victims of exploitation.

Pray that the team planning the replacement of the Sanctuary roof and other essential work use the legacy money wisely

Pray for the family of Jean Franklin.

Continue to pray for Uvonne Madakudya, Linda Edwards, Jill Mason, Janet Ockwell, Lorraine Valler, Daniel Okun, Jean and Geoff Rose, Maureen Olashore 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.