



CHURCH ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

Making Disciples - Transforming Lives & Communities

SUNDAY 10 MARCH 2019

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP TODAY

If you are new to the area or visiting us for the first time, please make yourself known to one of our Stewards so that we can welcome you personally.

10.30 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP led by Revd Stephen Heath
Including the celebration of Holy Communion

Organist: Brian Grimes

Door Stewards: Team 3

Coffee Rota: Marion Brett, Linda Butcher & Elaine Watts

7.00 p.m. FRESH Expressions at Fairhaven Methodist Church
led by Revd Sylvester Deigh
Fresh Bible Month: James
Refreshments from 6.30 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY – 17 MARCH 2019

10.30 a.m. ALL AGE WORSHIP led by Ms Judith Smith

Music: Church Road Music Group

Door Stewards: Team 4

Coffee Rota: Sheila Johnson & Shirley Grundon

7.00 p.m. FRESH Expressions at Fairhaven Methodist Church
led by Mr Ray Lea
Fresh Bible Month: James
Refreshments from 6.30 p.m.

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PRAYER

*Lord God, on this first Sunday in Lent,
we remember the trials and temptations of your son Jesus Christ
in his journey through the wilderness, and how he triumphed over all.
In our prayers we think of the difficult journeys in life
encountered by so many people in the world.
We pray that in their different times of need,
they may find discernment to see their way ahead,
and strength to overcome whatever problems they face.
We pray that faith may be deepened in this period of Lent,
and all may walk in the light of the Lord. Amen.*

If you would like someone to pray with you, please speak with one of the Stewards.
A box for your prayer requests can be found at the rear of the Church.

THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY 13 MARCH

LADIES FELLOWSHIP at 2.15 p.m.

Today our speaker is Heather Slater and her talk is entitled "My life as nanny to the royals in Saudi Arabia". The Drive ladies are joining us today. All ladies welcome.

THURSDAY 14 MARCH

'Our Calling' - a Lent course for 2019. This will be running each Thursday morning at Church Road from 11am to 12noon over the 5 weeks of Lent. Our calling is to respond to the gospel of God's love in Christ and to live out our discipleship in worship and mission. It does this through Worship, Learning and Caring, Service and Evangelism. Each week will follow one of those themes. It is an opportunity for Bible study, prayer and discussion so please come along and join us.

BEETLE DRIVE

Starr Hills Amenity Committee invites you to a Beetle Drive at Fairhaven Methodist Church at 2.00 p.m. Entrance is £1.50 to include tea/coffee and biscuits and there will be a prize for the winner and a booby prize for the loser. Come and have a fun afternoon with us, tickets available from Barbara Knowles.

SATURDAY 16 MARCH

HEYHOUSES COMMUNITY CHOIR SINGING WORKSHOP under the energetic and enthusiastic leadership of Ian Crawford, Director of Music at the King's School, Macclesfield, will be here at Church Road at 9.30 a.m. for a 10.00 a.m. start and will finish at 3.00 p.m. Tickets are £12. See Anne Mayes for details and booking info.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY 22 MARCH

EASTER CHOCOLATE BINGO EGG-STRAVAGANZA!

Come and enjoy some springtime fun with other members of the congregation, families and friends in the run-up to Easter. Pull up a chair and try your hand at a game of chocolate bingo! The evening starts at 6.30 p.m. Admission by ticket, £3 per adult and £2 per child. However, once you are into the swing of things, you may choose to enter an extra round on the night for a further £1 per person and the chance to win a sp-egg-tacular Easter hamper! Refreshments will also be on sale during the course of the evening. Tickets are available now from any member of the community hub fundraising team or the church stewards.

Please also bear in mind our appeal for Easter eggs for this special evening. All donations can be left in the church kitchen and will be gratefully collected for the event - by **Sunday 17 March** please. Volunteers are also sought to bake a few cakes for the evening as well – please speak to Barbara Knowles.

OTHER NOTICES

CHURCH STEWARDS At the end of April, three of our Vestry team will come to the end of their terms of office and we will be looking for two or three new members to join the team and support Stephen in his ministry at Church Road. We ask you to think prayerfully about these positions and if you want to know more about what is involved, please speak to one of the vestry team who will be happy to discuss this with you.

DOOR STEWARDS

A new rota for door steward duties, covering the next six months from April, is now available from Richmond Neale. Will stewards please check their duties as some of the teams have been re-organised and some new volunteers added?

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2019 Anyone who can help to collect in the 2019 House to House Collection in St Annes in the week commencing 12 May, please contact Elaine Watts (Tel: 722302). This applies to both new collectors and anyone who collected last year. If your road is not normally included in the House to House, would you be willing to give an envelope to friends or neighbours in your road asking them to return the envelope to you or if you live in a block of flats would you be willing to deliver envelopes in your block and again ask them to return the envelope to you if they would like to contribute? A note to this effect would be enclosed in each envelope.

DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

All activities take place in the Church unless stated otherwise.

MONDAY 11 March

7.30 p.m. Movement to Music

TUESDAY 12 March

9.30 – 11.30 a.m. Bumblebees

6.00 p.m. Brownies

WEDNESDAY 13 March

9.45 a.m. Movement to Music

2.15 p.m. Ladies' Fellowship

THURSDAY 14 March

11.00 a.m. Lent Course Week 1

2.00 p.m. Beetle Drive at Fairhaven Methodist Church

FRIDAY 15 March

6.00 p.m. Friday Fun Club

SATURDAY 16 March

9.30 a.m. – 3 p.m. Heyhouses Community Choir Singing Workshop

Our offering last Sunday amounted to £1 114.17

Thank you for your continuing support for our ministry and mission.



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