



Newsletter

Sunday 5th February 2012

Wellington Methodist Church and Centre

New Street, Wellington, Telford, TF1 1LU

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Welcome to Wellington Methodist Church! At the top of New Street, the church seeks to serve town and people and offers good news for all. If you are here for the first time or just visiting the area you are welcome. Please feel at home and if you would like to know more about the work of the Church please ask, or fill in one of the contact leaflet sheets to join the mailing/email list. Do stay and join us for tea and coffee after the service.

Services for Sunday 5th February

9.00 am Holy Communion - Rev Alan Fisher

10.15 am All Age Worship - Mrs Annette Thomas

Mid-week Worship (Thursday)

9.30 am Holy Communion - a 30 minute service for anyone in town.
In the Sanctuary. All welcome.

Services for next Sunday

10.15 Home Missions Sunday . Preacher : Roy Ellis

5 pm Fizz Buzz



Our prayers

We think of those who are unwell, in hospital or recovering at home. Those in Care or Nursing Homes. Please remember those who have had difficult news during the past few days. We remember Dewis brother Gwyn in hospital Ida Skelton, Mary Jones who are poorly and Emrys Marys husband. Please remember in your thoughts Gerry, Jen, Barry and all the family as we remember with joy our friend Gwen Davies who passed away on Tuesday evening. We also remember Peter Gale, Mary Vambe and all their family on the death of Irene Peters wife.



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WEEKDAY PROGRAMME

Monday - Friday Pre School

Monday 6th February

10am-12noon - Keeping in Touch
6pm Brownies

Tuesday 7th February

10.30 am Art
1.30 pm Art
2.45 pm Network
6.00pm Girls Brigade

Wednesday 8th February

10.00 am Cake with a difference
2.00 pm Photoshop
5.15 pm Rainbows
6.00 pm Guides

Thursday 9th February

9.30 am Holy Communion
10.00am Counselling Course
10-12noon Coffee Morning
12.15-1.00pm Food for Thought -
Matthew Stafford
7.30 p.m Wesley Guild - Mrs Paula Holden

Friday 10th February

10.00 am Computers
10.00 am Craft & Chat -
Ceramic & Glass open morning
1 pm Computers
1 pm Toddlers

Saturday 11th February

10.00 am-12.30 p.m Coffee Morning -
Guild

NEWS, DIARY DATES & SPECIAL EVENTS

Coffee mornings

No - one is down to run coffee morning on 3rd March for church funds . All that is needed are servers and two people to make drinks. There will be a Craft Fayre running at the same time , if you feel you could help please let Catherine know as soon as possible.

Many thanks Catherine

Circuit Mission Enabler

The post of Circuit Mission Enabler is now being advertised, for more details please see the notice board or see the Telford Methodist Circuit web– site

Church Council

Please note the Church Council meeting will now be held on 13th February.
Please note the change of date.

Sanktuary

More volunteers are required to run Sanktuary . Please see notice board at rear of church to see more details, if you feel you could help with this please contact Mary Lewis or Dewi

Collection on Sunday 29th January £727.82

From Peter - Just a brief up date on what how the sabbatical travel is going.

It is summer here and many people have been on holiday over the last few weeks, so the churches have been quieter than normal. The summer holidays will be over in the next few days, schools and colleges will begin again and life in the churches will return to normal.

Our visit to Sydney, Australia, was fascinating & the work of the Wesley Mission, part of the Uniting Church very interesting. In some respects it is similar to what we try to do at Wellington, but on a vaster scale. They have a staff of 180 and a range of worship services, some broadcasts direct to major TV stations. There are programmes for homeless people, folk seeking to gain new skills for return to work, retirement homes and a couple of psychiatric clinics. They try to put into practice the John Wesley concept of 'do all the good you can'.

Here, in Auckland, New Zealand, the church is more low key, but active. They are just beginning to get into Fresh Expressions of church as their mission in a fast-changing culture develops. I will find out more as the week goes by. In the meantime I have met with a key worker from the Tongan Synod of the Church here - and sent Barbara's greetings to the church where he works.

We send our best wishes and greetings to everyone. The time is passing quickly and it won't be long before we are back. Hopefully in time for Spring!

Methodist Women in Britain (MWiB) and World Mission Fund (Network)
We would like to welcome ALL ladies of ALL ages (and all dress sizes!!!) to join us in the Sanctuary for our next meeting.

Daphne Scott will be leading a devotional session, with prayer, praise, song and contemplation. This is followed by tea, fellowship and Bring & Buy table. Tuesday February 7th 2.45pm - **3.30pm** . **There's a welcome from the moment you step through the doors.**

Girls Brigade

Invite you to a Beetle Drive and Presentation of Awards Evening on Tuesday 7th February here in church from 6.15 pm until 7.30 pm. Cost £1 to include a game of beetle and refreshments

Ladies Club

The Ladies Club will be having a coffee evening and get together on Wednesday the 15th February at 7.30 pm. Everyone is Welcome.

Birthdays in February

8th February Mrs Kath Smith
25th February Jacob Johnson age 3
25th February Ruby Oliver age 2

Lent Bible Study Course

There will be a Lent Bible Study course again, beginning on Tuesday 28th February & running for the next 4 Tuesdays. It will be held at 20 Eider Drive, Apley at 7.45pm for a prompt 8.00 pm start.

If you would like to attend please let me know by Sunday 19th February (01952 257289) so that I can order the course booklets, which will cost £3.75 each. Should there be sufficient interest I am also willing to run a day time course.

Diane Parkin.

Fresh!

A book giving an Introduction to Fresh Expressions of Church and Pioneer Ministry by David Goodhew, Andrew Roberts and Michael Volland Published by SCM Press in March 2012 pre publication price £15 until 15th February. To Order:-

Tel: 01603 785 925 or e - mail orders@norwichbooksandmusic.co.uk

Home Missions

Would all Home Mission box holders please return them to Chris Lewis for emptying.

The Home Missions meeting is on Thursday 9th February at 7.30 pm. The speaker will be Sarah Bruce chaplain at Wolverhampton and Telford University.

Home Missions Sunday 12th February. The preacher will be Roy Ellis.

Come and Sing!

With Shifnal Chorale - Opera Choruses and with Musical Director Paul Kelly on Saturday 11th February 2—6 pm at Wellington Methodist Church. £8 to include home made cakes and tea. All voices welcome. Contact Angela Pitt 01952 811444

Challenge 60/60

My husband Dave Pritchard, on reaching the age of 60, has taken up a challenge to climb 60 of the highest peaks in England, Wales and Scotland (all over 2,500ft high) **and raise funds through sponsorship for Hope House Children's Hospice. The challenge** is called 60/60. It started on 25 December 2011 and finish by 24 December 2012 (or before with luck?).

All sponsors will be offered a reward (or punishment!) of a rambling (excuse the pun!) slide show of the event towards the end of 2012. If you would like to sponsor Dave, a sponsor form can be found on the church notice board or you can visit <http://www.justgiving.com/6060Challenge> and make a donation on-line. This site also explains why Dave chose Hope House and the reasons for taking up the challenge. Please note that if you are a tax payer Hope House can benefit by a further 25p /£1 if you complete the gift aid declaration.

For every £10 raised Dave will add £1 too! (Small Print: To a maximum of £100!)

Shirley Pritchard