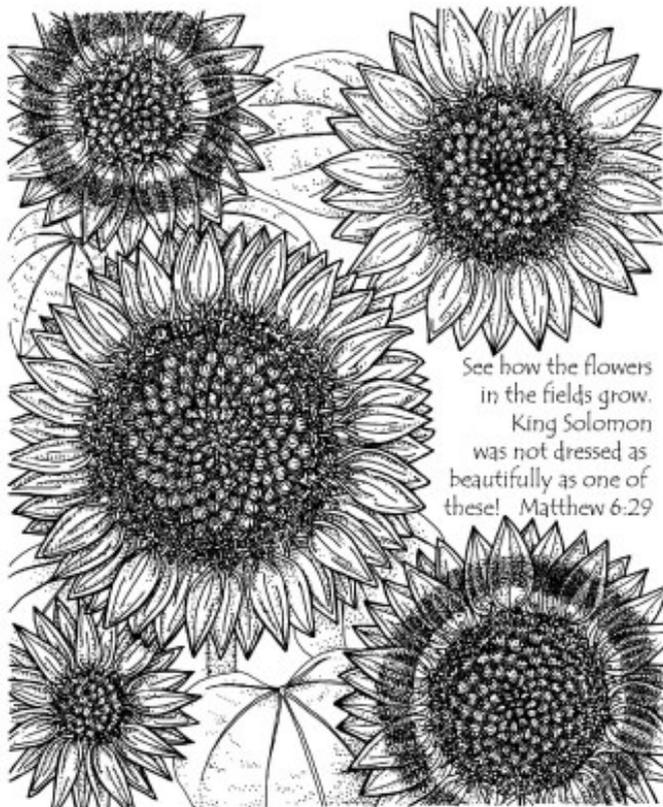


the Link

**The United Pastorate of
Leatherhead
Cobham
Effingham**

July/August 2016



See how the flowers
in the fields grow.
King Solomon
was not dressed as
beautifully as one of
these! Matthew 6:29



The
**United
Reformed
Church**

Linking:
Christ Church (United Reformed) Leatherhead
Cobham Methodist Church
Cobham United Reformed Church
Effingham Methodist Church
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The Methodist Church



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Pastorate Service

We are delighted to say that we have set a date for the
Pastorate Service in the summer.

Please join us on 28th August at Leatherhead Methodist
Church for 10.30am.

All 5 churches will come together to share in worship and
refreshments afterwards; we look forward to seeing you
then.

Every blessing, Kim and Lynda

Congratulations

Former minister at LMC, CMC and Effingham, Rev Derek
Davidson and his wife Ann celebrated their golden wedding
on June 11th.

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The Ministers Write...

From Rev. Kim Plumpton

Dear friends,

My day off this week wasn't quite what I expected it to be. I started the day doing a bit of spring cleaning which was well overdue. I found amongst my belongings a rubber wrist band, on which were the words 'cross equals love'. My heart sank with sadness as I picked it up and placed it on my wrist, because that particular Monday was the day after 50 people had been killed in a gay club in Orlando. God's love was surely absent from the hand that had chosen that day to cause such pain.

Carmel awoke that morning deeply troubled by the events of the day before. We spent some time talking, then we went to the church and lit a candle, offered our prayers, sat quietly and remembered the dead, their families and the killer's family too.

A vigil was taking place in London that evening by the Admiral Duncan pub (a very pertinent gathering spot: A nail bomb had gone off there in 1999 killing three). The vigil would begin at 7pm with a two minute silence. Carmel felt she needed to be there and asked if I would go. I said I could not think of a greater privilege than to stand in solidarity with those who were feeling so vulnerable, to remember those lost in such a brutal way.

Our train was not due for another couple of hours so I continued clearing out the cupboards and to my surprise came across another bracelet. Only weeks before Lianne and I had made the bracelet while she was in labour in the hospital, and for a short while it did what I had intended it to do and taken her mind off the pain.

I resolved to wear it that evening. Why? When I awaited the arrival of our grandson it was a time of great anticipation and a recognition that new life would soon be with us. I wore it to remind me that I wanted my grandson to grow up in a better world, one where terrorism didn't strike fear into the hearts of many, and one where love truly does win over hate.

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We got to the vigil in good time and stood within a few feet of Jeremy Corbin, Sadiq Khan and various other MP's who had come to offer support. We shared in a 2 minute silence with thousands gathered, followed by applause and some singing from a choir positioned close by. We then walked round to St Anne's for further prayer and a candlelit vigil.

It was a poignant and moving evening one I will not forget in a hurry. On that day I felt we had acknowledged the worst of humanity and also the best here in this place. Strangers wrapped their arms around one another with the muffled sounds of sobbing all around, the signs waving above our heads 'love wins' and 'people of all faiths united against hate crimes.' Many sensed it was an attack not just on individuals but on a whole community of people who share the same identity, who share similar experiences. I could only listen that night but I hope I expressed my love for them, in their vulnerability and in their pain.

⁷Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.' 1 John 4:7-9.

Let us love one another.

Every blessing, Kim

As many will know, Lynda has had some time to convalesce following an operation, and she asked Hannah Mulcock, the Leatherhead Family and Children's Worker to write a piece for the Link in her place. Many thanks to Hannah for this, and best wishes and every blessing to Lynda.

From Hannah Mulcock

Dear Friends

I write this whilst sitting on a coach with sixty children on our way to Wisley Gardens on a school trip. There is definitely an atmosphere of excitement and anticipation. This feeling, however, seems to stretch beyond the day out of the classroom. Behind me I can hear two boys discussing their summer plans; one boy speaks with elation at his upcoming holiday to Florida whilst the other talks about his own plans.

