

## SHRIVENHAM METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY 27th August 2017

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 27th August

10.30 am Ian Taylor

6.30 pm Richard Fergusson

Steward Gill & Paul Sharpe  
Door Lynn Pembroke  
Organ Stella Tidmarsh  
Readers Lynn Pembroke/Wendy Smith  
No Creche/Sunday Club during August  
Flowers Michelle Holloway  
Garden ?

### Services for next Sunday 3rd September

10.30 am Revd Mike Dilly (HC)  
3.00 pm Ecumenical service at Longcot  
6.30 pm Circuit Service at Toothill

Steward Gill & Paul Sharpe

Door Penny White  
Organ Stella Tidmarsh  
Readers Tony Belk/Nicki Norris  
Creche Bob Mawer  
Flowers Lynn Pembroke  
Garden ?

### Prayers this week

**Circuit:** MHA/Fitzwarren House

**Rota:** Agencies/Christian charities worldwide working with the under-privileged - Tear Fund, Red Cross Christian Aid, MAF, Send a Cow

**Local Roads:** Longcot Road, Church Walk, High Street

### Events this Week

**Monday 28th**

**Tuesday 29th**

Refreshers - 8.30 am in front room

**Wednesday 30th**

Songs & Stories for children

**Thursday 31st**

Prayer meeting 7 pm in front room

**Friday 1st**

Hymn Practice at Stella's 8.00 pm

**Saturday 2nd**

Prayer breakfast 8.30 in front room

Coffee Shop - Group 1

**Circuit Service** - at Toothill next Sunday starting at 6.30 pm. Revd Jan Partridge will be preaching. Please ask a steward if you would like a lift.

**Shrivenham Fete:** We have our usual cake Stall at the Fete so we need lots of cakes & goodies. You can bring your cakes to Church on Saturday morning - the front door will be open from 8.30 till 10.00. Otherwise please bring them to the stall from 12 noon. Thank you to those who have already offered help and support.

**Prayer Handbooks** - the next issue is now here. If you have ordered one please take it from the back of church and pay Pam or her appointed one the sum of £3.95.

**ALPHA** - Alpha Prayer Live - 11th-18th September - a week of prayer for churches across the UK as a new term of Alpha begins - our next Alpha course will begin in October.

**RIDE & STRIDE** - it's that time again - Saturday 9th September - Sponsor Forms are on the piano for all those ready to ride (bicycle or horse) or stride out on foot around the churches of our area. And for all of us who won't be riding or striding can sponsor someone who is, and sign up to man our church for an hour on the day.

**Circuit Notices:**

There is a leaving party at the church of Christ the Servant, Abbey Meads, Friday 15th September, 7.00pm for 7.30 pm, for Revd Canon Angela Overton-Benge who is leaving her post in Swindon in September (see attached invitation letter)

The final service at Blunsdon Methodist Church is on Sunday 15th October at 3.00 pm

**Information from the Stewards meeting -**

- The House Groups will discuss 'Future Ministry' and then report back to the stewards.
- Help is needed for the Village Welcome meeting, there is a rota on the organ.
- If you have any ideas for fundraising we will be happy to hear from you.

**Prayer before Service** - is still continuing for 15 minutes before our morning service.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

4th September - Worship Consultation meeting, Stella's at 7.30

5th September - Stewards meeting

9th September - Ride & Stride

23rd September - Welcome to Newcomers event - Memorial Hall 1-4.30 pm

26th September - Circuit meeting at Highworth, 7.30 pm

15th October - final service at Blunsdon - 3.00 pm

7th November - Church Council Meeting & ACM

**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

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