



Welcome to Stoneleigh Methodist Church

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

Today's Service

Sunday 16th September 2018

10:30am: Morning Worship with Richard Graham

We welcome Richard and thank him for
leading our Service this morning.

Hymns: StF 28, 424, 410, 364

Readings: James 3, Mark 8:27-29

Our Thanks this morning to:

Our Stewards - Jeananne and Norma A

Our Welcome team - Ken & Brenda

Music - Vivienne, Sound - Tom

Refreshments - Gloria, Flowers - Denise (*from local sources*)

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 today is for the work of the Methodist Church.

Refreshments will be served after the Service.

Prayers

Please pray for Richard leading our Service this morning, for Emma at Raynes Park this morning and at Ruxley this evening, and David at Martin Way this morning.

Please 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

Church Flowers. Thank you to all that regularly contribute towards the flowers that make the church look so lovely each week. We have some large gaps in the rota between now and Christmas so please, if you are able to organise flowers for one week please put your name down. As I have said before the church is quite happy to pay for flowers but knowing that somebody else is bringing them does save me another job so I am happy to reimburse you if you give me the bill. Many thanks, *Lesley*

Harvest Quiz at Ruxley - 6th October, poster on the notice board and SMC are invited!

Good Friday 2019 19th April

The Epsom Passion Play has taken place opposite the Fire Station, down Epsom High Street and into the Market Square for the last 6 years, building on a much longer tradition of a service and procession in the town.

It is an excellent team effort across the Christian Churches in Epsom and a dynamic and powerful portrayal of the Christian narrative of Good Friday and Easter, witnessing to the people of Epsom who come in large numbers

If we are to continue to stage this in its current form, we need to find more actors.

We have a meeting of *Churches Together in Epsom* in October and will decide by the end of September as to whether this production is viable, since currently we do not have enough potential performers to mount a successful portrayal.

Those who have taken part in previous years have found it a valuable experience and have acted convincingly. For some it is

their first venture into performing. Rehearsals will be on Monday evenings from mid-March.

If you can volunteer to act please reply to Sue Curtis by the end of September. sacsac@ntlworld.com 01372 210492.

It would be a shame to cancel due to lack of support.

Surrey Churches Preservation Trust. Many thanks to those who sponsored me for the Ride & Stride event last weekend; the total has been passed on the Trust who will return 50% to SMC in due course. More importantly, should we make a grant application to them in future (as we did in 2003), they will look kindly upon us (well, more so than if we had not raised anything!) *Robin*

Recycling - don't forget our blue bin outside the Link room fire exit for paper and other recyclable materials. Put items in loose, ie not tied up in a plastic bag (which machines can't open!) - and use the big bin in the car park for things that can't be recycled.

So far, we've found the kitchen bin needs emptying far less than previously - so well done to you all.

In case you missed it . . .

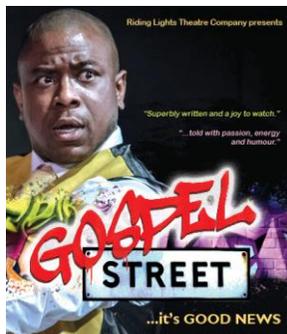
Manse Open House 'Bring and Share' - food, nibbles and drinks - on Saturday 22nd September 2018 from noon till 5:00pm.

Churches Together in Ewell. The Annual Review Evening will be held at St Clements RC Church, Kingston Road, Ewell at 8:00pm on Wednesday 26th September - all are invited, and there are more details on the notice boards.

Gospel Street - it's good news. On Sunday 30th September 7:00pm at Surbiton Hill Methodist Church. Gospel Street is a powerful mix of theatre, comedy and spoken word - a breath-taking ride through all the important issues of life, death - and miraculous street food.

This is the second tour for this popular show from an established professional Christian theatre company. More details on the notice board or ridinglights.org/gospel.

Tickets are £10 (£8.00 concessions) online.



The coming week at SMC

Monday 17th September

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

Monday Group - 8:00pm at Helen's

Tuesday 18th September

Tuesday Fellowship - 3:00pm at Chessington Garden Centre for Afternoon Tea (pre-booked only) - NO meeting at the Church.

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

Finance & Property Committee - 7:30pm in the New Room

Wednesday 19th September

'You must remember this' - 2:00-3.30pm in the Link Room

Local Preachers' meeting - 7:30pm in the New Room

Thursday 13th September

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

Saturday 22nd September

Manse Open House - noon-5:00pm

Sunday 23rd September

Morning Worship - 10:30am with Valerie Ashcroft

Stewards - Lesley and Tom

Welcome - Ruth and Christine

Music - Jean, Sound - Norma J

Refreshments - Gloria, Flowers - Church

Contact Details

Contact: Jeananne (07729 028850) -contact@stoneleighmethodist.church.

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

All items for future NewsSheets should be emailed to news@stoneleighmethodist.church from where they will be redirected automatically to those compiling the next edition - please do not send directly to individuals (in case they're not about). Alternatively pass to Denise or Robin, or drop into the Church letter box, under the arches by room 1.

We'll make every effort to get late entries published or read from the lectern if too late for the printed sheet.