I wonder what you are looking forward to this summer? Could it be that summer get away? A few weeks off work? Perhaps you are looking forward to spending time with friends and family. I'm personally looking forward to exploring what ministry to families could look like when children are not at school. That and the extra lie-ins!

It's a nice feeling to be looking forward to something, to be excited about what is to come. Christians have something incredible to look forward to: the return of Jesus. We see Paul using the Aramaic expression "Marana tha" in 1 Corinthians which translates to "Come, O Lord". In fact, the New Testament anticipation of Christ's return is a constant theme.

I don't know what your instant feelings towards the return of Christ are—maybe fascination, or you may find the whole concept very weird (and who could blame you after reading Revelation?) or you could feel fear. My prayer would be that it fills you with excitement. Take a moment to read 2 Peter 3: 3-14. This is such a good passage to explore as it explains the reasons that we should be looking forward to Christ's return.

Firstly, it will be the "Day of the Lord" when, finally, everyone will recognise Him as the King of the universe—it will all be about Him. Jesus will be seen in all His might, majesty and splendour. He will receive the glory He is due.

Secondly, the end of sin. This means the end of cancer, earthquakes, corruption, war, hunger, poverty and so much more. Is that not something we should await with hope? No more tears, death, mourning, crying or pain. To look forward to a new Heaven and a new Earth—our new home.

So what should our response to these things be? Simply put: get right with God; get ready for our new home by practicing living holy and godly lives and get busy sharing Christ so others can be excited about His return because Jesus is coming again and it is something to look forward to!

Every blessing, Hannah





Cobham Methodist Worship Diary



July

- Sun 3rd 10.30am David Cappitt**
Sat 9th 2.30pm Platinum Service
Sun 10th 10.30am Sydney Shore (Joint Service at URC)
Sun 17th 10.30am Rev. Kim Plumpton - Holy Communion (Joint Service)
Sun 24th 10.30am Rev Kim Plumpton—United Service—Summer Celebration
Sun 31st 10.30am John Stewart—(Joint Service at URC)

August

- Sun 7th 10.30am John Oborn**
Sat 13th 2.30pm Platinum Service
Sun 14th 10.30am Rev Kim Plumpton—Holy Communion (Joint Service at URC)
Sun 21st 10.30am Rev. Kim Plumpton (Joint Service)
Sun 28th 10.30am Revs Lynda Russell and Kim Plumpton—United Pastorate Service at Leatherhead Methodist Church

September

- Sun 4th 10.30am Rob Pitt**





Next "Time 4 You"

Saturdays 11th July, 8th August
10.00am - 12 noon

SUMMER CELEBRATION

Come on and Celebrate His gift of Love!

On Sunday 24th July @ CMC we are having a Summer Celebration - a Worship Party followed by a Faith Lunch.

All Kim's Churches are coming and we shall also be joined by CCC and TGCM so we shall be bursting at the seams! Do come and join us, however please remember that if you are late it might be standing room only!





Cobham

United Reformed Church

Worship Diary

July

Sun	3rd	9.00am 10.30am	Early Bird Service Rev Norman Edsall
Sun	10th	10.30am	Joint Service: Sydney Shore
Sun	17th	10.30am	Joint Service at CMC Rev. Kim Plumpton with Holy Communion URC Church Meeting to follow the service
Sun	24th	10.30am	Joint Summer Celebration at CMC; Rev. Kim Plumpton
Sun	31st	10.30am	Joint Service: John Stewart

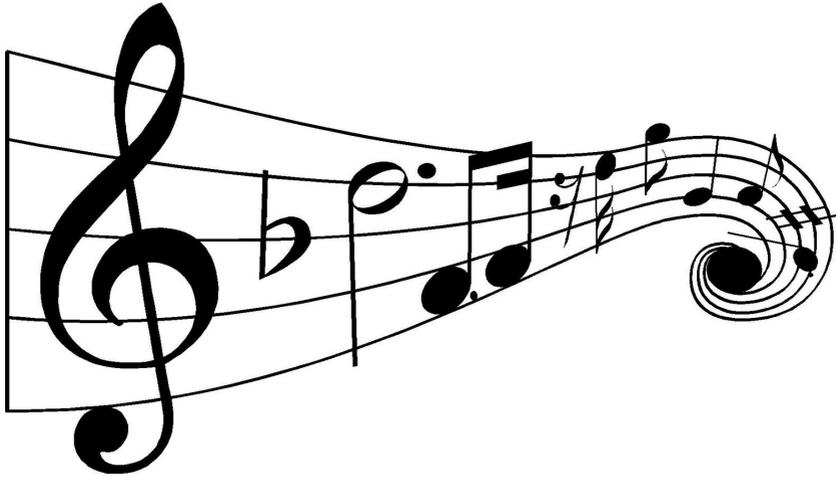
August

Sun	7th	9.00am 10.30am	Early Bird Service Gail Partridge
Sun	14th	10.30am	Joint Service: Rev. Kim Plumpton with Holy Communion
Sun	21st	10.30am	Joint Service at CMC Rev Kim Plumpton
Sun	28th	10.30am	Revs Lynda Russell and Kim Plumpton United Pastorate Service at L'head Methodist Church

September

Sun	4th	9.00am 10.30am	Early Bird Service Heather Ward
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**Samuel Plumptre
invites you to.....**



