

Stewards Welcome Door Music PA/PC Prayer Min Morn Coffee Holy Comm	Sunday 18 March 10.30 St Pastor Commissioning Brenda Edwards, Celia Woodfine Sue Withinshaw Beryl Briggs, Dorothy Burfitt Keith Crawford David Limmer/Mike Buckle Jane Heath & Amy Davies New Yatt Road House Group	Sunday 25 March 10.30 Morning Service Val Seedhouse, Helen Williamson Mary Jordan, Les & Sue Harley Rachael Prince Guy James/Naomi Prince Tom Southam & Chris Lapworth Witney View House Group
	Steward Music	15.00 Newland Service Val Seedhouse
Steward Welcome,Door Music PA Holy Comm	18.00 Holy Communion Rosie Jones Sue Harley Paul Reed Les Harley Roy, Marie	18.00 Evening Service Rosie Jones Shirley Richardson Peter Hunt Dave Richardson

**News Sheet Items to Ann-Marie Purkiss by 12noon on Wednesday 21 March for Sunday 25 March '18
email: pa/minister@witneymeth.org.uk**

VACANCY AT THE HOMESTEAD, CARTERTON—CHAPLAIN—Would you like to make a positive contribution to benefit older people. 25 hours per week. Deadline 8 April. Apply online at <http://www.mha.org.uk/careers> or contact regional Chaplain: peter.slee@mha.org.uk

THE CHURCH COFFEE BAR

is open each day from 10am—2.45pm and on Saturday from 9.30am—12.30pm, Except bank holidays

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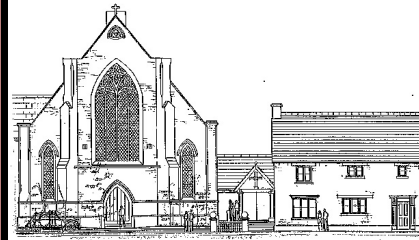
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HIGH STREET METHODIST CHURCH, WITNEY



*We extend a warm
welcome to you today.
May you be filled
with the grace, peace
and love of our risen
Lord Jesus Christ*

SUNDAY 18th MARCH 2018

**10.30 Morning Service & Commissioning
of Street Pastor, Stevie Green**
Rev Melanie Reed



16.00 Sunday Afternoon Cream Tea

18.00 Holy Communion
Rev Melanie Reed

We pray for all those leading worship around our Circuit .
The ministry of prayer is available after the service in the
area under the stained glass window. If you are unable to
move there, please let a Steward know,
so that they can come to you.

A loop system is available for those with hearing aids.
Junior Church is available for children and young people
up to 16 years except at All Age Worship

“SING THE HYMNS & HEAR THE STORIES”

CONCERT IN AID OF THE ORGAN FUND

7.30PM 5 MAY '18

An evening with Songs of Praise presenter Pam
Rhodes, and conductor Paul Leddington Wright

week commencing 18 March

Monday 19 March	10.30	COLWELL HOUSE GROUP will be meeting at 92 Colwell Drive. New Members welcome Contact Elgin & Nancy on 01993 866546
Tuesday 20 March	10.00-12noon 10.30	KNIT'N'NATTER join us in the coffee bar New Yatt Road House Group (56) Contact Ken Mumford on 01993 703162. Coffee from 10.15 As this is the last group before Easter we shall meet in fellowship for a soup lunch after the meeting, all will be welcome to stay if they wish.
	19.30	VANNER ROAD HOUSE GROUP: Contact Anne Crawford on 01993 704121
	NOTE:	WITNEY VIEW HOUSE GROUP WILL NOT BE MEETING UNTIL AFTER EASTER
Wednesday 21 March	10.00-12noon 09.30-10.45	CHURCHES TOGETHER COFFEE MORNING SPACE 2B space and quiet with some discussion followed by led quiet prayer, at the home of Brenda Woods, 6 Spring Close. Please arrive from 9.15am. Tea/Coffee afterwards. For details, phone Brenda on 700715.
Thursday 22 March	09.30 18.00-20.00 19.30 20.00	45 MINUTES PRAYER TIME in the Susannah Rm BOYS BRIGADE Juniors 8-11 years NEWLAND FELLOWSHIP: Steve Holbrook PRINCES' HOUSE GROUP: 238 Thorney Leys. Contact Rachael and Ian on 01993 773651
Friday 23 March	09.00 09.45-11.00	MAN FRIDAY WESLEY BABY & TODDLER GROUP
Saturday 24 March	09.30-12.30	CHARITY COFFEE BAR: Wood Green Interact
Sunday 25 March	10.30 15.00 18.00	MORNING SERVICE: Mr Ian Prince NEWLAND CHURCH SERVICE: Rev Fred Ireland HOLY COMMUNION: Mr Owen Carney

THE WESLEY TODDLER GROUP FAMILY that was in crisis wishes to thank you for the meals being provided, they are a great help and blessing and received with much gratitude.

WITNEY & DISTRICT LENT SOUP LUNCH & BIBLE STUDY 12.30PM—2.15PM
Friday 23 March—Our Lady & St Hugh
LENT QUIET DAY—Theme 'Connections' will be on Saturday 24 March
10am—4pm at Witney Congregational Church



Members will be sorry to hear of the death last Saturday of Glynn Bryon, a long-time member of High Street until he moved to Swindon in sheltered accommodation with his wife, Ruth, in order to be near to their son, Ian.

SPRING BIBLE STUDIES
WITH REV MELANIE REED
THE BOOK OF RUTH
What hidden gems can we find in this familiar story?
Sundays 8, 15, 22, 29
April, 6pm

Lent Quiz.

Proceeds in aid of the Organ Fund. How much do you know about Lent? Why not have a go at the latest seasonal quiz? Quiz sheets available from Val Donoghue from 25 February. Entry £2. Prize—Easter chocolate.

On Saturday 19 May we have been invited to host the Children's tent at the **WITNEY FOOD FESTIVAL**, a great opportunity to be visible in the community having creative fun and advertising what we offer as a Church. We need volunteers to be part of a rota on the day assisting children with activities. Also people who can be available to set up or pack down including transporting tables. I hope to pull together a planning meeting soon after Easter to prepare. Please let me know if you can get involved. Thanks. *Deacon Ellie Griffin deaconellie@gmail.com 01993 866695.*

As part of this year's **THY KINGDOM COME** prayer event the Churches in Witney are working together to host several activities between 10 and 20 May. One of the activities on offer is a Prayer Pot containing 10 different, creative and imaginative ways to pray. The idea is that the pots will be given away to families who are connected with our Churches to encourage them to pray together. The more we can make the more we can give away so please do some and help put them together and share fellowship with the other Christians in town while doing so. **Prayer pot-making sessions:** Monday 16 April at 7pm and Thursday 19 April at 10am at the Congregational Church.

BENEVOLENT FUND It has been brought to our notice that we are not claiming any Gift Aid for donations to the Benevolent Fund. There are some envelopes available for anyone wishing to use them for their donations. There is no obligation to give regularly, the frequency is up to you. These envelopes can be put in to the collection plates at the close of a Communion Service or put into the general offertory plate if you prefer. Please contact Shirley Richardson in person or telephone 01993 772292.

Sensing God

A silent retreat at Douai Abbey Friday 6—Sunday 8 April 2018. Organised and led by Becky Fisher and Katherine Bloomer on behalf of **reflect**. Methodists supporting retreats and spirituality. Forms are available on the Coffee Bar notice board or you can run one off from the Website.