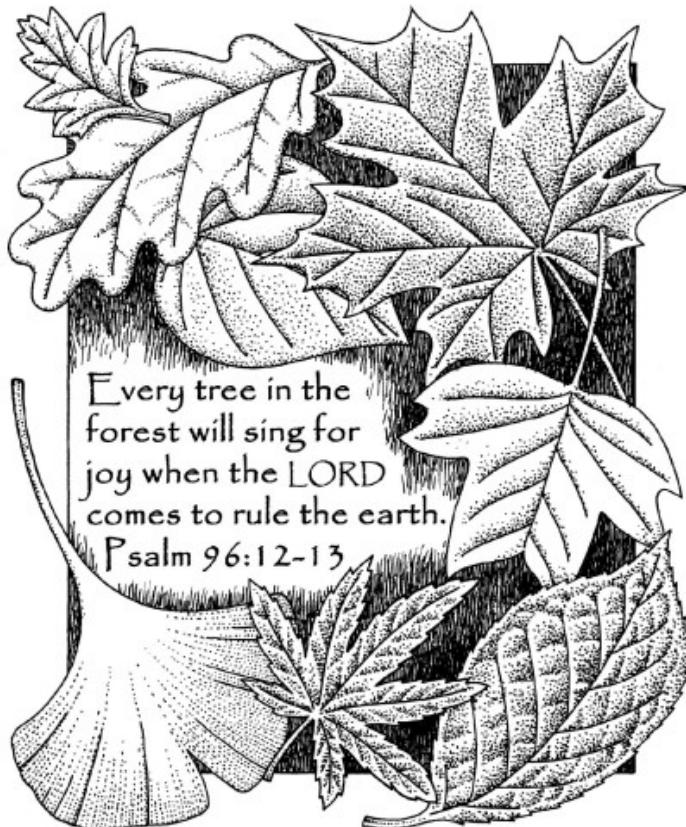


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*Congratulations and Very Best Wishes
To
Hannah Mulcock and Jack Newton
Who will be
Married at Leatherhead Parish Church
On
October 28th*

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The Ministers Write...

From Rev. Kim Plumpton

Dear friends,

Col and I took a trip to the Orkneys in the summer and on our journey upwards we felt drawn to go to Fort William. About ten miles from Fort William we passed a man hitchhiking at the side of the road. He wasn't a young man, in fact he looked to be in his late fifties or early sixties. Having gone past this man, due to the weight of traffic directly behind us, there was no doubt in both our minds that we should turn around and go back to pick him up. Which we did.

Once we'd welcomed him into the car he explained he had just finished cleaning the church. As the buses ran so infrequently he always reverted to hitchhiking to get back to Fort William where he had a flat. He rejoiced when he realised we too were Christians and during the journey back he began to share his story.

30 years earlier this man had been diagnosed as bipolar. Sadly as a result of his condition, he went on to murder his psychiatrist and therefore served 22 years in prison. While in prison he found faith. Believing that God had called him to share his story and become an evangelist, he was very happy to share his experience. He delved into his bag and pulled out two tiny pocket bibles and quickly gave one to each of us. When we arrived at Fort William he invited us for a coffee in the local supermarket. Col and I felt content to share further and for the next hour we talked not only about his journey of faith but ours too.

He spoke of living with bipolar, being on licence, trying to find a church that would accept him. He had visited a number of churches in the time since he had been released from prison but most had found it difficult to accept him once they listened to his story. Eventually he found the church outside Fort William who accepted him for who he was and embraced his love for the gospel. In response to their loving welcome he offered to clean the church on a weekly basis. He was not proud of his past but he could recognise a future held by a loving God and a loving fellowship.

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In this encounter the truth in its raw detail might give cause for some to move a step or two away but the gospel of Jesus Christ calls us to take a step closer. The gospel is not one that speaks of abandonment nor of hostility but one of reconciliation and of peace. Jesus' attitude to those who had different religious beliefs from his, or whose lifestyles did not conform to his values, is characterised by love, generosity and invitation.

Who could question this man's love for the Lord? Not I, the light of Christ shone from him, "*Teach me Lord to follow your decrees, then I will keep them to the end. Give me understanding and I will keep your law and obey it with all my heart. Direct me in the path. of your commands, for there I find delight.*"

Every blessing,
Kim

From Rev. Lynda Russell

In my September letter, we thought about being disciples rather than volunteers. A few people have mentioned to me that they have been reflecting on this since then.