**A night of singing, dancing, food
and raffle prizes.**

Date: 2nd July 2016

Venue : Cobham United Reformed Church

Time: 7:30pm



**The evening is a fund-
raiser for Samuel's
trip to Nepal to work
with disabled children
in July.**

Cobham Events

July

Sat	2nd	7.30pm	Samuel's fundraiser (<i>see p9</i>)
Sun	3rd	3.00pm	Play and Chat (<i>to 6.00pm</i>)
Tues	5th	9.45am	Church Walk
		7.30pm	Elders' Meeting (<i>URC</i>)
Thur	7th	7.30pm	Men's Fellowship (<i>at The Edmund Tylney, High Street Leatherhead</i>)
Sat	9th	10.00am	Time 4 You at CMC (<i>to 12 noon</i>)
Wed	13th	8.00pm	House Fellowship at the manse (<i>CMC</i>)
Fri	15th	11.30am	Stewards' meeting (<i>CMC</i>)
Sat	16th	6.00pm	Farewell to Rev Paul Cockburn at London Road, Horsham
Thur	21st	7.30pm	Joint Leaders' Meeting at CMC

August

Tues	2nd	9.45am	Church Walk
Thurs	4th	12.30pm	Men's Fellowship (<i>at Ye Olde Windsor Castle, Bookham</i>)
Sun	7th	3.00pm	Play and Chat (<i>to 6.00pm</i>)
Sat	13th	10.00am	Time 4 You at CMC (<i>to 12 noon</i>)

Prayers at the Manse Wednesdays at 9.30am

July: 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th*

August: 3rd*, 10th*, 17th*, 24th, 31st

NOTE: On starred dates, prayers will be in the church.



**Tea at Three:
No Tea at Three in July
and August.
Back in September.**



Effingham

Methodist Church



Birthday Dates to celebrate this month:

Happy Birthday to Gracie Wickham on 21st July and Gill Walker on 3rd August.

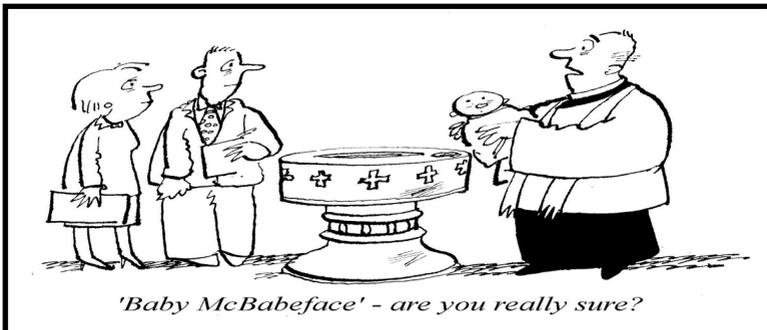
Prayer Group...

...meets at the Chapel every Friday at 9.30am.

Saturday Morning Live

Saturday Morning Live ~ Effingham's Ecumenical Café Church, will be held at **St Lawrence Church hall on Saturday 2th July from 10 to 11am** with **Neil Graham**, a speaker from the charity **Embrace**,

(formerly **Bible Lands**), which is working to improve the lives of the poorest and most vulnerable people in the Middle East, and build stronger relationships with Christian partners.





“Connect” provides a friendly social meeting place for carers and their partners with dementia and meets fortnightly on Thursday mornings from 10am to 12 noon in St Lawrence Church Hall in Effingham. Those currently attending come from nearby as well as further afield.

“Connect” aims to provide support for the carers as well as a wide range of stimulating activities for their partners with dementia.

We have a splendid team of volunteers and each morning starts with a good cup of coffee and cake for everyone. Our mornings may include snooker, a short walk, a game of dominoes, some music, puzzles, a quiz, bowls or New Age Kurling – to name a few of our activities. In the Spring and Summer we are organising some outings as well, usually monthly. We have space to welcome more couples and just want to get the group more widely known, so please tell anyone you know about the group.

Connect is supported by the East Court Fund (Community Foundation for Surrey), The Nursing Association for The Bookhams, Fetcham and Effingham and the John Bean Trust. The next Thursday morning meetings are on July 7th and 21st August 4th and 18th and fortnightly thereafter.

For more information call Gill on 01372 457987 or Kim on 01932 586988.



Connect (the group for carers and partners with dementia)

The group was entertained by Morag Butler singing with her guitar, and joined by Alan Goldup, one of our members, playing ukulele. The community singing was lively, and everybody joined in.

Effingham Methodist Diary



July

Sat 2nd 10.00am Café Church at St. Lawrence church hall
(to 11.00am)

Sun 3rd 10.00am Rev. Kim Plumpton - Holy Communion

Tues 5th 2.30pm Tuesday Tea in the R. C. Hall

Thur 7th 2.30pm Christian Meditation in the church

Sun 10th 10.00am Beth Little

Tues 12th 2.00pm **Prayer Walk** meets at St. Lawrence Church

Wed 13th 3.30pm Messy Church @ St. Lawrence Hall (to 5.30)

Sat 16th 12.30pm Church BBQ in aid of MHA
@ Dennis & Gracie's (see p 15)

Sun 17th 10.00am James Wild

Tues 19th 2.30pm Tuesday Tea in the R. C. Hall

Thur 21st 12.30pm Oasis Bible Study lunch in the hall
2.30pm Christian Meditation in the church

**Sun 24th 10.30am United Service @ Cobham Methodist
Church (see p7)**

**Sun 31st 10.00am Ecumenical Service @ St. Lawrence's
with Rhys Frost**

August

Tues 2nd 2.30pm Tuesday Tea in the R. C. Hall

**Sun 7th 10.00am Rev. Darlene McCarley
-Holy Communion**

Sun 14th 10.00am Jay Dunning

Tues 16th 2.30pm Tuesday Tea in the R. C. Hall

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August *(continued)*

Sun 21st 10.00am David Cappitt

**Sun 28th 10.30am Revs Kim Plumpton and Lynda Russell
United Pastorate Service
at Leatherhead Methodist Church**

Tues 30th 2.30pm Tuesday Tea in the R. C.Hall

September

Sat 3rd 10.00am Café Church *(to 11am)*

Sun 4th 10.00am Rev. Kim Plumpton - Holy Communion



**St. Lawrence Church Hall in Brown's Lane
Wednesday 13th July ~ 3.30 -5.30pm
No Messy Church in August**



The **Folk Evening** in May was a sell out success and raised an incredible £1239 profit for **Habitat for Humanity**, Effingham's chosen charity for the next two years. (PHOTO ~ Ange Putland)



