



# 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

## **Circuit Services**

**Just a Song at Twilight** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month – Learn more about a member of the Church team.

<https://zoom.us/j/94770524280?pwd=WkZ5VC9leldkVVhTdG82c2xFZzB3Zz09>

Meeting ID: 947 7052 4280

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**Sunday 9th June 2024 10:30am** we welcome Rev'd Margaret Dudley to our pulpit

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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: Jo, Andrew and Peter Webb, Joanne Prior; Ed; George, Liz and family; Keith and Hilary; Marilyn and Bill; Julia; Pat; Angel's family, Freddy*

*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.*

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**This week in Burnham Methodist Church:**

**Monday Club for Senior Citizen's** from Burnham Community Association. For more information call Steve Tindall 07780 665910

**Tuesday LentRisers Toddler Group** offers a warm welcome to parents and carers of children from birth to school age. If you are reading this and would like to get involved in helping the group please contact Pauline.

**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.

**Bible Study**, led by Revd Vicci. 10:00am – 12:00pm. Next meeting will be Friday7th June. The group is open to anyone who has an interest in furthering their personal Faith journey.

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**Dates for your diary**

**Friday 14th June 6:00pm** The Church Jobs fair Windsor Methodist Church. Come along and find out about opportunities for serving within our Churches. The evening is hosted by GEESE – the Circuit Youth Group, and will be fun and informative – and there's refreshments.

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 3:00pm** The musical "Alive to Tell the Story" Windsor Methodist Church. There are fliers in the Church giving more information.

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June** Conference Sunday – the Ordination of Deacon Margaret. The Service will be Live Streamed at High Street, St Marks and Windsor Churches. There will not be a service here at Burnham.

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### **Prayers and Prayer Pointers for the Week Ahead**

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June - Put an empty chair next to you. Sit down in another chair. Imagine Jesus is sitting with you in the empty one. He speaks your name. Tell him about what's on your heart. Listen for what he says to you.

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June - Just listen to your breathing for a moment. Notice the inhales and the exhales. - Each time you inhale, breathe in all that is good, all that is holy, all that is divine. Each time you breathe out, let go of all that is painful, all that is sinful, that brings your shame and guilt. - Breathe in love. Breathe out hate. Breathe in God. Breathe out pain. Breathe in. Breathe out. Breathe.

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June - Place your hand on your shoulders and think of all the burdens you feel you're carrying. Pray that God might help lighten your load. - Roll your shoulders a few times and sit quietly after you've said Amen.

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June - God who makes all things new, show me the new thing you are doing in my life, show me how to get involved.

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June - On this day in 1940, the German occupation of Paris (as part of German advances in the first part of World War II) began. - Today, you could pray for all the people and communities who find themselves occupied by a foreign power. So much of the New Testament is written by and for a community experiencing occupation and invasion, but sadly, invasions are not a thing of the past. - We pray for the people of Ukraine, of Syria, of Palestine, of Yemen, of Myanmar, and many others who have been oppressed and faced the violence of invasion.

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June - You might like to turn to Psalm 86. The Psalms have always been source of prayer and response for people seeking to follow God and this one is a prayer of faith, a prayer for help, and a prayer of worship. You might like to simply read the words of the Psalm out loud, and then join in the prayer pointers below. Psalm 86 – Click for reading. - Pray for those who are fleeing persecution or domestic violence. - Pray for women and children trapped in the slave trade. - Ask forgiveness for your own prejudices.

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### **Methodist leaders issue election call to love, pray and vote**

A General Election is a significant event in the life of the country. As choices about the future are debated and decisions made, let us choose **to love**, **to pray**, and **to vote**.

Our hope is that this will be an election campaign where people will be able to discuss and disagree with kindness, where truth will be upheld, and where the needs of people who are vulnerable will be honoured. As Christians, over the weeks ahead we are called to participate

actively, ask questions, listen well, seek justice and the common good, and surround the process in prayer.

There will be all kinds of issues on the agenda during this campaign. But as we seek to follow Jesus's commandment to love our neighbour, we particularly challenge all who aspire to form the next government to set out what they will do to tackle poverty in the UK.

***One in five people in our communities are held back by poverty, and over a million children currently live in destitution. This is causing immense harm to individuals, families and communities.***

But poverty is not inevitable, and those with power can make choices that could end poverty for good. We urge all those who seek our votes to commit to make poverty a priority.

Finally, we encourage people to use their votes, and to ensure others can too. Voting is a hard-fought privilege still denied to many around the world. Churches will be active in ensuring everyone eligible is registered to vote and has appropriate photo ID, so that they are not denied the opportunity to participate in the democratic process. We should all be able to have our voices heard during this election, and to join in making choices that will shape the future of our society.

**Revd Gill Newton and Deacon Kerry Scarlett, President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference**

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