



# Lent Rise Matters – the info sheet for Lent Rise Methodist Church



## **Sunday Services:**

Every Sunday 10:30am

Third Sunday Holy Communion 10:30am Rev Vicci Davidson

First Sunday Evening Worship 6:30pm Rev Vicci Davidson

## **Wednesday Morning:**

Last Wednesday each month 11:00am Rev'd Vicci Davidson –  
A short service for our community

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## Services in the coming weeks:

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 10:30am – Jason Yannacopoulos**

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 10:30am Rev'd Vicci Davidson**

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### Prayer Cards

If you would like to ask for prayer for a specific person or event, please complete a prayer card, to be found on the table at the entrance to the Church.

*Please hold in your prayers: Marilyn, David and Lizzie, Jo and Andrew, Pat, Julia, Sheila, Stefan, The Toffa family, Ed, Hannah, Eleni, the Tindall family, David Chant, Kim*



*If you are new here today and would like to keep in touch please look out for one of our yellow Welcome Cards, enter your details and hand the card to a Steward.*

### **This week in Burnham Methodist Church:**

**Monday Club for Senior Citizen's** from Burnham Community Association.

**Wednesday The Meeting Place** from The Well@Lent Rise from 9:30am – 12midday. A place for all ages to come and simply be, with coffee or tea, cake and a special warm welcome.

**Thursday CAMEO lunch club for Senior Citizen's** from 12:00midday. For more information or to book please speak to Jo Webb.

**Friday 10:00am Bible Study** led by Rev'd Vicci next meeting will be in February 27th.

**Friday 10-30 finishing by 2 pm, The Well@Lent Rise Light lunch club.** hosted by Kim (07469879199 for further details).

**Geese is the Circuit youth group** for discussion over food. This is a free activity for anyone in the circuit aged 10 - 18 and is led by Vicci and Sophie at Windsor Methodist Church from 6 - 7:30 pm on alternate Fridays. The next meeting is Friday 27th February.

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### **Dates for your diary**

**Sundays 22<sup>nd</sup> February – 29<sup>th</sup>**, 1:15 – 3:30pm Music Academy Lent Workshop for 9-18year olds, and Adult Workshop Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May. See posters at the back of the Church for details.

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March Murder at the Bafta's** at Windsor Methodist Church See poster below and in Church.

**Saturday 4th April - Burnham Toddlers Easter Party** – following on from the successful Christmas party organised jointly between Ourselves, St Mary’s and St Peter’s Toddler groups where we welcomed over 90 people, we will be hosting the Easter party which will include an Easter Garden in the Church, Rev’d Josh from St Peter’s will do a short talk, there will be an egg hunt and various craft activities....and of course teas and coffees. If you would like to get involved please talk to Pauline.

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**Thought for the week**

**Friends**

In the 1960’s, two Methodist people collected works of art in order to open up faith conversations and then gave their collection the British Methodist Church. Instead of selling them, we decided to continue to use them for their original purpose and to continue to acquire art so that the ideas and concerns of today’s artists are represented in the Collection, which currently comprises over fifty works, including paintings by such well-known artists as Graham Sutherland, Elisabeth Frink and William Roberts.

Twenty-five of these paintings are coming to Guildford from the 9th of March to Easter Day. Appropriately for its timing, the exhibition will focus on Christ’s journey to the Cross, Resurrection and Pentecost. The venue is St. Mary’s mediaeval church in Guildford, a joint Methodist and Anglican place of worship. There will also be poetry, musical performances and Lent reflections and details for this can be found online through the website for the Methodist Modern Art Collection or that of St Mary’s, Guildford.

I find it inspirational that not only did those two Methodists have the original vision, but that we as a church have carried it on, not just as an investment policy, but to stimulate theological conversation and I hope that some people from our Circuit will be moved to join me in Guildford.

In ancient Israel and Judah, art was a troublesome subject. It was forbidden to make an image of God, but humanity was made in God’s image, so weren’t artists who made pictures or sculptures of people breaking the rules? What about animals? The ancient Jewish people felt that this too was risky, and we know that at the time of Jesus, one of the big questions was around whether or not it might be okay to draw or paint plants. We are so surrounded by visual imagery that it is difficult to imagine how theologically important these conversations were. When Jesus calls for a coin to be brought to him in Matthew 22:15-22, he makes an important point. The coin bore Caesar’s image and should be given to Caesar, but the people bore the very image of God and should be given to God. Come and see what our modern artists have made of it.

God bless, Vicci

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**Prayers and Prayer Pointers For This Week**

**Monday 9th March** - Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I always may be holy. - Help me to understand something of your holiness, Lord God, and remind me that I can embody your holy nature, here on earth. - Draw me close and fill me with your love. Amen.

**Tuesday 10th March** - Light a candle. Jesus is the light of the world. Pray about the places you experience darkness in your life, that Jesus light might shine there.

**Wednesday 11th March** - Open your Bible at the Psalms and read one as a prayer to God. What resonates with you? Consider in what ways these old words feel new to you and offer them to God.

**Thursday 12th March** - On this day in 1989 Tim Berners-Lee submitted his proposal for an information management system, which eventually became the world wide web, the internet. Today, we pray for all who work in digital spaces – all who are responsible for making social media, websites and other digital tools safe for all who use them. May sense and safety reign over capitalism and exploitation in key decision making, we pray.

**Friday 13th March** - Justice-seeking God, today we pray for peace. - It can seem difficult to know how to pray for peace when we know there is still much violence and conflict in our world, but we bring all that to you today, knowing that the world is not 'as you would have it.' - Come, Prince of Peace, come to a broken world in need, we pray. Amen.

**Saturday 14th March** - Hear the invitation to be still this Saturday. To hold a moment of quiet and reflect on the week just gone, to 'check in' with yourself and how you are doing, and to listen to the still small voice of God. - Perhaps try to position yourself where you can see a tree or bush or some flowers, and just hold the stillness as you watch and pray. - Come, Lord Jesus. Amen

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**SATURDAY  
14 MARCH**

**Doors open 6pm  
For 6:30pm  
performance**

**Tickets £10/£8  
(Light refreshments included)**

**Ticket information is available at:  
[windsormethodistchurch.co.uk/play](http://windsormethodistchurch.co.uk/play)**

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