

LICHFIELD METHODIST CHURCH

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SUNDAYS 18th & 25th AUGUST 2019

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LARGE PRINT: If anyone finds it difficult to read the words in the song books or on the screen, please ask the stewards for a large print copy.

IF YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE MENTIONED IN THE PRAYER LIST OR WOULD LIKE TO BE MENTIONED YOURSELF, please send an e-mail to LichMCnotices@gmail.com or speak to one of the stewards or door stewards.

NEWCOMERS to our church are invited to complete a Welcome Card, which can be obtained from any of the Door Stewards. Once filled in, the cards can be either given to one of the Door Stewards, or placed in the collection plate.

WHAT'S ON THIS FORTNIGHT...

w/b SUNDAY 18th AUGUST 2019

"Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved"
(Psalm 80:19)

PLEASE PRAY FOR those recently bereaved. Pray for Viv and Peter Wilkes' 7-year old grandson, Zachary and for all those known to you who are in need, and continue to hold up to God in prayer all those whose names have featured here recently. Pray too for all those in residential homes, for those affected by life-threatening conditions, and for continued healing for everyone in need.

Please also pray for the Bible Studies, the Causeway Group and Tiddlers' Toddlers, and for the congregation of our Church at St Martins. Finally, pray for fellow Christians in Belize, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama.

FOR THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK we thank Isobel and Bruce Johnstone.

Lectionary Readings (Page numbers are for the Church Bibles):

Psalm 80:1-2 8-19 (p470); Isaiah 5:1-7 (p552);
Luke 12:49-56 (p848); Hebrews 11:29-12:2 (p978)

10am Morning Worship led by Mrs Ann Hazell-Smith

6.30pm Evening Worship led by Mrs Ann Seaton

Mon-Fri 9.30am-12 noon Live at Home Scheme Office Open.

Mon 19 Aug 1pm 'Open Door of Hope'

Tue 20 Aug 9.30am Prayer Meeting
10am-12noon Coffee Shop - drinks and cakes
2pm Methodist Women in Britain: Open House

Thu 22 Aug 10am-12noon Coffee Shop - drinks and cakes

Fri 23 Aug 10am-12noon Coffee Shop - drinks and cakes

Sat 24 Aug 10am-12noon Coffee Shop - drinks and cakes

w/b SUNDAY 25th AUGUST 2019

O Lord my God, in you I take refuge; save me from all my pursuers, and deliver me. (Psalm 7:1)

PLEASE PRAY FOR those recently bereaved. Pray for Viv and Peter Wilkes' 7-year old grandson, Zachary and for all those known to you who are in need, and continue to hold up to God in prayer all those whose names have featured here recently. Pray too for all those in residential homes, for those affected by life-threatening conditions, and for continued healing for everyone in need.

Please also pray for The Boys' Brigade, the Brownies and the Methodist Women in Britain, and for the congregation of our Church at Shenstone Finally, pray for fellow Christians in Iran, Pakistan, Ukraine, North Korea and China including Hong Kong.

FOR THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK we thank Connie Harford, who has given them in memory of her Mum.

Lectionary Readings (Page numbers are for the Church Bibles):

Psalm 7:1-6 (p426); Jeremiah 1:4-10 (p609);
Luke 13:10-17 (p848); Hebrews 12:18-29 (p979)

10am Morning Worship led by Rev Roger Baker
6.30pm Evening Worship led by Rev Robert Russell

Tue-Fri 9.30am-12 noon Live at Home Scheme Office Open.

Tue 27 Aug 9.30am Prayer Meeting
10am-12noon Coffee Shop - drinks and cakes
2pm Methodist Women in Britain: Open House

Wed 28 Aug 9am Toddlers 'Cleaning Day'

Thu 29 Aug 10am-12noon Coffee Shop - drinks and cakes
10am Lichfield Memory Café

Fri 30 Aug 10am-12noon Coffee Shop - drinks and cakes
NO Men's Lunch

Sat 31 Aug 10am-12noon Coffee Shop - drinks and cakes

Sun 1 Sep **9am** Early Morning Communion led by Rev Roger Baker
10.30am Morning Worship led by Deacon Gill Judge
6.30pm Evening Worship led by Mrs June Nethercot

MEN'S LUNCH - NO MEETING on 30th August, the next will be on 27th September.

WHAT'S ON LATER...

BIRTHDAY! Thelma Underwood is marking her special birthday this year by holding an 'at home' day. She will provide her specialities - flapjack and rock cakes and a cuppa, in return for your company. **No cards or presents** required but there will be a box for contributions towards a donation to The Leprosy Mission. **Wednesday 4th September**, 10-12 or 2-4. 21 Heritage Court, WS14ST. All are welcome!

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: The next Men's Bible Study Group will be on **Saturday 7th September** at "Coffee #1" on Baker's Lane (opposite Argos), starting at 8.30am.. All welcome, especially men who find it less convenient to participate in weekday events.

FOCUS GROUP: FOCUS GROUP: **Saturday 7th September**, 7pm. At the home of Wendy and Howard Thompson. New members always welcome to this 'bring-and-share' meal, followed by discussion on current affairs from a Christian perspective. If you hope to come please ring them on 264668.