As a follow up to our thinking last year about Radical Hospitality, and the above thoughts about disciples, I have begun a series of Sermons/themes based around the book 'Holy Habits' by Andrew Roberts. Those of you with good memories may recall that a number of the LMC Leadership team went to the 'Navigating Change' conference a few years ago. It was there that we heard of the Holy Habits, and Jean (Plant) even went to the workshop. Unfortunately they had misspelt the title, which became Holy Habbit!

Anyway we began in September thinking about "**The Nature of Discipleship**". This included 'The Adventure of Discipleship' and 'The Aims of Discipleship'.

In October and the following months (skipping December) we will continue with our thinking about "**The Nurture of Discipleship**". This leads us to the consideration of 10 'holy habits' which form us as Disciples. I believe that it's vital that we look at these together as a community of faith, and that we are 'intentional' about our discipleship. Nearly all of the 'Holy Habits' can be practised together,

and in this way we can grow the Kingdom in this place as well as in ourselves. Just imagine what we could achieve if we all committed to them!

In case you've forgotten or are wondering what these habits are, they are as follows (I'm sure you could guess most of them): Biblical Teaching; Fellowship; Breaking of Bread; Prayer; Giving; Service; Eating Together; Gladness and Generosity; Worship; Making more Disciples. [The last chapter is 'Dare to Dream'...!]

It's interesting that the word used in the title of the second part is "Nurture". This is a key theme from our Mission Statement at LMC, and this series is one way of embedding most of the aims of the Mission statement into our church and personal lives of discipleship. Someone has said that 'Church' is the plural of disciple. (If you haven't seen the Mission Statement yet, take a look on the back noticeboard at LMC).

I look forward to reflecting on these and other themes together in the coming months, and I dare to dream what can happen when we catch even a glimpse of what God can do. I hope you can join us.

Every Blessing
Lynda



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Time: 10:30 am

To book a place please contact: Revd Kim Plumpton
01932 586988
or email Kimp_822@hotmail.com

Cobham Methodist Worship Diary



October

- | | | | |
|------------|-------------|---------------------------|--|
| Sun | 1st | 10.30am | David Cappitt - Harvest Festival |
| Sun | 8th | 10.30am | Rev Kim Plumpton - Holy Communion
(Joint Service at URC) |
| Sat | 14th | 2.30pm | Platinum service |
| Sun | 15th | 10.30am
6.30pm | Rev Kim Plumpton (Joint Service)
United Circuit Service at London Road,
Horsham to receive James Wild and
Waseem Haq as accredited local
preachers. |
| Sun | 22nd | 10.30am | United Pastorate Service at CURC |
| Sun | 29th | 10.30am | David Cappitt |

November

- | | | | |
|------------|------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Sun | 5th | 10.30am | Rhys Frost |
|------------|------------|----------------|-------------------|

Church Meetings and Church Council Meetings

Sunday 15th October, following the service, there will first be a Special Church Meeting to elect members of the Church Council, then a meeting of the Church Council to receive Finance and Property reports for the year 2016-17.

Saturday 28th October, 10.00am. A Joint Church Meeting at CURC at which the proposal will be presented to the meeting concerning the coming together of CMC and CURC in a United Church.

Sunday 29th October, following the service, there will be a meeting of the Church Council to consider and vote on the proposal.



Cobham

United Reformed Church

Worship Diary

October

- Sun 1st 9.00am Early Bird Service
10.30am Rev Norman Edsall**
- Sun 8th 10.30am Rev Kim Plumpton - Holy Communion
(Joint Service)**
- Sun 15th 10.30am Rev Kim Plumpton - Joint Service at CMC**
- Sun 22nd 10.30am United Pastorate Service at CURC**
- Sun 29th 10.30am Rev Roy Bones**

November

- Sun 1st 9.00am Early Bird Service
10.30am Thelma Roberts**

Special Church Meetings

Saturday 28th October 10.00am A Joint Church Meeting at CURC at which the proposal will be presented to the meeting concerning the coming together of CURC and CMC in a United Church.

Sunday 29th October, following the service, there will be a Church Meeting to consider and vote on the proposal.

