# SHRIVENHAM METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY 7th February 2016

Welcome to our Church

Our Website: 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."

Steward

Garden

Services Sunday 7th Februar	V	Prav	ers	this	weel

10.30 am Revd Keith Osborn (HC) Circuit: Shrivenham & Longcot

3.00 pm Longcot with Sheila Knowles Rota: Our Minister/Circuit Super-

intendent, other Circuit Ministers, local preachers, worship leaders.

Door Tony Belk church leadership teams

Organ Stella Tidmarsh **Local Roads:** Fairthorne Way, Readers Tony Belk/Phil Bunce Mortree Court, Charlbury Road,

Creche Lynn Pembroke Cowleaze, Chapelwick

Flowers Linda Hood

## Services for next Sunday 14th February (Lent 1) Events this Week

Robin Christian

Stella Tidmarsh

10.30 am Lou Ashford Monday 8th

6.30 pm United Circuit Service at Morning Alpha Course

Tuesday 9th

Cricklade Refreshers 8.30 am in front room

Steward Janet Mawer Service and Church Council

meeting from 7.00 pm\*

Door Sue Colyer Wednesday 10th

Organ Stella Tidmarsh Songs & Stories from 8.45 am

Readers Sue Colyer/Bob Mawer Thursday 11th

Creche Linda Hood First Lenten meeting 7.00 see below

Flowers Stella Tidmarsh Prayer meeting 7pm in front room

Garden Janet Mawer Friday 12th

Hymn practice, Stella's 8pm

#### Saturday 13th

Prayer breakfast 8.30 in front room

Cafe Inspire

**Sunday 7th 3.00 pm**: Sheila will be leading our monthly United Service in Longcot Chapel and we will be celebrating the 19th anniversary of the re-dedication of the chapel. It would be lovely if as many people as possible could join us. Why not come along and stay for a celebration tea after the service.

**Tuesday 9th 7.00 pm -** Revd Keith Osborn will conduct a short (30 minute) Shrove Tuesday service immediately before the Church Council meeting. Agenda for this meeting plus minutes of previous Church Council meeting (29 September) are attached

Circuit Newsletter for February is attached

**SENIOR STEWARD** - HUGE THANKS to Pam for all her years of faithful service as Senior Steward in our church. Stella has now taken over that role and would be grateful if matters of general concern to (eg news of illness, prayer requests etc) could now be sent to her (782584 or <a href="mailto:sctidmarsh@gmail.com">sctidmarsh@gmail.com</a>)

**HELPING REFUGEES** - a visit to <a href="http://www.bootsforborders.org.uk">http://www.bootsforborders.org.uk</a> will tell you about a new way to send help to those in 'The Jungle' at Calais. A talk by the organisers over coffee after morning service at Rose Street Methodist Church, Wokingham, last Sunday resulted in a spontaneous collection of £600!

**Next Church lunch** - Sunday 21st February - please sign on the list on the organ if you would like to come.

**ECUMENICAL LENTEN COURSE** - this year will take the form of 3 talks, to be held at our Church from 7.30-9.00 pm. Thursday 11th February - Mission and Ministry in the Forces with Rhett & Liesel Parkinson. Thursday 25th February - Personal prayer (looking at how particular prayer styles best fit out personality) with Canon Richard Hancock. Thursday 10th March - The story of the hospice movement (a story of people and how they can come together to create something amazing) with Revd Norma Fergusson.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Alpha Course for 11 weeks from Monday (am) 11th January - 21st March Church Council Meeting - Tuesday 9th February, 7.00pm Lent Course - 11th February, 25th February, 10th March Next Church Lunch - Sunday 21st February Women's World Day of Prayer - Friday 4th March - Ashbury Free 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.

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

Please send anything to be included in the notices to: <a href="mailto:morvawhite@supanet.com">morvawhite@supanet.com</a> by Thursday.