

## SHRIVENHAM METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY 7th January 2018

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 7th January

10.30 am	Liesel Parkinson
3.00 pm	Ecumenical Service at Longcot
Steward	Linda Hood
Door	Morva White
Organ	Stella Tidmarsh
Readers	Morva White/Bob Mawer
Creche	Sue Colyer
Flowers	Morva White
Garden	Janet Mawer

### Prayers this week

**Circuit: Purton**

**Rota:** Those training for and working in ministry worldwide, especially Cliff College, and the work of Bible Society

**Local Roads:** Berens Road, Coxs Road, Salop Close, Springfield Close, Youghal Close

### Services for next Sunday 14th January

10.30 am	Revd Mike Dilly (HC)
6.30 pm	Adrian German
Steward	Janet Mawer
Door	Pam Mullin
Organ	Stella Tidmarsh
Readers	Pam Mullin/Ian Brodie
Creche	Nicki Norris
Flowers	Stella Tidmarsh
Garden	Ian Brodie

### Events this Week

#### **Monday 8th**

1st Alpha meeting 10-12.15  
Worship Consultation mtg - Stella's

#### **Tuesday 9th**

Refreshers - 8.30 am in front room

#### **Wednesday 10th\*\*\***

Songs & Stories for Children  
LP & WL mtg Royal Wootton Bassett

#### **Thursday 11th**

Prayer meeting 6.30 pm

#### **Friday 12th**

Hymn practice - Stella's 8.00 pm

#### **Saturday 13th**

Prayer Breakfast - front room 8.30  
Cafe Inspire

\*\*\* Leadership meeting next Wednesday morning - if there is anything you would like discussed, please tell one of the Stewards.

I have already thanked all those who kindly donated mince pies and helped in many ways over the Christmas period. But also, WE would like to thank the stewards and worship leaders for all their hard work in organising the events and services over Christmas.

**Christmas Tree Stands** - many thanks for loaning them to us - the remaining ones are now in the back room for collection.

## News from St Albans:

**There will be a Noah's Ark Party - Jonathan's Jungle Roadshow** on Thursday 11th January at St Albans - "an animal encounter with crafts, food and activities". There are 2 sessions (1) 3.15 - 5.15 or (2) 4.15 - 6.15. Children's places must be booked in advance by contacting Emily Young on 07422 972943 or email [fwstalbans@gmail.com](mailto:fwstalbans@gmail.com)

Also, calling all parents of children under 11! Being a parent is wonderful, but also really hard work. A **Care for the Family Parentalk** weekly course will be starting on Wednesday 31st January at St Albans - 12.45 - 2.45. The charge will be £5 per person (to cover cost of course books and refreshments). Pre-school children are welcome to come along too. Please contact [fwstalbans@gmail.com](mailto:fwstalbans@gmail.com) or phone Emily on 07422 972943 for further information.

**A new Alpha Course** will be held in SMC on Monday mornings starting this Monday 8th January to 26th March (10.00-12.15). The first session will be a taster session so please bring your friends, family and neighbours to give Alpha a try. Information leaflets are available or contact Jane Ahern [thestable@protonmail.com](mailto:thestable@protonmail.com) or 01783 783521

**Mince Pie fund:** Time to give in donations to Phakamisa

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

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

8th January - Worship Consultation meeting at Stella's - 7.45 pm  
8th Jan - 26th March - next Alpha Course - 10.00-12.15 at SMC  
10th January - Local Preachers & Worship Leaders meeting - Royal Wootton Bassett  
25th January - Circuit meeting at Cricklade 7.30 pm  
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](mailto:morvawhite@supanet.com)