Cobham Events in October

Tues 3rd	9.45am	Church Walk
	8.00pm	Elders' Meeting (URC)
Thur 5th	6.30pm	Men's Fellowship at the Sir Douglas Haig, The Street, Effingham KT24 5LU
Fri 13th	10.30am	Small Group Leadership Training at CURC with Rev Andy Twilley (see p 6)
Thur 19th	7.30pm	House Group (<i>see below</i>)
Fri 20th	7.30pm	Joint Leadership Team at CMC
Thur 26th	3.45pm	Messy Church (at CURC) (to 5.45pm)
Sat 28th	10.00am	Joint Church Meeting at CURC

Note: Play and Chat has been suspended until further notice

Prayers at the Manse Wednesdays at 9.30am

October: 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th

House Groups

The House Group meeting in October will be on Thursday 19th at 7.30pm, continuing the study of Matthew's gospel.
For further details contact Brian Manners.

Your invitation to:



**Thursday 26th October
3.45 to 5.45
Cobham URC**



Join us with friends for 'The Time of Your Life'
at a charity screening of



in support of the Reed's Foundation and the
Simon Church & Jonathan Turner Bursary Fund

**Thursday
5th October 2017**

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Effingham

Methodist Church

Birthday Dates to celebrate this month:



Happy Birthday to **Jean McMillan** on the 8th, **Margaret Warner** on the 27th and **John Rogers** on the 30th.

Please let us know about birthdays and BIG anniversaries!!

Tuesday Teas

Fortnightly from 2.30pm to 4pm, for fellowship, chat, tea and cakes in St Alphege Hall, Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Lower Road, Effingham (and occasional outings).

Next dates: October 10th and 24th.

Some car transport can be arranged.

Contact Gill on 01372 457987 for more information.



Effingham Methodist Diary



October

- Sun 1st 10.00am Rev Gavin Hancocks - Harvest festival and Chapel Anniversary**
- Sun 8th 10.00am David Cappitt**
Tues 10th 2.30pm Tuesday Tea in the RC Hall
Thur 12th 2.00pm Christian Meditation in the church
- Sun 15th 10.00am Rhys Frost**
Thur 19th 12.30pm Oasis Bible Study lunch in the hall with Kim
- Sun 22nd 10.30am United Pastorate Service at Cobham URC**
Tues 24th 2.30pm Tuesday Tea in the RC Hall.
Thur 26th 2.00pm Christian Meditation in the church
- Sun 29th 10.30am Ecumenical Service at All Saints with Kim**

November

- Sun 5th 10.00am Rev Kim Plumpton with Holy Communion**

Prayer meetings are held at the Chapel every Friday at 9.30 am



We celebrate our
163rd Chapel Anniversary on
Sunday 1st October
with a special Harvest Festival
service led by our Superintendent
Rev. Gavin Hancocks @ 10am
followed by a pub lunch
at the Sir Douglas Haig (list in hall)
Collection for All We Can



Christian Aid Sing-along ?

Please come and join us for a **sing-along musical evening** in Our Lady of Sorrows hall on **13th October at 7.15pm**. **Sorry but we can't tell you which film yet !**

But it could be Grease, Gigi, High Society, Jesus Christ Superstar, Joseph, Cabaret or Seven Brides for seven brothers. Spoilt for choice! Some old favourites, like *Fiddler on the Roof* are sadly too long for a normal evening as it would be a marathon of nearly 3 hours ! How many songs will you remember ? Let's raise the roof and a few quid for **Christian Aid**.

An invitation graphic for Messy Church. It features the text 'Your invitation to:' followed by the 'Messy Church' logo, which consists of the words 'MESSY' and 'CHURCH' in white on a red, splattered background. To the right of the logo are several colorful, hand-drawn style splatters in purple, red, green, blue, yellow, and orange. Each splatter contains one of the following words: 'Activities', 'Songs', 'Food', 'Crafts', 'Games', and 'Stories'.

**St. Lawrence Church Hall in Brown's Lane
Wednesday 11th October & 8th November ~ 3.30 -5.30pm**



Dinosaurs & Luther !

Heritage Weekend was a bit bonkers this year ! The Effingham Residents Association had persuaded more local people in our village, and neighbouring Little Bookham, to open their doors on Saturday, then pushed a flyer with a map through every door ! So all 4 churches, plus 2 schools, golf club, tythe barn and the Grange were open, making 9 places to visit ! That's 4 more than previous years ! Mole Valley and Guildford brochures and the

Heritage Open Days website linked the sites with our Local Heritage Trail, and there was a real buzz as people tried to visit as many as possible !