Dennis & Gracie's BBQ for MHA & Action for Children

**Please come to a BBQ in
Dennis & Gracie Wick-
ham's Garden on Satur-
day 16th July
@ 2pm at
The Red House, in Lower
Road, Effingham**

**Bring your own meat
knives/ forks & glasses**





Effingham Celebrates the Queen's 90th Birthday

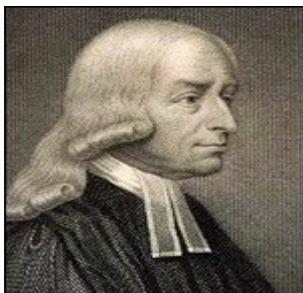
Effingham's celebration was duly planned for a fine day, but it was not to be. Plan B was to use St Alphege church hall for the street party cream tea.

St Lawrence Church was packed for the ecumenical led by the vicar, Rev Mandy MacVean, with Rev Kim Plumpton. Local school children sang and recited "They're changing guard at Buckingham Palace—says Alice"



Volunteers from local churches buttering scones in the Methodist Hall, to take to St Alphege Hall for tea.

Warmed hearts on Wesley Day 2016.



May 24th is Wesley Day, and we decided to revisit our Methodist heritage by joining the walk in London as it was a bright sunny day, and began with Evensong at St. Paul's Cathedral. Of course this is just what John Wesley did in 1738, when his life was transformed by the Holy Spirit and Methodism really began. We also hoped to hear addresses by the President and Vice President of Conference, the charismatic Rev. Steve Wild and Dr. Jill Barber, who'd both been so impassioned at last year's Heritage and Mission conference.

So we took the train and joined a well attended service of Choral Evensong at St Paul's Cathedral, where, to honour the occasion, the President read the New Testament lesson, and we listened to an anthem by Samuel Wesley and sang "*O for a thousand tongues to sing*". Then everyone filed out, passing Holman Hunt's painting of Christ, "The Light of the World". Then our journey in the footsteps of John Wesley began, outside the North Door of St Paul's, with a short service, rousing hymn singing, prayer and laying a wreath at the feet of John's memorial statue.

Rev. The Lord Griffiths led a straggling procession to the Museum of London, home of the 'Flame', which marks the closest point to the building where, on the 24th May 1738, John Wesley, saddened by his feelings after evensong at St Pauls, joined a small group of Moravian Christians and had his 'warmed heart experience' that changed him for ever.

Our journey was a very uplifting one too, as a group of Ghanaian Ladies in Suzanna Wesley costumes beating drums and singing, led us through the streets. Dave and I were usually at the back of the procession, taking photos and helping the tail enders! We were guided through high rise flats, and saw how beautiful some of the new buildings were, with their amazing architecture, pretty gardens and water features.

Another short service was held at Bunhill Fields, the famous non-conformist graveyard, opposite Wesley's Chapel in City Road where Susanna Wesley is buried. A gate was opened so that we could all lay a rose at her grave to remember a mother who was obviously a major influence on both John and Charles.

Then we crossed City Road to Wesley's Chapel and gathered around the statue of John Wesley for some more rousing hymns, and Rev Steve Wild gave an amazing and uplifting address while standing on a grave near Wesley's house.

At last a brief stop comfort break and a cup of tea (no cake) in the hall, where we met some of the 50 or so people who had been on the walk, and chatted with ladies from the Susanna Wesley Mission Auxiliary.

Then we adjourned to the nether regions of the Chapel for the opening of the final display case in "The World is my Parish", the new exhibition in the refurbished Museum of Methodism.

Our final service was around John Wesley's tomb at the rear of the chapel, where Dr Jill Barber gave a moving address, and we all sang '*And can it be*', while wiping tears from our eyes. A wonderful end to a brilliant occasion, which we'll never forget.

Dave and Ange Putland



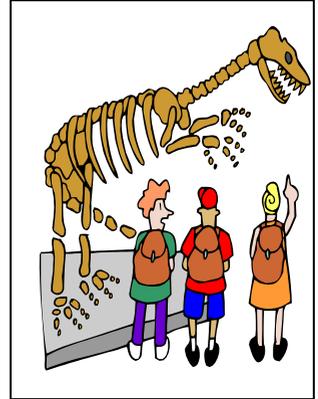
Heritage Weekend ~ Effingham Chapel

The Chapel will be open for *Heritage Open Days weekend* again this year, on **Friday 9th** and **Saturday 10th** from 10am to 5pm and on **Sunday 11th** from 12noon till 4pm with an Exhibition and refreshments including ploughman's lunch and cream teas with home-made cakes and scones.

The exhibition is Village history, with information about local heroes **Lord Howard of Effingham**, of Armada fame, and WWII hero **Sir Barnes Wallis**.

But we've also been researching more of **Effingham Methodists' early history** and how our Society first worshipped before the Chapel was built.

There's a Quiz and a village history trail too, and talks about meteorites and fossils, starring **Baryonyx**, the Surrey dinosaur.



