

THE WEEKLY WINDOW



Sunday 13th May 2018

A very warm welcome to our service this morning which will be led by Paul Batson.

Duty Elder: Victoria Paulding

Hymns: R & S 565, MP 33, MP 37, 41

Readings: John 17: 6 – 19; 1 John 5: 9 - 13

You are warmly invited to stay for refreshments in the foyer after today's service.

18.00: Christian Aid United Service to commission, support and uphold those collecting during the week, in the URC

May's rota is on the Notice board in the foyer. Please sign up if you are able to fill a slot/s *Thank you*

Jenny's contact details –

Tel: 01908 611427 (Church office) and leave a message, or her mobile No. 07703485017

Her e-mail address is **revdjmill@btinternet.com**

www.urchnewportpagnell.org and on Facebook

Tuesday 15th May

13.00 – 15.00: Toddler Praise Lite in the Church.

20.00: Holiday Club meeting at Lovat Hall for anyone wanting to help with Mission Rescue 2018. Registration has opened for children aged 5+. Monday August 13th- Thursday 16th. 10am-12.30pm each day. Free for all but donations towards costs are welcome.

Registration forms from

<http://together.ourchurchweb.org.uk/np/info/holclub2018/>
or call into Camborne Travel on the High Street and fill one in there.

Thursday 17th May

09.30 – 11.00: Toddler Praise in the Church. Pre-school worship for babies and children with their parents/carers.

11.30: Meeting Point - lunchtime worship and Holy communion will be led by John. Followed by soup/roll.

14.30 – 16.00: Women's Own in the foyer. Speaker – Lyn Kidby.

15.30 – 17.00: Pilots – After school Bible club for 4 – 11 yr olds, in the Church.

Change of date - The Gift Day, originally scheduled for the 19th May will now be on **Saturday 23rd June** from 10.00 until 14.00 and the orange collecting boxes will be opened during the day.

Sunday 20th May Pentecost Sunday

10.30: Morning worship will be led by Revd. Jenny Mills, followed by a shared lunch. Pentecost, the time when the Church celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit into the world to enable and inspire humankind after Jesus' earthly life ended. We will have a shared lunch together following worship. Ideally bring Pentecost related food (a prize for the most imaginative!). Ideas could include flame grilled chicken, red/yellow/orange peppers and dip, anything else you are 'inspired' to prepare!! All welcome.

Jenny is going to have a Reading Week as she will be away and caring for family from 20th-27th May and so will not be around. She can be contacted by phone or email. Then she, and other members of the congregation are away from Wednesday 30th May- Monday 4th June, visiting the partner churches in Germany

Advance notices:

Saturday 9th June: NP Vintage Day. We will be hosting a Living History event in church as well as providing refreshments and having

a bouncy castle in the hall. ANYONE able to help will be welcomed with open arms! Please save the date and get involved, even for part of the day.

HOLY HABITS

Tuesday 22nd May 7.30 - 9 pm at Freeman Memorial Methodist

Thursday 24th May 2 – 3.30 pm at Newport Pagnell Methodist

Sunday 27th May 2 – 3.30 pm at Deanshanger Methodist

THEN EVERY WEEK on these days and times up to Sun 28th Oct.

Holy Habits is an initiative to nurture Christian Discipleship. It explores Luke's model of church found in Acts that identifies 10 habits: *Prayer- Fellowship – Bible teaching – Sharing resources – Serving – Eating together – Gladness and generosity – Worship – Breaking bread – Serving* – and encourages the development of a way of life formed by them.

There are 3 opportunities each week to meet together with friends or meet new people. The same session will run at each of the venues for that week. You don't need to stick to one venue for the course. This offers flexibility to fit around other commitments.

The sessions will deal with 1 Holy Habit over 2 weeks. The 23 weeks will include an intro and 2 weeks break in August so if there are several you can't attend, there is still plenty of opportunity to join in. Further information from Jenny.

De-cluttering and disposal of unused items – Hall & Church

As we approach the last days of the old hall we need to turn our thoughts to clearance of the building. If anyone is aware of an item that is currently stored in the hall and which they think we should keep please let me have details as I am preparing an inventory of items that will be disposed of.

The same will apply to items stored in the church which are no longer required. Peter 01908 612155

Geoff and Linda Morris would like to thank all at the United Reformed church who have supported Geoff and family in prayer recently. Geoff's operation went well in Oxford, following his heart attack. Geoff is making a good recovery.

We offer to God through prayer those people and situations shown below

As we continue on our Easter journey towards Pentecost, may we find ourselves experiencing Christ in our lives and through our relationships with others. May we each seek to live out the love we receive and be a blessing to those alongside whom we journey.

Members and friends for whom life is difficult and who need our prayers, love and care. We pray for our friend Val, for Joyce and Pip, Molly and John's friend Jan who is unwell and anyone known to us who needs our prayers. Those living with diagnoses that affect everyday life.

Those finding life tough due to bereavement, illness, mental ill health or relationship breakdown. May they feel able to speak up and ask for help when needed; may we who are able be observant and help where we see the need.

Eva and family as they remember Noel on the first anniversary of his death.

We give thanks for the safe arrival of baby Ted, a grandson for Linda and Geoff Morris.

Christian Aid week 2018 and we hold before God all organisers, collectors, supporters and projects enabled by this charity.

The problem of false stories and fake news that spreads fear and causes misunderstandings. Globally news is so easily available but when it is factually incorrect it is worse than no news. May those in the media and in positions of power be called to account.

For the issue of anti-social behaviour in our town. May there be conversations that find solutions and ways forward and may we seek to be a voice in the conversations.

*Items for the **WEEKLY WINDOW** by Thursday evening to
eva.bangle@lineone.net or 01908 612261*