COME AND SING WITH SONGS OF PRAISE! The longest-running religious TV show in the world invites you to a special event in Leicester. Your chance to sing along with the stars at this recording of the much-loved BBC One flagship series Songs of Praise showcasing the UK's Favourite Hymns chosen by YOU the public. Aled Jones hosts and introduces some special guests including "The Voice" himself Russell Watson, Opera and West End Star Lesley Garrett and Britain's Got Talent winner Colin Thackery. Local university choir DMU and the Songs of Praise Young Choir of the Year Champions Perfect Pitch are also performing. The recording will be on **Wednesday 11th September**, 6:30pm-9:30pm at the De Montfort Hall, Granville Road, Leicester, LE1 7RU, and will be broadcast on BBC1 on **Sunday 29th September**. Tickets cost £11 each. To purchase tickets please call 0116 2333111 (Standard geographic charges from landlines and mobiles will apply.) Ticket line is open each Monday to Saturday from 10am-6pm or visit the venue website: www.demontforthall.co.uk Many thanks for your support; we look forward to hearing from you. The Songs of Praise Team.

HERITAGE DAY, SATURDAY 14th SEPTEMBER: Churches Together in Lichfield and Lichfield Mysteries Community Arts will be presenting a production of 'The Shepherds' at 2.30pm in Lichfield Market Square on **Saturday 14th September** as part of Heritage Day. 'The Shepherds' is a short, traditional Lichfield mystery play which has been adapted by Sally Hayter. This is a free event, and all are welcome.

HARVEST SUPPER hosted by young people- the young people of the Church are planning a harvest cook-in on the afternoon of **Saturday 14th September** and invite everyone to come along at 6pm to sample food from around the world and find out how we can help other people by twinning our toilets._

NEXT FILM NIGHT: Saturday 14th September, 7pm. Film to be confirmed nearer the time.

INVITATION to HARVEST LUNCH. Our Harvest Lunch will be served on **Sunday 15th September** following the 10.30 service. We look forward to sharing a light lunch and fellowship together. Trust you can join us and for Catering purposes can you please sign the Notice in the Concourse. Many thanks.

TALENT MAGAZINE - articles for the Harvest edition of Talent to be submitted to the Church Office (churchoffice.tamlich@gmail.com) by **Sunday 15th September**. Thank you.

MEN'S LUNCH - no meeting on 30th August, the next will be on 27th September.

TALENT COLLATION TEAM - the publication of the next Talent Magazine has been pushed on a few weeks; therefore, the collation date for the Harvest Edition will be on **Saturday 28th September** 9.30 am. Thank you.

OTHER NOTICES...

THANK YOU to all who have expressed care and concern on the recent death of Ruth's father. Thank you for all your support in prayer. We appreciate the love shown from so many of you. Thank you, Ruth & Roger.

THANK YOU to everyone who supported and donated to our Coffee Morning on 7th August. It was a lovely time of Fellowship on a beautiful sunny day and raised the wonderful total of £131 towards church funds. Blessings. Roger and Christine Hands.

JMA BOXHOLDERS: Would you let Gill Silverwood have these boxes by 25th August, please, as this is the end of the Methodist financial year. Thank you very much.

SHOEBOX APPEAL: We shall be sharing in the Shoebox Appeal again this year, however, the Church Council have approved the decision to use a new charity called Teams4U. Dave Cooke who is the founder of this charity is coming to the 10.30 am service on the 8th September to share with us about the work of the charity. As usual shoe boxes can be filled with gifts for a child; additionally, a Home Box can be filled with useful home items, if you prefer. Filled boxes will be transported to vulnerable children and families living in Eastern Europe. Leaflets are available if you wish to start collecting items for your shoe box early! The boxes will be received and dedicated at the November All Age worship. Further details from Gill Woolf.

'3Generate' (METHODIST YOUTH WEEKEND IN SOUTHPORT) - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: There are awesome volunteering opportunities at 3Generate! Why not take a look and see which role might be right for you? 22-24 November www.methodist.org.uk/our-work/our-work-in-britain/3generate/volunteering

VISITORS - You are invited to Gift Aid your offering by using an appropriate envelope which is obtainable from one of the Door Stewards: please enter your details on the back of the envelope.

LICHFIELD FOODBANK: We need tinned fruit, tinned vegetables, sugar, custard and coffee. Thank you for responding at this difficult time for many families.

SOUND DESK: If you would like to learn how to use the sound desk and run it during services please contact Matt Bates (263742 or mattwbates@talktalk.net). It's not too difficult and you'll get lots of feedback.

RECORDINGS OF SERVICES -A number of our services are recorded as a matter of course and CDs of the most recent ones can be found in the rack by the office for you to borrow and return. You can also have your own copy in MP3 format sent to you by email. If you would like this, please email paul_mcdermott@btinternet.com

Recordings of circuit and other special services can also be downloaded from the circuit website.

CHURCH MAINTENANCE: Any items relating to the maintenance of the Church buildings should be referred, please, to Chris Buxton, (523607) or by e-mail to LichMCnotices@gmail.com Thank you.

SCREEN NOTICES:- Please send notices for the screen on Tamworth Street to LMC.screens@gmail.com

KEEP UP TO DATE!:- To receive the notices regularly by email, please email request to LichMCnotices@gmail.com . The weekly notices can be found on the LMC section of the front page of the Circuit website:

<https://www.tamworthandlichfieldmethodist.org.uk/churches/lichfield/weekly-notices/>

NOTICES:- Please send items for inclusion in the notices for **1st September 2019** to LichMCnotices@gmail.com or to Chris Buxton 523607 or via the pigeon-holes **not later than 10pm on Wednesday 28th August**. Thank you.

WHEN YOU ASK TO HAVE SOMETHING PUT IN THE NOTICES, which includes any of your personal details, eg. Email, address, phone number etc, such details will be made publicly available and you are giving your consent so to publish.