As usual cyclists taking part in the annual sponsored *Bike & Stride for Surrey Churches Preservation Trust's* will be dropping in for signatures on sponsor forms, refreshments and a comfort break **on Saturday 10th September**

It's not too late to plan an event for **Heritage Open Days** at your Church ! **Last date for registration is 1st August** ~ See website for details <http://www.heritageopendays.org.uk>

So please can you help ? We'd greatly appreciate more volunteers to talk to visitors or help to serve teas or make scones this year.
Please talk to Pat, Janet or Ange

Leatherhead Pages

Information, news, events and happenings in and around
Leatherhead including news of joint Christ Church/LMC events

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From Thursday 8th to Sunday 11th September, many buildings will be open throughout Mole Valley to celebrate the best of the District's heritage. Some events will also be promoted and a programme of these together with a list of buildings being opened will be available nearer the time online at www.molevalley.gov.uk, from Pippbrook's reception, the Leatherhead Help Shop, local libraries and some other local outlets.

See page 29 for details of LMC's opening hours for Heritage Open Days. For more details on Heritage Open Days generally, see www.heritageopendays.org.uk.

**MUSIC
on
THURSDAYS
at LMC**



**WEDNESDAYS
at
CHRIST
CHURCH**

musiconthursdays.org

Music on Thursdays at LMC

30th June, 12.30 lunchtime

*Timothy Ridout, virtuoso viola player
student of the Royal Academy of Music*

Music on Thursdays at LMC

7th July, 12.30 lunchtime

*Gwyn Owen, trumpet
Rebecca Taylor, piano
courtesy of the Royal Academy of Music*

Music on Thursdays at LMC

14th July, 12.30 lunchtime

French music for Bastille Day

Emily Andrews, flute

Alice Rosset, piano

(la pianist aux pieds nus!)

Wednesdays at Christ Church

20th July, 12.30 lunchtime

Jonathan Melling

Organist & Director of Music

All Hallows by the Tower, London EC

Music on Thursdays at LMC

28th July, 12.30 lunchtime

Asagi Nakata, piano

courtesy of the Royal Academy of Music

All concerts: free, with retiring collection

Leatherhead Concert & Arts Society

Registered Charity 1166764

Music on Thursdays at LMC

4th August, 12.30 lunchtime

Roma Tic, violin

Aleksandr Myslek, piano

courtesy of the Royal Academy of Music

Music on Thursdays at LMC

11th August, 12.30 lunchtime

Jacqueline Phillips, cello

JS Bach Cello Suites No 3 & No 4

Wednesday at St John's

New Chapel, Epsom Road

17th August, 12.30 lunchtime

Florence Rousseau, Rennes Cathedral

Loïc Georgeault,

Rennes & St Malo Cathedrals

play the 2015 Tickell organ

Music on Thursdays at LMC

18th August, 12.30 lunchtime

Gwenllian Llyr, welsh harpist

courtesy of the Royal Academy of Music

Music on Thursdays at LMC

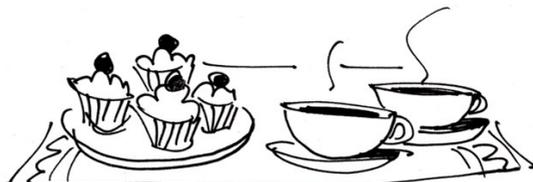
25th August, 12.30 lunchtime

Two classical guitars:

Francisco Correa & David Massey

LMC: Leatherhead Methodist Church,
Church Road, please use multi-storey
or Church Street car parks

Time for Tea



COME for TEA and COMPANY

from 2.30pm to 4.30pm
on the first Friday every month at

LEATHERHEAD METHODIST CHURCH

Next "Time for Tea" - Friday 1st July
(Stories by Joy)

There's no Time for Tea in August as "Holiday at Home" will be on 3rd August. The next Time for Tea will be on 2nd September, then every first Friday at LMC.



EVERYONE WELCOME

(Suggested donation £1)



Next Sisters' Get-Together

Saturday 9th July 2016
8.30am – 10.00am

Parish Church Hall, Church Rd,
Leatherhead

Why not come along for breakfast and a chat with friends ?

Chance to catch up over coffee, croissants, fruit and more

Followed by a short presentation by Rachel Hopper and Lucy Mason from

BE ME PROJECTS

They say:

We will be speaking on our charity called 'Be Me Projects', Lucy and I started the charity in 2014 and it has just grown and developed into a larger scale than we had envisioned. It is all based from the 'woman at the well' - John 4 story.

Be Me Project is the umbrella to many different programs but all have the core focus of self esteem / identity/ truth and purpose. We have connections to B@titude Leatherhead and Dorking and run one of the programs in a local high school.

For more details check out the website www.bemeprojects.org

Pay and display car park available behind the Hall
Donations welcome towards breakfast and the running of the group
Friends and neighbours welcome

Put the date in your diary now!

LEATHERHEAD METHODIST
e CHURCH

HOLIDAY AT HOME



Don't be on your own. Come and join us at Leatherhead Methodist Church for one day of fun.

Wednesday 3rd August



OPEN TO ALL

Activities and tea breaks/lunch break from 9.45am to 4.00pm. All details on the leaflet available at LMC, or phone Carol on 01372 362145. Booking forms must be returned by 7th July at the latest.

NEW FIRE

Don't forget to plan to come along to the contemporary New Fire service at 6.30pm on the fourth Sunday evening each month at LMC. Stay afterwards for coffee and a chat.

Next New Fire - 24th July



Next Messy Church for Leatherhead:

Thursday 21st July
3.30pm to 5.30pm at:

LMC



Men's Breakfasts

Leatherhead Men's Breakfasts will be at 8.00am on the following Saturdays:-

23rd July at Christ Church Hall

no meeting in August

24th September at LMC...