The Chapel has been taking part since 2009, and opened up for 3 days as usual. With the help and support of so many of our church members, we provided lots of cakes and scones and ploughman's lunches ! Dave and I love history, which is fortunate as this year's big topic was the Reformation ! We linked Luther with John Wesley's "warmed heart" conversion, then added our local "Armada" hero, and Sir Barnes Wallis ; and not forgetting lots of dinosaurs, a plastic volcano, meteorites and some Chapel history ! It was our busiest year, with 118 adults and 17 kids visiting, lots of interesting conversations, many people stayed for ages.

One memorable comment overheard was Grandad telling his Grandson "I'm an atheist but like

visiting churches; this one's nice !" Phew !!! Thrilled ! Exhausting but such fun ! Kids just love dinosaurs ! What's the link you ask ? Baryonyx the Surrey dinosaur of course !

Ange & Dave Putland





Prayers in October.

Listed below are the **Special Sundays** and **Ecumenical Sundays** on the Methodist Church's website for this month. You'll also find resources and links to partner organizations.

<http://www.methodist.org.uk/prayer-and-worship/methodist-special-sundays>

Prisons Sunday is 8th October and Prisons Week follows.

There is an information and prayer leaflet which can be used by everyone who leads worship on Prisons Sunday. There are prayers, readings, hymns and a sermon online. You can visit the Prisons Week website on www.prisonsweek.org for additional materials including prayers, posters, worship resources and books.

Freedom Sunday – 8th October

Help to **Combat Slavery and Human Trafficking** ~ Representatives from different Churches and Organisations including **Churches Together in England** and across the world have put together resources for worship and action.

Background information and contact details online at : -

www.stopthetraffik.org/campaign/freedomsunday

One World Week - 22-29 October 2017

Theme is **GOOD NEIGHBOURS ~ My World Depends on Us**

For more information, see www.oneworldweek.org/v2 or contact PO Box 2555, Reading RG1 4XW. Tel: 0118 939 4933; email: enquiries@oneworldweek.org

Can I also suggest that you check out **Christian Solidarity Worldwide (CSW)** which works in over 20 countries across Asia, Africa, the Middle East and Latin America, defending everyone's right to freedom of religion or belief. Three quarters of the world's population lives in countries with severe restrictions on their religious freedom – in fact, it's one of the most widely-violated human rights in the world. <http://www.csw.org.uk>



Connect" a group for carers and partners with dementia

Come for refreshment, friendship, activities and fun.

We meet in St Lawrence Church Hall, Browns Lane, KT24 5LX in Effingham from 10am to 12noon on alternate Thursdays and also arrange monthly outings. Refreshments, friendship, chat and a good range of activities are on offer for all.

Next dates fortnightly, October 12th and 26th.
For more info. contact Gill on 01372 457987
email GillianMWalker@gmail.com
or Kim on 01932 586988

You don't have to live in Effingham to come and join us

Mission Aviation Fellowship

A reminder that we collect postcards for MAF, so please let us have any lovely postcards received from holidaying family and friends, and any old postcards that you are turning out. MAF can turn them into cash to support their work.

What does MAF do? "Working in partnership with hundreds of other Christian and relief organisations, MAF enables practical help, physical healing and spiritual hope to be delivered to many of the most remote and inaccessible communities on the planet."

See their exciting website: www.maf-uk.org



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No Luther ~ No Bach ?

Methodists owe a great debt to Martin Luther! Someone we met at a concert at the New Room in Bristol told us that he'd heard a fascinating programme on Radio 3, highlighting the importance of music, not words, to the Reformation. Although Luther didn't like the Church teasing money out of the gullible and persuading them that they could buy their way into Heaven, what he, a professor of theology, really wanted was for God to be made accessible to everyone; worship to be intimate, more direct, and in the language or dialect spoken by the ordinary people, not Latin. Faith was too important for its meaning to be clouded by that 'dead' language. Music, with its power to move emotions, was an "inexpressible miracle" second only to Theology. When people engage in music, Luther said,

singing in four or five parts, it is like a "square dance in heaven." Would Bach have created his *St Matthew Passion* without Luther?

