SHRIVENHAM METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY 26th November 2017

Welcome to our Church Our Website: <u>www.shrivenhammethodistchurch.co.uk</u> 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 3rd December

- 10.30 am Joseph Musungo
- 3.00 pm Carol Service at Longcot

StewardLinda HoodDoorMichelle HollowayOrganStella TidmarshReadersPaul Holloway/Mike BatheCrecheWendy PearceyFlowersMichelle HollowayGardenTony Belk

Services for next Sunday 10th December

10.30 am Revd Jan Partridge (HC)

6.30 pm Carols round the tree

StewardJanet MawerDoorPenny WhiteOrganStella TidmarshReadersLynn Pembroke/Harold TaylorCrecheBob MawerFlowersLynn PembrokeGardenIan Brodie

Prayers this week Circuit: Abbey Meads

Rota: Christian agencies & chari ties worldwide - Tear Fund, Red Cross, MAF, Christian Aid, Send A Cow, All We Can

Local Roads: Longcot Road, Church Walk, High Street

Events this Week

Monday 4th 10th Alpha meeting 7-9 pm Tuesday 5th Refreshers - 8.30 am in front room Revival Prayer meeting 7-8 pm Wednesday 6th Songs & Stories for children 9.00 Thursday 7th Prayer meeting 6.30 pm in SMC Friday 8th Hymn practice at Stella's 8.00 pm Saturday 9th Prayer breakfast 8.30 am Cafe Inspire Concert by Faringdon Singers*

Action For Children Cards: If you purchased any cards but have not yet paid, please could you give the money to Midge as soon as possible. Many thanks.

*Faringdon Singers Christmas Concert - Saturday 9th December at 7.30 pm in church. PLEASE contact Stella if you are able to provide some mince pies or help serve the mulled apple juice which will be served afterwards. Our church will be benefiting from half of any donations made.

Christmas Tree Festival - TreeFest - This festival will be on display at our Church on Thursday 14th, Friday 15th and Saturday 16th of December, from 10.00 am to 12.30 pm. Please come along and encourage others to come along as well. Enjoy looking at the

trees, have a coffee and mince pie. All proceeds are going to the charity *Action for Children.* How well do you know your Christmas Carols? The trees will be decorated in the themes of Carols! Do you think you can guess which carol each tree is depicting?

Also, on the Saturday morning (16th December) there is a children's workshop when we will help children make Christmas Table Decorations. There will be a charge of £5 per child (monies to Church Fundraising), but please try and book with Linda (783152) in advance. Refreshments will be provided.

Joyce - there is an invite to you all from Gill (Sharpe) to the celebration and thanksgiving service for her Mum. It is going to be in our church at 1.30 pm on Tuesday the 5th December, followed by light refreshments at the Crown, Shrivenham. She also says that as it is a celebration we can all wear bright colours.

Eileen - has been a very active member of our church for many years. Her Service of Thanksgiving will be on Thursday afternoon, 14th December at 3.30 pm. You are all welcome.

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2nd Oct - 11th Dec - Alpha Course - Monday evenings 7.00 - 9.00
9th December - Faringdon Singers Concert, 7.30 at SMC
10th December - Carols Round the Tree
14th,15th,16th December - Christmas Tree Festival - Tree Fest
20th December - Village Afternoon Carol Service at SMC 2.15 pm
21st/22nd/23rd December - church open 10.00-12 noon
23rd December - carols outside Shrivenham Co-Op 10.00 am in aid of Phakamisa charity
24th December - NO evening service
31st December - NO evening service
8th January - Worship Consultation meeting at Stella's - 7.45 pm
10th January - Local Preachers & Worship Leaders meeting - Royal Wootton Bassett
28th January - Joint Covenant service
3rd February - Bible Study Day at Highworth MC 10.00-4.00 - led by Revd Bev Thomas on
'Who do you see in the Kingdom of God?'
1st March - Church Council Meeting

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

Notices to Morva by next Thursday please for next week: morvawhite@supanet.com