...then on the fourth Saturday each month

All men of any denomination or none are welcome. A suggested donation of £4 would be appreciated to cover costs; any surplus is donated to the speaker's preferred charity.



Leatherhead

Methodist Church

*Please see the Leatherhead Pages
(pages 19 - 24) for more news*

West Hill School Community Café...

...is held at LMC every Tuesday morning at 10.30am, except during school holidays.

West Hill School in Leatherhead is an outstanding special school for pupils aged from 11 to 16 with learning difficulties and autism. The café is providing learners with opportunities to develop work-related skills as well as social and communications skills. Please come along on Tuesday mornings to support this very worthwhile enterprise.

Prayer Breakfasts

Prayer breakfasts are held on the third Sunday each month at 9.00am. It's a bring and share (non-cooked) breakfast with a short time of prayer fellowship before the morning service. All very welcome.

LMC House Groups

LMC has three House Groups where Church members or friends can meet together on a regular basis.

These groups usually meet in someone's home, and are informal ways to get to know each other better, to share joys, concerns, and prayer requests if desired, and to discuss various subjects, either from the Bible or from other relevant Christian books. Everyone is very welcome to join a group. Please see Lynda if you are interested.



LMC Diary



July

Fri 1st 2.30pm Time for Tea (*to 4.30pm*)

Sun 3rd 10.30am Rev. Lynda Russell - Holy Communion

Tues 5th 10.30am West Hill School Café at LMC - all welcome
7.30pm Leadership Team meeting at Norma's

Thurs 7th 12.30pm Music on Thursdays (*see page 20*)

Sun 10th 10.30am Joint Service at Christ Church - Rev. Frank Smith with Holy Communion
6.30pm Rev. Paul Cockburn with Holy Communion

Tues 12th 10.30am West Hill School Café at LMC - all welcome

Thurs 14th 12.30pm Music on Thursdays (*see page 20*)

Sun 17th 9.00am Bring and Share Prayer Breakfast
10.30am Rev. Paul Cockburn

Tues 19th 3.00pm Service at The Beeches (*see page 27*)

Wed 20th 12.30pm Organ Concert at Christ Church (*see page 20*)

Thurs 21st 3.30pm Messy Church (*to 5.30pm*)

Sat 23rd 8.00am Men's Breakfast at Christ Church hall
(*see page 24*)

Sun 24th 10.30am Bob Boyce
6.30pm New Fire

Thurs 28th 12.30pm Music on Thursdays (*see page 20*)

Sun 31st No Services at LMC or Christ Church owing to Cycle Race

August

Wed 3rd 9.45am Holiday at Home (*to 4.00pm - see page 23*)

Thur 4th 12.30pm Music on Thursdays (*see page 20*)

Sun 7th 10.30am Rev. Lynda Russell - Holy Communion

Thur 11th 12.30pm Music on Thursdays (*see page 20*)

Sun 14th 10.30am Local Arrangement

Wed 17th 12.30pm Organ Concert at St. John's School
(*see page 20*)

Thur 18th 12.30pm Music on Thursdays (*see page 20*)

Sat 20th 8.30am Sisters' Get-Together at All Saints

Sun 21st 10.30am Rev. Lynda Russell

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Rev. Lynda Russell and Rev. Kim Plumpton**

September

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Fri 2nd 2.30pm Time for Tea (*to 4.30pm*)

Sat 3rd 7.00pm Rev. J. Jeyapaul - news of Kathryn's Mercy
Home. Find out more about the good
work going on in South India (*see p 28*)

Monthly Service at The Beeches Care Home

A service is held at The Beeches Care Home in Forty Foot Road at 3.00pm on the third Tuesday every month. If you feel you can assist with running the service, please contact Lynda.

Leatherhead Youth Project



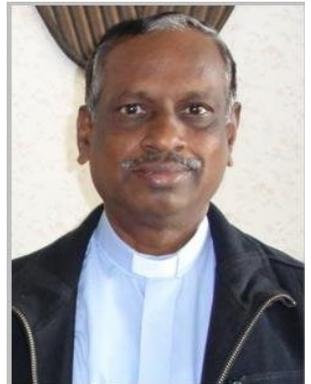
Joe and Jude Crome (Leatherhead Youth Project) were really chuffed to be invited to the Queen's Garden Party on 24th May.



They were nominated to attend for all the amazing work they do through LYP for the young people of Leatherhead.

Rev. J. Jeyapaul

The Kathryn's Mercy Home Trust (UK), is the British charity that supports the work of Rev. J. Jeyapaul with Dalit children and families in Devakottai, Tamil Nadu, South India. Rev. Jeyapaul and his son Charles will be visiting us on the first weekend in September. Rev. Jeyapaul is a friend of Rev. Ian Howarth's and has visited our church on several occasions in the past.



Come and join us to find out more about the good work that is going on in South India and also enjoy a meal together.

The event will be on Saturday 3rd September at 7.00pm at Leatherhead Methodist Church. All welcome.

Contact Carol Stoves for more information

HEARING CHAMPIONS at Martha's Market

On the **THIRD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH**, to be held as part of Martha's Market in the Parish Hall between 10.30am and 11.30am

FREE

Cleaning, re-tubing and battery replacement
for NHS Hearing Aids.

Come and see us there (please remember to bring along your brown NHS Battery Book which includes your settings and requirements) with your hearing aid.

Sheila Cole & Alison Draper

Hearing Champions

A Guildford Diocese initiative, in partnership with the NHS and St Mary & St Nicholas Parish Church, Leatherhead

Heritage Open Days in September

Leatherhead Methodist Church will be open on Saturday 10th September from 9.30am to 4.00pm and Sunday 11th from 1.00pm to 4.00pm as part of the National Heritage Weekend when public buildings, schools and places of historic interest are open to the general public. We will have on display the history of our Church and Methodism together with archives relating to John Wesley who preached his last sermon in Leatherhead in 1791.

