

DIARY

Please let me know of any errors or omissions. *Don*

2019

April

- Sun 28th 10.30 am Mrs Jackie Russell: All-age Worship
6.00 pm Rev Tony Perry
Tues 30th 2.30 pm Carers Group in the Porch (see notices)
7.00 pm Food for Thought, Fellowship Group at the home of Lindsay & Martin, see notices

May

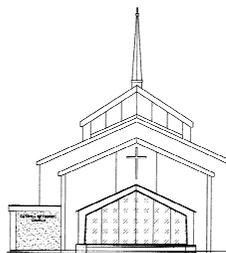
- Wed 1st 1.00 pm Toddlers' Club (ends 3.00 pm)
Thurs 2nd 10.30 am Knitting and Crafts Group (ends 12.00 pm)
6.30 pm Men's Choir
7.00 pm The Choir rehearsal
Fri 3rd 10.00 am Coffee@CMCC:
Sat 4th 10.00 am Coffee@CMCC:
Sun 5th 10.30 am Rev Julia M Pellett
Gifts for the Basement will be received
6.00 pm Rev Richard Wilde at Bromsgrove
Tues 7th 10.00 am Prayer Group in the Porch
Wed 8th 1.00 pm Toddlers' Club (ends 3.00 pm)
Thurs 9th 10.00 am Rendezvous: AGM, followed by
Being a Coach Driver, Robert Trigger
6.30 pm Men's Choir
7.00 pm The Choir rehearsal
Fri 10th 10.00 am Coffee@CMCC:
Sat 11th 10.00 am Coffee@CMCC:
Sun 12th 10.30 am Ms Marcianne Uwimana
6.00 pm Mr Graeme Russell
Tues 14th 7.30 pm Young at Heart:
Do you know what you are texting? Ms J Hartrey
Wed 15th 1.00 pm Toddlers' Club (ends 3.00 pm)
Thurs 16th 10.30 am Knitting and Crafts Group (ends 12.00 pm)
Fri 17th 10.00 am Coffee@CMCC:
Sat 18th 9.30 am Christian Aid Sale and Church Spring Clean

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Welcome To Catshill Methodist Church Centre

Notices 28th April 2019

Worship God Welcome everyone Serve the Community
Be a strong loving Christian presence in our community as we:-
Welcome everyone, encouraging and nurturing the faith of all.

If you have recently moved into the area or are visiting, we welcome you. Our minister is Rev Anne Smith (tel: 570437).

If you would like a visit from a minister, or know of someone who would appreciate a visit, please contact one of the stewards.

10.00 am - 10.20 am Prayer Meeting in the Lounge: All welcome

- Preachers: 10.30 am Mrs Jackie Russell: All-age Worship
6.00 pm Rev Tony Perry
- Organists: 10.30 am James Knott
6.00 pm Judith Brown
- Worship Leader: 10.30 am Sheila Collins
- Stewards: 10.30 am Lindsay Peniston & Pete Yarrington
6.00 pm Brenda Tristram
- Vestry Steward: 10.30 am Gillian Stuart
- Screen: 10.30 am Alan Ryder
- Door Steward: 10.30 am Sue Yarrington
- Crèche: 10.30 am Tricia Shephard & Pat Eley
- Flowers: Elizabeth Hilderley
- Sound: 10.30 am Pete Yarrington
- Tea/Coffee: ~11.30 am Hilary Ryder & Jan Martin

ACTIVITIES this week

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	7.00 pm	Food for Thought, Fellowship Group at the home of Lindsay & Martin, see notices
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- * Collections last Sunday totalled £304.70, including £188.00 from the envelopes. Giving by direct debit was £321.00.
- * If you know of anyone who would value our prayers, please write his or her name in the Intercessions Book in the Porch (assuming you have their permission for them to be prayed for publicly), AND add your name after the entry.

WORSHIP SUNDAY 5th May:

10.00 am - 10.20 am Prayer Meeting in the Lounge: All welcome

Preachers:	10.30 am	Rev Julia M Pellett
	6.00 pm	Rev Richard Wilde at Bromsgrove
Organists:	10.30 am	Judith Brown
Stewards:	10.30 am	Miriam Bedford & Jim Smith
Vestry Steward:	10.30 am	Rita Lacey
Screen:	10.30 am	John Lacey
Door Steward:	10.30 am	Gillian Stuart
Sunday Club:	10.30 am	Jess Knott & Eileen Kirby
Crèche:	10.30 am	tba
Flowers:		Jean Poyner
Sound:	10.30 am	Jim Smith
Tea/Coffee:	~11.30 am	Di Morgan & Helen Lynskey
Traidcraft:	~11.30 am	Brenda Tristram

Food for Thought

This Fellowship Group will meet at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 30th April at the home of Lindsay and Martin. The April topic for discussion is "Do the needs of the many outweigh the needs of the few?"

All are welcome. If you intend to come along, it would be helpful if you could sign on the church notice board or call on 872951 as this helps with catering.

Refujuice

You are now aware that Refugee families from Syria are now living in the Bromsgrove and Redditch areas. As a way of making an income to help support themselves, they have been given the opportunity to make their own apple juice to sell to the public. They do this by gleaning apples from the large commercial orchards in Gloucestershire. The apples are then taken to Pershore Agricultural College, where they are made into apple juice, under supervision from the College and under the strictest rules for food production.

The resulting juice is top quality and made to last two years. It costs £3.00 per bottle (less than a bottle of wine) and 100% of the profit goes to support the local Refugee families and the Refugee camps in Europe.

