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 15th November 10:30am Kathy Rickman
Sunday 22nd November 10:30am Liz Tottingham

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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: Pat, Julia, The Toffa family, Ed, David and Roxanne Chant, Kim, Joyce and Alan, Vicci and family

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 month on the** Ecumenical Prayer Circle we are praying for our friends at St James the Less, Dorney Church and for our Church family here at Burnham.*

This week in Burnham Methodist Church:

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

Tuesday: LentRisers Toddler Group 9:15am – 11:30am

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 10-30 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.

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Dates for your diary

Saturday 12th December Combined Churches Toddler Christmas Party 10:00 – 12:00

At a meeting on Wednesday a group of us started to put together plans for **130 year celebrations.** So far: Celebration Afternoon Tea Saturday 17th April 2027

Celebration Service Sunday 18th April 2027 – followed by lunch.
It will take the whole Family to make this work. So please look out for messages and pleas for help in the coming weeks.

Praying Together will next meet on Tuesday 12th January 2028 when we will be looking at the Promises of God in the Bible, and how we can accept them for our lives today.
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Thought for the day
The Red Poppy written by Alan Crowle

"Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends." – John 15:13. "But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." – Romans 5:8
The red poppy is the official symbol of Remembrance Day, worn on and before 11 November to honour those who died or suffered in war, a tradition inspired by John McCrae's 1915 poem In Flanders Fields and adopted widely from 1921 onward. The red poppy is internationally recognised—especially in Commonwealth countries—as the emblem of remembrance for military personnel who died or were affected by war. Its symbolism originates from the First World War battlefields of Flanders, where poppies grew abundantly on disturbed soil. Red poppies were among the first flowers to grow on the devastated Western Front in France and Belgium.
A remembrance poppy is an artificial flower worn in some countries to commemorate their military personnel who died in war. Remembrance poppies are produced by veterans' associations, which exchange the poppies for charitable donations used to give financial and practical support to members and veterans of the armed forces. Poppies produced in Scotland appear slightly different from the Royal British Legion one, being curled with four petals and no leaf. The Canadian poppy design features four petals, a black centre and no leaf. In England, Wales, and Northern Ireland, the poppies typically have two red paper petals mounted on a green plastic stem with a single green paper leaf and a prominent black plastic central boss
The red poppy gave poetic inspiration. Canadian Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae wrote In Flanders Fields in 1915 after seeing poppies on soldiers' graves. The poem became central to the poppy's meaning. ' In Flanders fields the poppies blow, Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place; and in the sky. The larks, still bravely singing, fly. Scarce heard amid the guns below.' The Poppy campaign raises funds to support veterans and their families.
Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word, 2 Thessalonians 2vv16
Prayer: We remember those who have run the race before us, we remember to pray for God's kingdom and we remember to offer ourselves in service to God. Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure keeping, those who have died for their country in conflict; those whom we knew, and whose memory we treasure; and all who have lived and died in the service of humanity. 'They shall not grow old as we that

are left grow old: age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them. We will remember them.'

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Prayers and Prayer Pointers For This Week

Monday 16th November - Calm me Lord, calm my thoughts, that I might hear your voice, calm my actions that I might follow your call, calm my anxiety that I might know myself loved and accepted. Calm me, O God, like the waves and the wind at Christ's command, Amen.

Tuesday 17th November - On this day in 1558, the Elizabethan era began, with the ascension of Queen Elizabeth I to the throne. We live in tumultuous times and don't yet know what this 'era' might be called by historians in 500 years.

- Today you might like to pray for all who are involved in leadership and politics, whether local or national. If that's you, take some time out today to pray for yourself, to ground yourself in God's unchanging, infallible, unconditional love for you.

Wednesday 18th November - As we head into the winter months, and the evenings get darker, and colder, and wetter, we pray for all who feel isolated at this time. All who are forced to withdraw indoors when they don't find that comfortable or know it brings with it a loneliness and isolation.

- If that's you, spend some time praying for yourself today, and reflecting on ways you can seek connection, maintain relationship, stay grounded in the natural world and God's beautiful creation.

Thursday 19th November - Take a moment to look at your hands. Reflect on the things you have used them for already this week: to do housework, to write emails, to make phone calls, perhaps some digging in the garden or some manual labour tasks.

- Thank you God, for these hands. Help me to use them as your hands in the world – to use my body, my mind, my whole life, for the building of your Kingdom here on earth. Amen.