Cyclists and walkers raising money for church restoration will be visiting and if you would like to help by being a steward and serving refreshments please get in touch.

Fred Meynen

tel: 01372 372930

Giving Thanks

Towards the beginning of each of our Sunday morning services, the roving mike is taken round the congregation so that anyone can express their thanks. A child may have had a birthday, someone could have been inspired by an outing, there are always family celebrations to share, or it might just be for an unexpectedly sunny day, or even rain after a dry spell.

Each Sunday I see Nature's marvels as I drive to church and give thanks for my senses to appreciate them. There are only three roads - Leatherhead Road, Young Street and Dorking Road, plus the last little bit round to LMC. Along the first section to Bockett's Farm, the fields are home to cows and sheep. In the last week the grass in the first field has been cut, releasing a wonderful smell. That was cleared for silage, and, for one day, from dawn to dusk, the huge machine throbbed away collecting it all up.

The wide verges along Young Street have sprung into a palette of colours as the flowers enjoy the longer warm days. There are tall white ox-eye daisies and the daintier sprays of cow parsley. Poppies make a bright splash of red, and the yellow ragwort and buttercups battle for space in the tapestry of flowers. It will not be long before the campion adds its pink blooms.

Dorking Road is more about trees and shrubs than flowers. The hawthorn, on the Thorncroft side, is almost over now, but bloomed as if there was no tomorrow! The 'candles' on the horse chestnuts have been prolific, and now the trees are in full leaf, the growth spreads across the road to shake hands with those opposite, and forms a cool arch to drive under. Unfortunately, by the end of August, the beetle grub harboured under the bark, will develop and suck the life out of those same leaves, making them dry and brown well before Autumn is upon us. So we must glory in them while we can and all else that Nature offers.

Jean Plant

Pastoral Visitors...

Pastoral Visitors' Prayer meetings are held at 2.30pm on the 4th Tuesday every month at LMC.

There are no meetings during the summer, so the next meeting will be on **Tuesday 27th September**.



LMC Family News

Welcome to the church family...

Twins, Freya Sue Crome and Olivia Faith Crome had their service of thanksgiving at All Saint's, Leatherhead on Sunday 17th April.

Congratulations to their parents, Jude and Joe Crome, grandparents, Carol and David Stoves and great grandparents, Margaret and Bernard Crome.

Our thoughts and prayers are with...

... Lynda, who had a successful operation, but with a slow recovery time. As we go to press, Lynda and John are on holiday on the Isle of Wight, and Lynda is continuing her recuperation there. By the time you read this, all being well, Lynda will be back at work before another period in hospital for a second operation. Our thoughts and prayers are with Lynda and John at this time.

Also with...

... Members and friends being looked after in nursing care or at home, and with all those who care for them day by day.