Luther and J.S. Bach were both choristers at the same church in Germany, but 200yrs apart. As a chorister, the young J.S. would have sung hymns and metrical psalms written by Luther, both words and music. Lutheran melodies are threaded through Bach's work. Luther's ideas about music had a decisive influence on Church music, but it wasn't until 18th C. that the hymn-writing Wesley brothers managed to do for England's churches, what Luther had done for German ones two hundred years earlier.

No Luther, no Bach. It's that simple.

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Leatherhead Pages

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



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Next Sisters' Get-Together

**Saturday 7th October
8.30am – 10.00am**

Parish Church Hall

Speaker session, breakfast provided. Donations welcome to cover costs.
We welcome all women/girls across the Churches in Leatherhead,
together with any friends, family and neighbours.

Leatherhead's Lunchtime Concerts

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Music on Thursdays at LMC

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

- Thursday 5th October • 12.30 lunchtime

Jacqueline Phillips, cello

Richard Black, piano

music by: de Falla, Paganini's Caprice, Shostakovich

- Thursday 12th October • 12.30 lunchtime

The Two Classical Guitars of

Francisco Correa &

David Massey

Wednesdays at Christ Church

Epsom Rd, Leatherhead, KT22 8ST

plenty of on-site park available

- Wednesday 18 October • 12.30 lunchtime

Guest organist: Mark Brafield

Concert Recitalist

Music on Thursdays at LMC

Leatherhead Methodist Church, Church Road,

- Thursday 26th October • 12.30 lunchtime

The Kirkman String Quartet

from the Royal Academy of Music

The London College of Music with

Music on Thursdays at LMC

Leatherhead Methodist Church, Church Road,

please use multi-storey or Church Street car parks

- 2nd November

voice students

performing
opera highlights

- 9th November

pianist

selected from the
BMus/MMus courses

12.30 lunchtime concerts continue to the end of November.

These concerts are free to enter, with a retiring collection
to cover costs. Programme may change.

Sept



Next Messy Church for Leatherhead:

Thursday 19th October
3.30pm to 5.30pm at:





NEW FIRE will be at Allsaints again this month. Everything you love about New Fire plus great coffee! The coffee shop will be open from 6.00pm. Please park at Trinity School.

**Next New Fire - 22nd October at Allsaints
6.30pm**

Men's Breakfast



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

28th October at Christ Church
25th November at LMC

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.

Time for Tea



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Next "Time for Tea":

Friday 6th October

Entertainment by Hedley Kay

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Space Academy Holiday Club 2017



We had a fabulous time together at our joint churches holiday club in August. A large team of adults from Leatherhead Methodist, Leatherhead Parish and Christ Church together with around 65 children (5 to 11yrs) filled the church with noise, laughter, music, colour and lots of fun.

Our theme for the week was the story of Daniel and the memory verse was 'Trust in the LORD with all your heart and never rely on what you think you know'; Proverbs 3. We learnt how Daniel trusted in God and God looked after him through some very difficult times.

Each day we had fun with Hannah, Holly and others leading from the front. We began with an exercise video to get rid of a bit of energy then we had teaching, sketches, puppets and songs. Next we enjoyed games outside, crafts in the hall and group time back in the church with refreshments. We ended each morning with time together. The children and team thoroughly enjoyed it and are looking forward to next year. Many thanks to everyone who helped out.

Carol Stoves



Leatherhead

Methodist Church

Prayer Breakfasts

Prayer breakfasts are held on the third Sunday each month at 9.30am. It's a bring and share (non-cooked) breakfast with a short time of prayer fellowship before the morning service. All very welcome.

Next Prayer Breakfast is on 15th October.

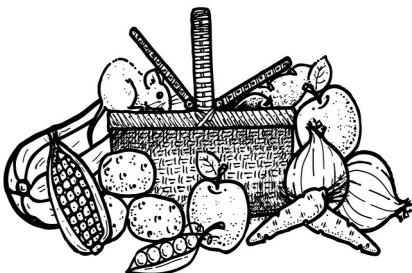
LMC House Groups

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 contact the church office if you are interested.



Combined Harvest Supper...



...with the Parish Church, Christ Church and Engage on Saturday 7th October at 6.30pm hosted by LMC. Food and Fun. Tickets £6 per head; family £12; single parent family £9 (same price as two years ago!)

Any queries contact Norma Shaw.

