



Welcome to Stoneleigh Methodist Church

Welcome to all, especially any here for the first time, as we worship God together

Today's Service

Sunday 14 January 2018

**10:30am: Holy Communion /
Covenant with the Rev Emma Aikins**

We welcome Emma and thank her for
leading our Service this morning.

Hymns: StF 564, 546, 549, 556, 402

*Readings: Genesis 7:24, 8:1-4, 10-11, 15-16, 20, 9:1, 12-13
Hebrews 9:11-15, 1 Corinthians 11:23-26*

Our Thanks this morning to:

Our Stewards - Marion & Ernie, Debbie (Communion)

Our Welcome team - Ruth and Christine, Music - Hilda

Sound - Robin, Refreshments - DIY/Auriol

Flowers - Church

We have an audio loop system, large print hymn books and bibles, and a wheelchair - also our current Church magazine and our information leaflet about activities at the Church Centre - just ask the Welcome Team at the door for anything you need.

Our Pew Collection this morning is for Church and Circuit purposes.

Refreshments will be served after the Service in the Link Room..

Prayers

Please pray for Emma leading our Service here this morning.

Please pray for the Members of Wimpole Road Methodist Church, and pray also for those of our Church family who are unwell or finding their mobility limited, and consider whether they might welcome a call or visit from friends.

Notices

Circuit Notice. As many people will be aware, Rev Margaret Adams is due to retire in the summer of 2018. Over the last few months the Circuit Stewards have been working with the Leadership Team of the Lantern Church to find a new minister to fill the vacancy that will be created by her departure.

This process has now been successfully completed, and we are happy to report that (subject to approval by the Methodist Conference next June) Deacon Dawn Canham is appointed to serve in the Wimbledon Circuit from September 2018, with pastoral charge of The Lantern Church. Dawn is currently serving in the Melton Mowbray Circuit. We look forward to her joining our Circuit later this year.

Angela Linton-Smith - for the Circuit Stewards

The Rev Margaret Adams is our preacher for our Service next week and would appreciate transport from her home in Raynes Park; if you are able to help can you let me know by 14th January please? Also if you are able to help with the return journey.
Denise

By CTE - Easy Access Church, a place where all are welcomed, included and encouraged. A bit of a new venture - a short church service especially geared for those with learning disabilities - followed by refreshments.

The first service will be on Sunday 28th January 2018, 3:00pm at All Saints Church Hall, Fulford Road, West Ewell KT19 9QY. All are welcome - please spread the word.

For more information please contact Paula Smith, paula.smith@mybroadband.com, 020 8337 2957.

The **Flower Rota** is looking rather bare so if anyone wants to add their name and provide flowers for worship please do so. Don't forget, you can buy and arrange them yourself, or ask me to do so on your behalf. Thank you - *Lesley*

Wimbledon Circuit is in need of a **Circuit Safeguarding Officer** – anyone interested should contact revmargaretjadams@gmail.com – there is a Job Description on our main Notice Board.

Lent Bible Studies this year will start after the Sunday services from 18th February, and finish by 12:15pm (there will be a coffee/tea/biscuit/sandwich break) – full details in the next 'Link', due out at the end of this month.

In case you missed it . . .

Tuesday Fellowship will NOT take place on 16th January as this is the day of Barbara Clarke's funeral and many of our members wish to attend; several others will be absent for different reasons, so we have decided in memory of Barbara, who was Secretary of Fellowship for so many years, that we will cancel this particular meeting. Please can you pass this information to any members who may not take the NewsSheet. Thank you. *Pat P*

Dementia Talk. On Thursday 18th January 2018, at 2:00pm, there will be a talk on Dementia in the Link Room.

Claire Robertson, has many years of experience having worked for the Alzheimer's Society for 17years; she is now a Trustee of Dementia 1st and has kindly agreed to come and talk about the effects of Dementia on the person affected and their carers, She will also give advice on dealing with situations that may occur when you have someone with Dementia in your group/church.

We have asked Claire along as Stoneleigh is starting a singing afternoon for people with Dementia and their carers next year, but I thought that it might be of interest to others so anyone is welcome. No charge but a donation to Claire's charity would be welcomed. For further information phone me on 020 8393 4116, *Lesley*.

TWAM - Tools with a Mission – Collection on 1st February 2018. As many of you know this organisation sends unwanted tools (including power tools) and sewing/knitting equipment overseas to help create skills opportunities. Tools can be old and rusty but NOT broken; they will be revamped and sent on to help others, so please look out those unused tools or sewing bits and pieces (even sewing and knitting machines). A full list of items they can use is on the main notice board opposite the Link room doors. If you can help in any way please contact or bring your donations to the church and leave them in on the shelves in the cupboard in room 1. Thank you. *Lesley*

The coming week at SMC

Monday 15th January

Conquest Art - 2:00-4:00pm, in the Link Room

Monday Group - 8:00pm at Helen's

Tuesday 16th January

Tuesday Fellowship - NO MEETING today

Barbara Clarke's funeral - 3:30pm at Randall's Park

Crematorium, everyone is welcome

Breathing Space - 6:30-8:00pm in the Church

Wednesday 17th January

Finance Committee - 12:30pm in the New Room

Thursday 18th January

Prayer Group - 9:30am in the New Room

Carers & Toddlers - 10:00-11:30am in the Link Room

Dementia Talk - 2:00-4:00pm in the Link Room. No charge but donations to the speaker's charity welcome.

Sunday 21st January 2018

Morning Worship - 10:30am, led by the Rev Margaret Adams

Stewards - Jeananne and Debbie, Welcome team - Ken & Brenda

Music - Jean, Sound - Robin

Refreshments -Gloria, Flowers - Dee

Contact Details

Contact Stewards: Marion Baker (020 8393 4473) and Debbie Woolford (020 8715 8529) - contact@stoneleighmethodist.church..

Website: stoneleighmethodist.church - full details of all groups and activities, including the Church Centre usage calendar.

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