



Welcome

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

Stewards Welcome Door Music PA/PC Prayer Min Morn Coffee Holy Comm	Sunday 10 March 10.30 Holy Communion Sue Harley, Celia Woodfine Mary Jordan Pam Evans, Shirley Hopkins Peter Hunt Daphne Groat/Ian Prince Tina & Mike Limmer Men & Ladies Friday Sophie, Marie, Geraldine	Sunday 17th March 10.30 Morning Service Tina Limmer, Sandra Robinson Ken Bennett Mike Limmer, Wyn Hunt Keith, Peter, Rachael, Orchestra David Limmer/Mike Buckle Ken & Phyl Bennett Colwell Drive House Group
Steward Music	3pm Madley Park House Sophie Hickman Paul Reed	
Stewards Welcome/Door Music PA/PC	18.00 Bible Study Roy Cobb Sue Harley Paul Reed Les Harley	18.00 Bible Study Rosie Jones Shirley Richardson Paul Reed Dave Richardson

**NOTICES TO ANNMARIEPURKISS@YAHOO.COM BY WED 13 MARCH
FOR WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 17 MARCH '19**

LECTIONARY READINGS NEXT TWO WEEKS:

10 March Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 Romans 10:8b-13 Luke 4:1-13
17 March Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 Psalm 27 Philippians 3:17 – 4:1 Luke 13:31-35 or Luke 9:28-36 (37-43a)

**GO TO WWW.WITNEYMETH.ORG.UK—CLICK ON THE TAB 'CHURCH LIFE', THEN
CLICK ON LLECTIONARY READINGS FOR 2019**

INVESTING IN YOUR RELATIONSHIPS:

One day marriage by Design Day (flexible dates in April or May)
Already married/living as married: The Marriage Course Monday evenings from 13 May.
 Further information can be found at themarriagecourse.org.
 Or contact Paul & Judith Ledden: Judith@coggesparish.com

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**1ST SUNDAY IN LENT
SUNDAY 10TH MARCH 2019**

10.30 Holy Communion

Rev Melanie Reed

Benevolent Fund Offering

This fund is used by the Minister for those in dire need. Traditionally an offering for this fund has been taken at every main morning Communion Service. In future an offering will be taken at the first Communion Service in each quarter beginning this week 10th March. Future offerings will take place in June/Sep/Dec/Mar each year. Thank you for your huge generosity, I promise you that the money given is always used with care.

Rev Melanie

15.00 Madley Park Service

Rev Melanie Reed

18.00 Spring Bible Study—Haggai

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

The Church Coffee Bar

Opening Times

10am—2.45pm during the week
 Saturday Charity Coffee Bar 9.30am—12.30 pm



CHARITY EASTER CARDS: Mike Limmer is again offering a wide selection of Easter cards, price 50p each, with all profits being shared between the Christian charities

Support for Romania, Starfish Asia and Barnabas Fund.

These are available from St Andrews Bookshop or directly from Mike



church diary this week

Mon 11 March	14.30	WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP: in the Wesley Room. A quiz by Ann Worrall. Followed by tea and biscuits.
Tues 12 March	09.45-11.15 10.00-Noon	GRANDPARENTS GROUP In the Radford Room KNIT 'N' NATTER —Join us in the Coffee Bar
Wed 13 March	09.30-10.45	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.
Thurs 14 March	09.30 18.30-20.00 19.30	45 MINUTES PRAYER TIME In the Susanna Room BOYS BRIGADE: Juniors 8-11 years NEWLAND CHURCH: Rev Dr Jason Boyd
Fri 15 March	09.00 09.45-11.30 12 noon	MAN FRIDAY WESLEY BABY & TODDLER GROUP LENT SOUP LUNCH AT ST MARY'S ON THE GREEN
Sat 16 March	09.30-12.30 10.30-15.00	CHARITY COFFEE BAR: 4th Brownies LISTENING SKILLS COURSE 10am-3pm at Congregational Church, Witney. Leaflets are on the table in the foyer.
Sun 17 March	10.30 16.00 18.00	MORNING SERVICE: Mrs Dawn Haley SUNDAY AFTERNOON CREAM TEA Join us for company, chat and great food. BIBLE STUDY—HAGGAI: Rev Melanie Reed