It has been agreed that we can sell this delicious healthy juice on the first Sunday of the month - our Fair Trade Sunday.

I will have some bottles for sale on Sunday 5th May so, as you buy your Fair Trade food, please also treat yourself to Refujuice.

I have put a poster on the noticeboard.

Thank you,

Carole

Rota

I shall shortly be compiling the rota for June, July and August. Please could I have any unavailable dates no later than

TODAY 28th April. Many thanks,

Jan

Church Without Walls activity 1 - Art exhibition

The art exhibition - entitled "Proud of Catshill" - is planned for Friday & Saturday June 7th & 8th between 10 am and 12 pm, and between 2 pm and 4 pm, both days. We are hoping to have the coffee shop open for all 4 sessions but also need at least one volunteer to act as the "receptionist" - basically to welcome people, explain what's where (e.g. non regulars might need to be told about where the loo is etc) and hand out (and receive back) voting forms for the exhibits. I will put a schedule on the notice board with one hour slots - if anyone willing to volunteer can sign up (you can volunteer for more than one slot!) it would be greatly appreciated.

Church Without Walls activity 2 - Midsummer Madness

The village hall are putting on a "Midsummer Madness" event in the hall on Saturday 22nd June. We have agreed to have a stall selling cakes, any bric-a-brac we have left over from the last "bring and buy" (at this stage we are not asking for any more - we already have enough!) and giving out church leaflets. We don't have timings yet but if you are willing to make a cake, or cakes, please speak to Lindsay, and if you are willing to help man the stall for an hour or so, please speak to me and I will organise a rota once we have more details. Thanks,

Dave

Clothing Collection for Refugees

There will be another clothing collection for Refugees in Calais and the Continent on Saturday 4th May.

If you have items that you wish to donate, including shoes (robust), rucksacks, sun hats, blankets and sleeping bags and hygiene items, please put them in the large box near the window in the porch.

Thank you,

Carole

Book of Remembrance

This week, from our Book of Remembrance, we remember

Margaret Jenkins

CTiB praying for each other

Please pray for St Peter's Church & Mgr. Graham Wilkinson

Collect for Today

Alpha and Omega,
our beginning and our end,
you break through the locks
of gated communities
and hardened hearts:
accept our doubts,
heal our desire for certainty
and, by your Spirit's gentle touch,
make us a people
forgiven and forgiving;
through Jesus Christ, the Giver of Peace.

Amen

Malcolm Brookes running London Marathon for Dementia Revolution

Our past minister, Malcolm Brookes, will be running the London Marathon on April 28th for Dementia Revolution, despite having Dementia himself! He hopes to raise £2,000 for the charity. Malcolm, now 78, is the oldest runner to clock 100 marathons (London will be his 131st!) and he was recently featured in the Sunday People telling his story (with some excellent pictures). You can still view it on line (type in <https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/oldest-brit-run-100-marathons-14309193>.amp to the internet to see it). BBC TV were also due to interview him at 8.30 am before the race starts.

If you wish to make a donation, the sponsorship link is <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/MalcolmBrookes>

Easter Offering

The annual Easter Offering envelopes are currently being given out, for handing in over the Easter period.

Easter Offering is a joint partnership with MWiB (Methodist Women in Britain) and the Methodist Church World Mission Fund.

The WMF helps to support Mission Partners working overseas, nationals in mission appointments, and overseas students in ministry training.

It also allows the church to make grants to Partner Churches for special projects.

The Circuit dedication service for the Easter Offerings will be held on Sunday 19th May at 6.00 pm at St Andrew's Methodist Church, Church Hill, Redditch B98 9AA and the Guest Speaker will be Ms Rachel Leather. Everyone is most welcome to come and enjoy this special service.

Carole

Carers' Group 2.30 pm Tuesday 30th April

We are throwing Carers' Group open on Tuesday as I think that others, with our usual members, will enjoy hearing from a lady who was a small Jewish child lucky to have been on one of the kinder trains to get her away from Germany prior to the outbreak of World War Two.

She has an interesting story to tell, including how she ended up as a Methodist!

Prayer Group

Please note that, due to holidays, the Prayer Group will recommence after Easter on Tuesday 7th May and continue fortnightly as usual.

Angela Jones

Food Safety

The Church Council has taken advice from the Food Standards Agency. We are still able to provide home-made cakes and food for events we organise on the premises. There are 14 recognised food allergens, some of which you might find surprising. Therefore all ingredients in home-made food that is brought to the church premises must be noted and a form should be filled in. You can get a copy of a leaflet about the allergens from the coffee bar. There is also a form with tick-boxes to fill in if you are likely to bring food to the premises. The tick-boxes highlight which allergens might be in the food so that those who have allergies can act accordingly.

You can make a photocopy of the ingredients in a recipe or bring the recipe books to photocopy at church. You can also write down the ingredients (including any tinned or dried goods you might mix in). Please ask someone at the coffee bar if you would like a leaflet and a form. Thank you.

Lindsay Peniston
(for Church Council)

Advance Notice Christian Aid Sale and Church Spring Clean Saturday 18th May 9.30 am till 12.30 pm

Friends,
As usual we will be supporting Christian Aid with a coffee morning in the church which will include bacon and egg sandwiches, and a bring and buy and plant stall.
All the proceeds will be for Christian Aid.

The management committee have also agreed to organise a spring clean of our premises and grounds, excluding the church, at the same time. So if you can spare a little time to help in this you can be rewarded with bacon butties! Please try and reserve this date.

Ian Jones

{Christine appreciated your offer of help, but thousands will benefit from your donations to Christian Aid!}