

## SHRIVENHAM METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY 9th February 2020

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 9th February

10.30 am Local Arrangement

6.30 pm Revd Rachael Wilson (HC)

Steward Robin Christian  
Door Nicki Norris  
Organ Stella Tidmarsh  
Readers Nicki Norris/Janet Mawer  
Flowers Michelle Holloway  
Coffee: Linda

### Services next Sunday 16th February

10.00 am Revd Rachael Wilson (HC)

6.30 pm First Lent Study

Steward Wendy Pearcey  
Door Sue Colyer  
Organ Stella Tidmarsh  
Readers Sue Colyer/Lynn Pembroke  
Flowers Helen Taylor  
Coffee Val & Clare

### Prayers this week

**Circuit: Westlea**

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

**Local Roads:** Stainswick Lane  
Mortree Court, Charlbury Road  
Cowleaze, Chapelwick

### Events this Week

#### **Monday 10th**

5th Alpha meeting 10-12

#### **Tuesday 11th**

Refreshers - 8.30 am in front room  
Ladies Bible Book Club 10-11

#### **Wednesday 12th**

1st Lent Course, Ashbury 10.30-12  
Songs & Stories for Children

#### **Thursday 13th**

Fellowship & prayer mtg 6.30 pm

#### **Friday 14th**

Morning prayers 7.45 am

#### **Saturday 15th**

Prayer Breakfast in front room 8.30

**Connexion** - please take a free copy from the Foyer - it's a good read

#### **Future Lay Worker Requirement reminder:**

The circuit are considering their needs for lay work after 1st January 2021. To this end we have to consider our own needs and put forward a request to the circuit. This needs to be completed by the end of February.

This is still a very new situation for us as Phoebe only joined us in September. She has been busy making connections and starting some new initiatives and has other ideas moving forward. To this end, the stewards have decided to make over our meeting on **17th February** to consider our way forward. As we would like to hear from as many people as possible we are going to make this an open meeting where anyone interested in lay work is invited to join us. If you would like to come can you please let Linda know so that we can confirm the venue.

### **Also, a message from Phobe: Family Games Afternoon**

Families of all ages invited to come along to SMC on Wednesday the **19th February** for a fun afternoon of board and other table top games. Tea, Coffee, and biscuits provided. Bring along your favourite games to share, or try out some new ones:

**Easter Craft Morning:** Save the date: Messy Church style craft morning on Saturday **18th April**. More details to come.

AND Volunteers Needed: If you currently help with the children's ministry at SMC, or would like to, we need volunteers to help with the Family Games Afternoon (19th February) and Easter Craft Morning (18th April) in a variety of capacities including welcoming, serving tea and coffee, and supervising craft tables. All volunteers must go through safer recruitment and have a valid DBS. Please email Phoebe at [familiesworker@rwbmc.co.uk](mailto:familiesworker@rwbmc.co.uk) and cc [circuitsafeguarding723@gmail.com](mailto:circuitsafeguarding723@gmail.com) to volunteer.

Thank you,

Phoebe Wills

Families and Community Worker for RWB and SMC: [familiesworker@rwbmc.co.uk](mailto:familiesworker@rwbmc.co.uk)  
07719 868984

**Lent Studies** - remember that both the Methodists and Anglicans are running *the Bible Course* simultaneously this year. You are all welcome to join either meeting or even switch between the two, depending on your own commitments.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MORNING SERVICE ON 16TH FEBRUARY WILL START AT  
10.00 AM NOT 10.30 AM**

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

13th January - 30th March - 10.00-12.00 - Alpha Course  
5th February - talk by David Hamshire - 7.45 pm in back room of church - all welcome  
12th February - Lent Studies start - Ashbury Evangelical - 10.00-12 noon  
16th February - Lent Studies start - Sunday evenings at SMC - 6.30 pm  
17th February - meeting to discuss future lay worker requirements  
19th February - Family Games Afternoon at SMC  
6th March - World Day of Prayer Service - 2pm at Ashbury  
5th April - Palm Sunday - procession along High Street to St Andrews for 10.15 service  
10th April - Good Friday service at SMC 9.30 am  
18th April - Easter Craft Morning

### **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.