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NOTICES 14 August 2022

CHURCH NEWS

On Sunday 14th August, Imogen Davis will be baptised during the morning service. Cate and Roger would love to share this occasion with as many members of the Trinity congregation as possible. There will be cake served after the service.

WaterAid: "whoever drinks the water that I shall give him will never be thirsty again" (John 4: 14): our total is now £866.50 (including Gift Aid). Wonderful.

Lynnette Seymour-Jackson & Malcolm Newton

Trinity Prayer Book: The Prayer Book will be available again each week, beginning this Sunday, August 14th.

We shall use it with the same guidelines as before, and the same invitation in the Order of Service about making entries:

There is an Open Prayer Book in the Welcome Area for you to enter the name of any situation or person you wish to remember during the service. The book will be brought forward to be part of the Prayers of Intercession. There is also a Prayer Box for requests which, for any reason, need to remain confidential, and each individual will be prayed for by name later in the week, and in confidence, by the Prayer Group.

Please remember, if you're entering a request in the book, to sign (legibly) to confirm that the individual concerned is happy to be named during the service.

We shall also remember again, as part of our prayers, **local organizations and other churches**. If you'd like to suggest an organization or a church, or to check if they're on the existing list, please have a word with Alastair or Malcolm.

Prayer Support Group Before COVID this group met every Friday from 10.00-10.30 in the Quiet Room. When we were unable to meet in person we prayed at the same time in our own homes for people needing support in our own congregation as well as current events in this country and around the world. The Prayer Support Book and Prayer Box which could not be used because of COVID precautions have now been reinstated, so please use them for

your prayer requests as indicated in the "Trinity Prayer Book" notice in today's notice sheet. So far as I am aware, only Margaret Langsford and I have been praying together on Friday mornings, though others may have joined us. It would be good to involve more people so if you feel that you would like to contribute in this way to the life of the church on a regular or occasional basis, please let Margaret or me know, so that we can share with you the names and concerns in the Prayer Support book and box.

Ruth Dams

OHCT Ride and Stride – Saturday 10 September

Sponsor forms for Lynette and Jackie, Mobility Scooter riding for TRINITY CHURCH, can be signed in the welcome area. Please could you sponsor them in their attempt to visit as many churches as possible? (50% of money raised will be returned to Trinity).

Also if you can **spare 1 hour to welcome** other Riders and Striders, please put your name on the list in the Welcome area. THANK YOU in advance.

Alastair

Circuit Plan: the Circuit Plan for September – November is now available. It will be posted to the online portal, and hard copies available in church.

Triangle: The Deadline the for September Triangle Friday 19th August

Can you help? Cakes needed

“Children Heard and Seen” is a charity that the Abingdon Mothers’ Union have been supporting for several years. They help families affected by imprisonment. From 19-21 August they are having a residential weekend at Hill End Camp near Cumnor for 200 attendees, most of whom are children. Abingdon MU have been asked to provide cakes, which is a big ask! We need help with this. If you are able to make some cakes, by 18 August please, your support would be much appreciated. For more information and offers of cake, please contact Elizabeth Dawson (Abingdon 526415, e.m.dawson.15 @outlook.com)

See also page 4 of :

https://abingdonparish.org.uk/wincontent/Candle_2022_Issue6vfinalpdf.pdf

DENOMINATION NEWS

Enough to Live? Leaders of both the Methodist & URC churches have joined former Prime Minister Gordon Brown and over 50 faith groups, charities and political leaders, in calling on the government to take urgent action to bridge the cost of living gap faced by the lowest income families.

The call responds to a report, written by poverty expert and Loughborough University Professor Donald Hirsch which reveals the gap between the support the government is currently offering to households and the anticipated rise in living costs.

Read more: <https://jpit.uk/enoughtolive>

Former Prime Minister Gordon Brown talks to President of the Methodist Conference, the Revd Graham Thompson, about the **cost of living crisis in the UK**.

[Listen here](#)

The **URC's Jubilee celebrations** will be happening in London on **Saturday 1st October**. They include a Service of Thanksgiving and Celebration at Methodist Central Hall Westminster, Open Church House events and a Walk to Westminster.

Details of events that day can be found at

<https://urc.org.uk/who-we-are/our-50th-anniversary/50th-anniversary-tickets/>

If you can help volunteer for a part of the day - either stewarding, or serving communion - then please contact the communications team at 50@urc.org.uk

DIARY DATES

Sunday 14th August Christian Aid Summer Afternoon Tea, 2.30pm: Following a very successful Tea Party in August 2021, the Christian Aid Task Group invites you to join them for Afternoon Tea in the garden of St Ethelwold's House between 2.30 and 4.00 pm. Cream scones and cake will be served and donations invited for the work of Christian Aid with some of the poorest communities of the World.

Sunday 21 August, Piano Recital, 3pm St Michael & All Angels Church, Park Road. Mami Shikimori plays favourites including, Beethoven's 'Appassionata' Sonata, Tchaikovsky's 'Chanson Triste' and Gershwin's 'I Got Rhythm'. Tickets, £12 adults, children free, from the Bookstore, Bury Street or at the door. Refreshments included.

Sunday 21 August: Come and explore the fauna and flora of the Chilterns in a led nature walk at the Aston Rowant Nature Reserve from 4.30 to 6.00 pm to see a range of flowers, birds and butterflies. Stout shoes/boots are recommended as it is quite steep. Children welcome. Parking at the Cowleaze Wood Car Park near Stokenchurch, just off Junction 5 of the M40. Cost of joining the walk is £8.00. Proceeds to the Abingdon Passion Play. Enquiries to Sally Mears at smears@gmail.com.

WORSHIP

- Sunday 14 August:** **10:30 Morning Worship**
with Holy Communion and Baptism led by Revd Ian Griffiths
Sunday 21 August: **10:30 Morning Worship** led by Malcolm Newton

In the Circuit

Orders of Service for **Worship at Home** are made available on-line or in hard copy.
Keith leads an on-line Zoom service, Sunday mornings at 10:30am. To join or find out more
please contact him - keith.underhill@methodist.org.uk.

A prayer for those receiving exam results

Lord, we come to you remembering all of those students in this country and around the world who went through examinations this year, and as we are now approaching results day for all of those students, we thank you for all the hard work, effort and dedication that they have put in over the past year; for all of the wonderful new skills that they have learnt.

We praise you for being a God who always looks out for us and wants the best for us, in all situations and circumstances. In this period of waiting for exam results, we pray for comfort and rest for all of those who are looking forward to the coming changes in their lives.

Amen

Daud Irfan, Youth President 2021-22



Image: Alastair Fear