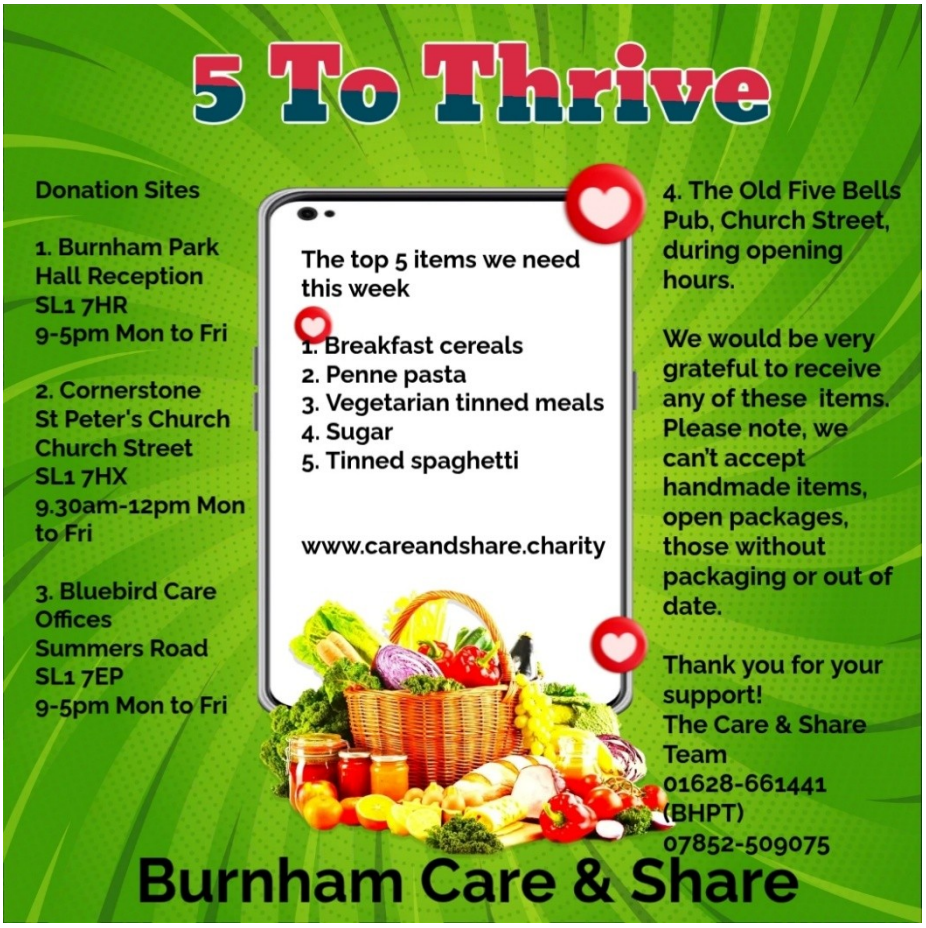
Friday 20th November - Gracious God, thank you for the many ways you have blessed me, and for the nutrition in the meals I am eating this day. Thank you for the strength that comes from my food to keep me going. Thank you for the tastes I can enjoy and the refreshment I can feel. Amen

Saturday 21st November - Holy God, you have called me here, in this moment, this day, this weekend. - Lord of life, I see you at work in the world around me. Open my eyes, and open my heart, That I may be ready to receive your Spirit into my life. Amen.

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Many of us are shopping online these days and the Church has signed up to a site through which some of our most loved retailers will give us a donation every time we shop.
Sign up and help us raise funds by:

1. Visit the link below Search for Burnham Methodist Church
2. Your favourite brands will donate when you shop with them. This includes Booking.com; ebay; M&S; Curry's; TUI; BT and John Lewis www.easyndraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause

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Donation Sites
1. Burnham Park Hall Reception SL1 7HR 9-5pm Mon to Fri
2. Cornerstone St Peter's Church Church Street SL1 7HX 9.30am-12pm Mon to Fri
3. Bluebird Care Offices Summers Road SL1 7EP 9-5pm Mon to Fri
The top 5 items we need this week
1. Breakfast cereals
2. Penne pasta
3. Vegetarian tinned meals
4. Sugar
5. Tinned spaghetti
www.careandshare.charity
4. The Old Five Bells Pub, Church Street, during opening hours.
We would be very grateful to receive any of these items. Please note, we can't accept handmade items, open packages, those without packaging or out of date.
Thank you for your support!
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