Christ Church

(United Reformed) Leatherhead

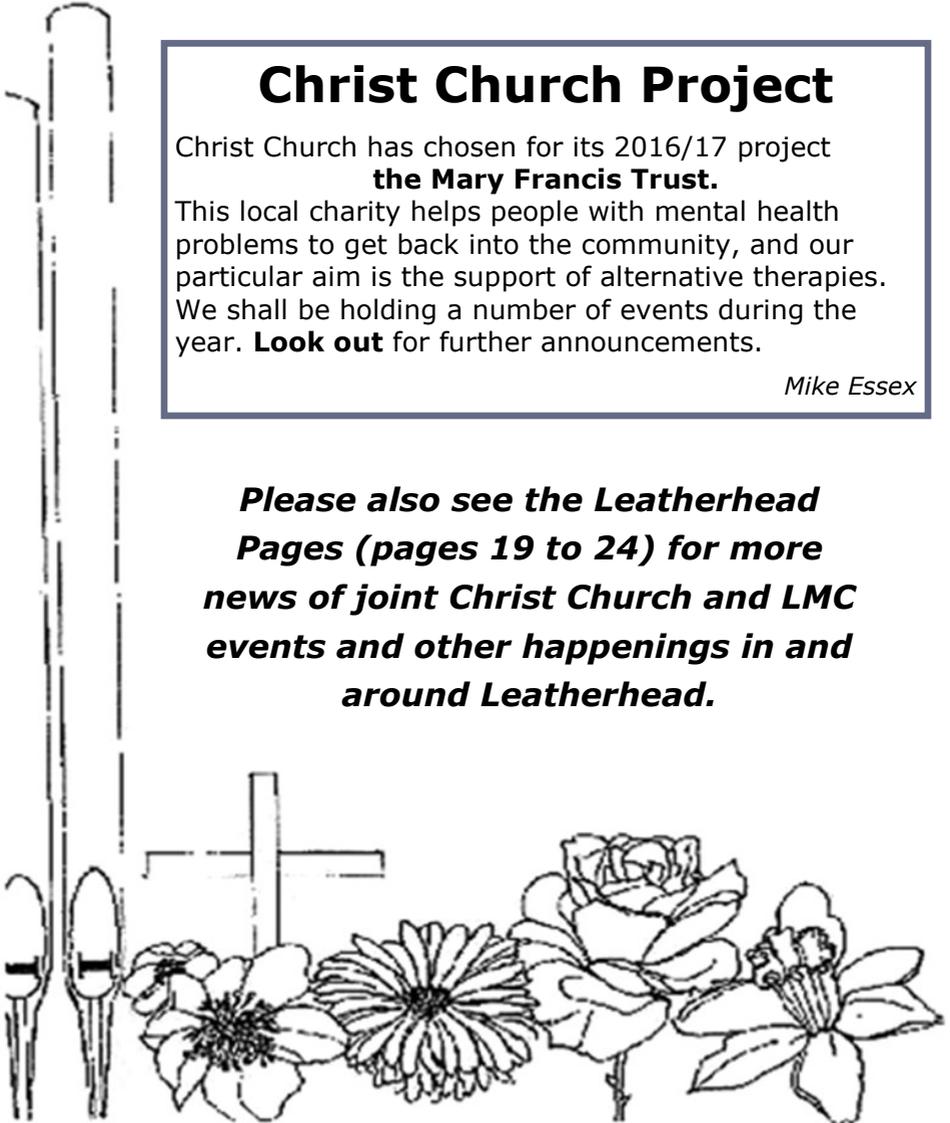
Christ Church Project

Christ Church has chosen for its 2016/17 project
the Mary Francis Trust.

This local charity helps people with mental health problems to get back into the community, and our particular aim is the support of alternative therapies. We shall be holding a number of events during the year. **Look out** for further announcements.

Mike Essex

***Please also see the Leatherhead
Pages (pages 19 to 24) for more
news of joint Christ Church and LMC
events and other happenings in and
around Leatherhead.***



Christ Church Family News



We hope that José Henderson will soon be well enough to return home after some weeks in hospital. We pray for her and John at this difficult time

Belated but warm good wishes to Nan Kemp who celebrated her 96th birthday on 17th June.

We are very sorry to report the death of Elma McMillan on 27th May, and extend our deepest sympathy to Gilbert in his loss. Elma was a faithful member of our congregation for over ten years until poor health prevented her from coming to church. We pledge our support and prayers for Gilbert in the days ahead. The Thanksgiving Service was held at Christ Church on 22nd June.

We send our very best wishes to Lynda for her recovery from her recent operation and also for her further surgery in July.

We pray for Hazel Yu as she undergoes chemotherapy. Our thoughts and prayers are with Ernest and all the family.

We remember these friends in our prayers, and those who are unwell, the recently bereaved, the lonely and the carers in our community.

Anne Cairns



Christ Church Diary



July

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| Fri | 1st | 2.30pm | Time for Tea at LMC (<i>to 4.30pm</i>) |
| Sun | 3rd | 10.30am | Rev Robert Blows |
| | | 2.30pm | CTiL Duck Race |
| Thur | 7th | 12.30pm | Music on Thursdays at LMC (<i>see page 20</i>) |
| Fri | 8th | 7.30pm | SoundBytes Concert |
| Sun | 10th | 10.30am | Rev. Lynda Russell - Joint Service |
| | | | at Christ Church with Holy Communion |
| | | 6.30pm | Rev. Paul Cockburn - at LMC |
| Tues | 12th | 2.00pm | Elders Meeting |
| Thurs | 14th | 12.30pm | Music on Thursdays at LMC (<i>see page 20</i>) |
| Sun | 17th | 10.30am | Rev Bruce Stuart |
| Tues | 19th | 1.45pm | Trinity School service |
| Wed | 20th | 12.30pm | Organ Recital—Jonathan Melling |
| Thurs | 21st | 3.30pm | Messy Church at LMC (<i>to 5.30pm</i>) |
| Sat | 23rd | 8.00am | Men's Breakfast at Catholic Church Hall
(<i>see page 24</i>) |
| Sun | 24th | 10.30am | Rev. Lynda Russell |
| | | 6.30pm | New Fire at LMC |
| Thurs | 28th | 12.30pm | Music on Thursdays at LMC (<i>see page 20</i>) |
| Sun | 31st | No service at Christ Church or LMC | |
| | | (Leatherhead road closures for "Ride London" cycle race) | |



August

Wed 3rd 10.00am "Holiday at Home" at LMC (to 4.30pm)

Thur 4th 12.30pm Music on Thursdays at LMC (see page 20)

Sun 7th 10.30am Rev Iain Stewart

Thur 11th 12.30pm Music on Thursdays at LMC (see page 20)

Sun 14th 10.30am Rev Lynda Russell - Holy Communion

Wed 17th 12.30pm Organ Recital at St John's School -
Florence Rousseau and Loïc Georgeault

Thurs 18th 12.30pm Music on Thursdays at LMC (see page 20)

Sun 21st 10.30am Thelma Roberts

Thurs 25th 12.30pm Music on Thursdays at LMC (see page 20)

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United Pastorate Service at LMC**

September

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Fri 2nd 2.30pm Time for Tea at LMC (to 4.30pm)

Sun 4th 10.30am Linda Richards

Pastorate Details

Details of the Services and Activities at each of the Pastorate Churches can be found on the appropriate website, or by telephoning the contact listed here:

Leatherhead Methodist Church:

Church Road, Leatherhead, KT22 8AY
www.leatherheadmethodist.org
Contact: Administrator -
Carol Stoves 01372 377125; Office 362145

Christ Church (United Reformed):

Epsom Road, Leatherhead, KT22 8ST
www.chch.org.uk
Contact: Local Church Leader -
Mike Essex 01372 273472

Effingham Methodist Church:

Chapel Hill, Effingham, KT24 5NB
www.effinghammethodistchurch.co.uk
Contact: Senior Steward -
Dave Putland 01372 454850

Cobham United Reformed Church:

38 Stoke Road, Cobham, KT11 3BD
www.cobhamurc.org.uk
Contact: Church Secretary -
Mary Langtry 01483 282421

Cobham Methodist Church:

Cedar Road, Cobham, KT11 2AA
www.cobhammethodistchurch.com
Contact: Senior Steward -
Rhonda Frost 01932 423100



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