LMC Worship Band

Over the last few months we have enjoyed the enhanced accompaniment to our worship that a band of musicians can provide. Initially, we started with James on guitar and David on piano. But now, we have added Alison, who plays guitar, clarinet or trumpet, and Andrew who plays electric piano. James continues on guitar, either acoustic or electric, and Samuel has been a welcome addition by playing the drums. David now plays keyboard, or organ, as appropriate.

With more instruments, we can get a good lead, strong rhythms, and variation to the sounds we produce to help the praise time within our worship. It has enabled us to get a variety of different arrangements that help the congregation to enjoy worship.

From time to time Rhonda has joined us as a lead singer, and we have appreciated her singing with us. Also we have had Amy and Rachel playing their clarinets with us on various occasions.

If any other members of our congregation would like to join us occasionally, or regularly, either to play an instrument, or to assist in leading the singing, then please come and talk to us about it.

David Stoves

LMC Family News



Special Congratulations to...

...Lynda and John who celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary in September.

and Special Congratulations also to...

... Bernard and Margaret Crome who celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary in September.

Our thoughts and prayers are with...

... Pat Dampier, whose brother passed away in August after a long illness.

We remember ...

.....members, relatives and friends who are unwell, those in hospital, nursing or residential care, or at home, and the people who look after them day by day. We remember especially James & Jean Ross, and Harry & Peggy Robinson.

Pastoral Visitors...

Pastoral Visitors' Prayer meetings are held at 2.30pm on the 4th Tuesday every month at LMC. All pastoral visitors, Stewards and Christ Church Elders are welcome to attend.

The next meeting will be on **Tuesday 24th October** in the Vestry.



Diary



October

Sun 1st 10.30am Waseem Haq

- Thurs 5th 12.30pm Music on Thursdays (see page 19)
7.30pm Church Council
Fri 6th 2.30pm Time for Tea
Sat 7th 8.30am Sisters' Get Together - Parish Church Hall
6.30pm Harvest Supper at LMC

Sun 8th 10.30am Harvest Festival at Christ Church -

Rev. Lynda Russell

6.30pm Rev. Kath Jones - Holy Communion

- Tues 10th 7.45pm Leadership Team at Ron & Norma's
Thurs 12th 12.30pm Music on Thursdays (see page 19)
6.00pm Revive Youth Club

Sun 15th 9.30am Prayer Breakfast

10.30am Rev. Lynda Russell - Holy Communion

**6.30pm Circuit Service at London Road, Horsham for
Admission of Local Preachers - James Wild
& Waseem Haq**

- Wed 18th 12.30pm Organ Concert at Christ Church (see p 19)
Thurs 19th 3.30pm Messy Church (to 5.30pm)

Sun 22nd 10.30am United Pastorate Service at Cobham URC

6.30pm New Fire at Allsaints

(coffee shop open from 6.00pm)

- Tues 24th 2.30pm Pastoral Visitors' prayer meeting
Thurs 26th 12.30pm Music on Thursdays (see page 19)
Sat 28th 8.00am Men's Breakfast - Christ Church
11.00am Hannah & Jack's wedding at the Parish Church

Sun 29th 10.30am Church Anniversary - Philip Jones

November

- Thurs 2nd 12.30pm Music on Thursdays (see page 19)
Fri 3rd 2.30pm Time for Tea

Sun 5th 10.30am Rev. Lynda Russell - Holy Communion

REVIVE YOUTH CLUB



Come join us for fun and games, craft and activities,
singing and dancing, Bible stories and teaching,
tuck shop and new friends!