Lent Soup Lunches—Proceeds to Christian Aid
 Friday 15 March—St Mary's on the Green,
 Thursday 21 March—Congregational Church
 Thursday 28 March—High Street Methodist Church,
 Friday 5 April—Our lady & St Hugh
 Wednesday 10 April—Davenport Road Methodist

**PLEASE SAVE YOUR MILK
 CARTON TOPS AND GIVE TO
 ANN-MARIE PURKISS VIA THE
 PIGEON HOLE (JUST FOR THE
 MONTH OF MARCH).**

CHARITY COFFEE MORNING—SATURDAY 23 MARCH, 2019 For the Ecumenical Accompaniment programme in Palestine and Israel (EAPPI) Chris Walker will talk about the work of EAPPI between 10.30am - 1.30am. All welcome.

Rev Melanie's Leaving Service will be at 10.30 am on Sunday 28 July.

Rev Jason Cooke's Welcoming Service will be at 7.30pm on Thursday 29 August
 District Chair, Rev Helen Cameron Will be joining us

ADVENTURE PLUS invite you to their Annual Directors' Open Afternoon at 2pm on Saturday 16 March in the Activity Hall, Clanfield. This is a great chance to hear news of many achievements and encouragements in 2018 and the exciting opportunities, challenges and planned developments for the year ahead. Please invite guests who might be interested and do let us know you are planning to join us so we can ensure there is plenty of cake!
 margaret@adventureplus.org.uk
 We still have vacancies for: Centre Manager and Bookings Coordinator for Windmill Farm, Adventure Base Construction Coordinator Fundraising Coordinator, Chief Instructor Windmill Farm Kitchen Assistant

YARNTON SILVER BAND
 Saturday 23 March at 7pm at Long Hanborough Methodist Church in aid of VICTA (Visually Impaired Children Taking Action). Refreshments will be provided. Entry free—retiring collection. Further information from David Sarbutts on 01993 779579
HANDEL'S MESSIAH (parts 2&3) celebrating St Mary's 775th anniversary by Windrush Choral Society & Choir of St Mary's, Saturday 23rd March 6.30pm, St Mary's, Church green.

LENT QUIET DAY Thursday 28 March '19 at the Congregational Church 10am-4pm. Coffee will be served from 9.45am. Please bring a packed lunch, notebook & bible. Drinks will be provided. Donations towards expenses will be appreciated. For more information contact the Rev Joy Hance on 01993 707935 or email joy@witneyparish.org.uk by Sunday 24 March.

NATIONAL CALL TO PRAYER— 7-8pm Thursday 28 March. Join Cogges Church to pray for the Nation at this key moment of transition. Bring a candle as a reminder that we are asking God to be a light to our path and guide to our nation.

LONG HANBOROUGH METHODIST CHURCH invites you to join their Away Day at Open Doors, Range Road, Witney on Saturday 13 April 10am—3pm. Coffee from 9.30am. Led by Andrew Maisey, based on the book 'Talking of God Together'. Cost £5 per head. Bring your own lunch, coffee, and teas will be provided. Further info from Valerie Tee 01993 882891.

SAFEGUARDING CREATING SAFER SPACE FOUNDATION COURSE
 For those that are working with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults and have not attended a foundation course before, this is for you!
 7.30pm, Thursday 16 May 2019 at Davenport Road Methodist Church. Please let Ann-Marie pa/minister@witneymeth.org.uk know if you will be attending.

COFFEE BAR VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY REQUIRED: Can you help?
 2 people to work alternate Fridays 10-12pm starting 15 Feb
 Thank you, David and Celia Woodfine