

## SHRIVENHAM METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY 20th November 2016

Welcome to our Church

Our Website: [www.shrivenhammethodistchurch.co.uk](http://www.shrivenhammethodistchurch.co.uk)

Our Vision: "To be an active part of the body of God, and to spread the Good News of Christ by word and deed in the local Community at every opportunity."

### Services Sunday 20th November

10.30 am	Jenny Corkett
6.30 pm	Revd Rachel Wilson
Steward	Janet Mawer
Door	Sue Colyer
Organ	Stella Tidmarsh
Readers	Sue Colyer/Phil Bunce
Creche	Bob Mawer
Flowers	Stella Tidmarsh
Garden	

### Prayers this week

**Circuit:** Upper Thames Circuit

**Rota:** All the different churches and fellowships in our local area, including our own pastoral groups and prayer groups

**Local Roads:** Stainswick Lane, Stoneleigh Close, Glebe Close, Sandy Lane, Charlotte Close

### Services for next Sunday 27th November

10.30 am	Ann Coventry
6.30 pm	Phil Bunce
Steward	Robin Christian
Door	Penny White
Organ	Stella Tidmarsh
Readers	Wendy Smith/Paul Holloway
Creche	Bob Mawer
Flowers	Stella Tidmarsh
Garden	Harold Taylor
Coffee:	Barbara Hawgood/Stella Tidmarsh

### Events this Week

#### **Monday 21st**

Eighth Alpha Session 7.00 pm  
Circuit Leadership Team meeting

#### **Tuesday 22nd**

Refreshers - 8.30am in front room  
Fish Group 1 7.45 at the Taylors

#### **Wednesday 23rd**

Songs & Stories for children 9.00

#### **Thursday 24th**

Prayer meeting 7pm in front room

#### **Friday 25th**

Tea at Longcot Chapel 3-4.30  
Hymn Practice at Stella's 8.00 pm

#### **Saturday 26th**

Prayer breakfast 8.30 in front room  
Christmas Market at Abbey Meads  
(see attached poster)

Prayer time for lay worker: As prayer is the focus of all our work in the church, it is proposed that we hold a short prayer meeting on alternate Sunday mornings leading up to Christmas, starting this week, 20th November. We will be praying for wisdom and guidance as we try to ascertain God's plan for our church in the way of lay work. Our minister, Keith, has asked for this to be held at 10.00 am for 15 minutes. Please come to church a little bit early and join us in the crèche area at the front of the church to pray.

**ALPHA** - course hosted at our Church, jointly run by the churches of Shrivenham - eighth meeting. Please continue to pray for the course, those attending and those helping.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

3rd October - 12th December - Alpha course  
21st November - Circuit Leadership Team meeting - 7.30  
8th/9th/10th December - Crib Fest in Church - 10.00-12.30 pm  
11th December - Christingle and Carols round the Tree  
14th December - Afternoon Village Carol Service at SMC  
15th December - Carols outside Sainsburys for NCH - 6.00-8.00 pm  
17th December - Carols outside Co-op 10.00 am  
18th December - Family Carol Service  
18th December - Carols by Candlelight at St Andrews - 6.30 pm  
22nd, 23rd, 24th December - church open from 10-00-12 noon  
24th December (Saturday) - Silent Communion at 11.15 am  
25th December - Christmas Day service led by worship leaders  
25th December - NO evening service  
1st January - NO service at Longcot  
8th January - joint Covenant Service  
11th January - Local Preachers & Worship Leaders meeting - SMC 7.30  
21st January - Circuit Day speaker/Bible Study - Revd Paul Wilson on 'Ezekiel: Seeking Spiritual Renewal' - Royal Wootton Bassett  
Friday 3rd March - Women's World Day of Prayer Service at Shrivenham Methodist Church

### **PRAYER FOR RENEWAL**

Heavenly Father, in Jesus' name we ask for a fresh outpouring of your Holy Spirit on your church in our community. Help us to grow in our experience of your love, forgiveness and healing. Challenge our contentment to stay as we are. Renew our vision of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ, that through our words and the way we live, others may be drawn to your way. Give us the wisdom to seek your will and grant us the joy that comes from wholeheartedly following it. For your glory and the good of all your people. Amen

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

Please send anything to be included in the notices to: [morvawhite@supanet.com](mailto:morvawhite@supanet.com) by Thursday.