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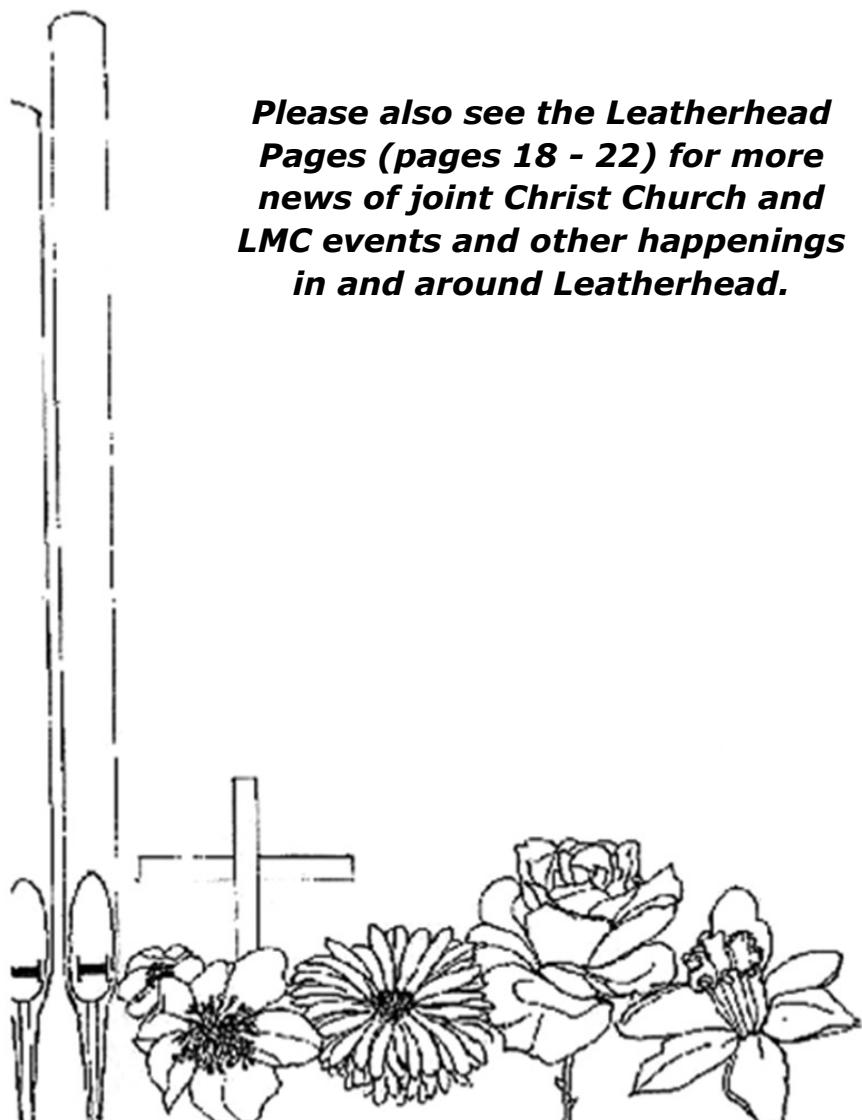
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Christ Church

(United Reformed) Leatherhead

Please also see the Leatherhead Pages (pages 18 - 22) for more news of joint Christ Church and LMC events and other happenings in and around Leatherhead.



Christ Church Diary



October

Sun 1st	10.30am	Mrs Heather Ward
	4.00pm	<i>Still Reforming:</i> St Columba's, Pont Street: "Scotland and its Reformation"
Tues 3rd	2.30pm	Elders Meeting at 38 West Farm Avenue
Wed 4th	7.00pm	House Group at 38 West Farm Avenue
Thur 5th	12.30pm	Recital at LMC (see page 19)
Fri 6th	2.30pm	Time for Tea at LMC
Sat 7th	6.30pm	United Harvest Supper at LMC
Sun 8th	10.30am	Harvest: Joint Service at Christ Church Rev Lynda Russell
Thur 12th	12.30pm	Guitar Recital at LMC (see page 19)
	6.00pm	Revive Youth Club at LMC
Fri 13th	10.30am	Leadership Training at Cobham URC (see p 6)
Sun 15th	10.30am	Rev Bruce Stuart—Holy Communion
	6.30pm	London Road Methodist Church, Horsham: Circuit Admission Service: recognition of James Wild and Waseem Haq as Local Preachers
Tue 17th - Thur 19th		Christian Resources Exhibition at Sandown Park
Wed 18th	12.30pm	Organ Recital - Mark Brafield (see page 19)
	7.00pm	House Group at 38 West Farm Avenue
Thur 19th	3.30pm	Messy Church at LMC (to 5.30)
Sun 22nd	10.30am	United Pastorate Service at Cobham URC
	6.00pm	for 6.30 All Saints: New Fire ecumenical service Please park at Trinity School
Thur 26th	12.30pm	Recital at LMC (see page 19)
	6.00pm	Revive Youth Club at LMC
Fri 27th	7.30pm	Choir Practice
Sat 28th	10.00am	Safeguarding Event at Kingston
	11.00am	Parish Church: Wedding of Hannah Mulcock and Jack Newton. Tea and cakes at LMC.

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October

Sun 29th 10.30am Mrs Vivien Gerhold

November

Wed 1st 7.00pm House Group at 38 West Farm Avenue

Thur 2nd 12.30pm Recital at LMC (see page 19)

Fri 3rd 2.30pm Time for Tea at LMC

Sat 4th 7.30pm Surrey Philharmonic Orchestra concert

Sun 5th 10.30am Mrs Heather Ward

Christ Church Family News

We are glad that Margaret Dodds-Ely is making a good recovery from shingles and leg problems. She is back on the golf course!

We are sorry that Keith Poulton is not so well and is increasingly housebound. It was lovely to see him at morning service recently.

Very best wishes to Eunice Paul on her 96th birthday at the end of the month.

We remember these friends in our prayers and all those who have health concerns, together with the carers in our community, the bereaved and the lonely

Anne Cairns



William Tyndale, Bible translator and Reformation martyr

This month is the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Reformation, and so a good time to pay tribute to an outstanding English scholar, translator and martyr of the Reformation.

William Tyndale (c. 1494 - 6th October 1536) was born near Gloucester, and studied at Oxford and Cambridge. He could speak seven languages, and was proficient in ancient Hebrew and Greek. As a priest, his abilities would have taken him a long way, but by 1523 Tyndale's only desire was to translate the Bible, so that English men and women could read it for themselves. It became his life's passion.

For Tyndale had rediscovered a vital doctrine that the Church had been ignoring: that of justification by faith. He had found it when reading Erasmus's Greek edition of the New Testament. In fact, his life's work was well summed up in some words of his mentor, Erasmus: "Christ desires His mysteries to be published abroad as widely as possible. I would that [the Gospels and the epistles of Paul] were translated into all languages, of all Christian people, and that they might be read and known."

Tyndale's translation was the first Bible to be published in English, the first to draw directly from Hebrew and Greek texts, and the first English translation to take advantage of the printing press.

It was to cost him his life. For Tyndale's work was seen as a direct challenge to the authorities. When they tried to stop his translation, Tyndale fled to Hamburg, Wittenberg, Cologne, and finally to the Lutheran city of Worms. It was there, in 1525, his New Testament emerged. It was quickly smuggled into England, and King Henry VIII, Cardinal Wolsey, and others, were furious.

Tyndale moved on to Antwerp, where for nine more years he continued his work. Then in May 1535 he was betrayed, arrested, and jailed in a castle near Brussels. Tied to the stake for strangulation and burning, his dying prayer was that the King of England's eyes would be opened. Sure enough, two years later King Henry authorised the Great Bible for the Church of England, which relied largely on Tyndale's work.

Not only that, but in 1611, the 54 scholars who produced the King James Bible drew very heavily from Tyndale. Even today we honour him: in 2002, Tyndale was placed at number 26 in the BBC's poll of 100 Greatest Britons.

Parish Pump

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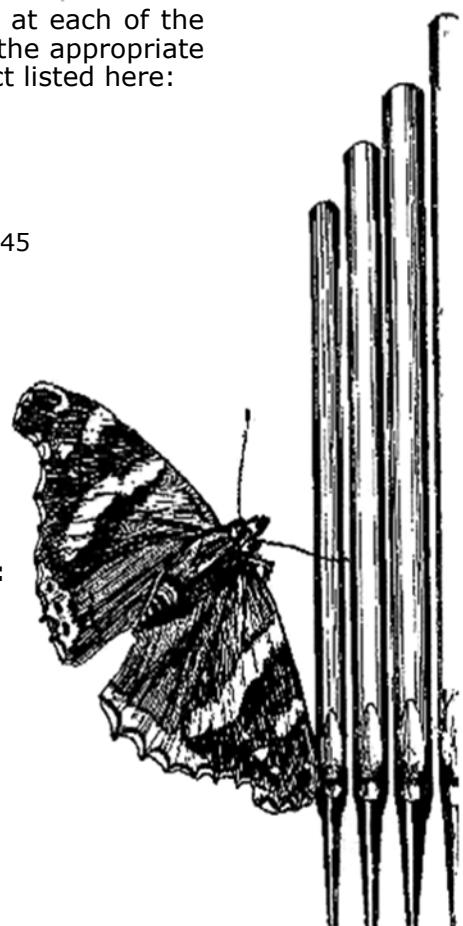
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