

# St Helier Methodist Centre February 5th 2023

***All Ages, All Nations, All Stages of Faith***



We extend a warm welcome to those who are here for the first time. You'll find a welcome pack in the vestibule and you're invited to stay for coffee afterwards which is served downstairs.

We are delighted to have our Superintendent Minister, Rev'd Dawn Saunders, led our 10.30am service this morning. We look forward to worshipping with her and hearing God's word opened up for us.

## Rotas for February 12<sup>th</sup>

There will be no service at St Helier next Sunday, so we can join together at St Martin's Methodist when Tony will be speaking on the verse, *'We left the city and went down to the river to pray'*. Acts 16:13.

Our children and youth work will continue at the Centre as usual.

### This Week at the Centre

Mon 6th	Rascals – Toddlers aged 2+	10-12.00
	Circuit Meeting at Ebenezer	7.30
Tue 7th	Rascals – New-born under 6 months	10-12.00
	Steward Meeting	7:30pm
Wed 8th	Rascals – Crawlers aged 1+	10-12.00
Thur 9th	Café Teas/Coffees Soup	10:30-1pm
	Bible Study	11am
Fri 10th	Move More Jersey	9:45 -11:15
	Café Open for teas and coffees.	
Sat 11 <sup>th</sup>	Seven Up	4.30-6.00

**1) The Food Bank** needs your help; we are running short of some groceries. Please think about supporting it by bringing in a tin or packet or two each week. At the moment we especially need, tins of fish (especially tuna), tins of fruit, packets of crackers and biscuits - but all cupboard groceries with a long shelf life will be very gratefully received.

**2) Our next 7Up** children's group is on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February at SHMC. 7Up is for children aged 7 years up to 11 years of age. Leave your children with us at 4.30pm and collect them at 6pm.

**3) Church organ**, the bellows from the church organ were due to be disconnected and shipped to the Isle of Wight to be repaired

on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January, unfortunately this has been delayed, a new date will be advised in due course

**4) Christianity & Creation**, two major issues facing the world today are Climate Change and The Threat to Biodiversity, so it's important that we consider 'What Christianity has to say about our Care of Creation. Sessions are being held at St. Columba's Church in Midvale Road on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> February at 10am to consider the Christian response to these issues, all are welcome.

**5) Every seven years Methodist Ministers** are required to take a three-month sabbatical. Tony's starts on February 27<sup>th</sup>. The first leg of the sabbatical will be to explore the biblical, spiritual and ecological importance of rivers.

The plan is to read the books of Genesis and Exodus in their context of Egypt, the Gospel of John by the Jordan and the book of Acts by the Zygakti river in Greece.

The voyage will be a fascinating voyage of discovery to explore the importance of rivers, as the Nile, Tigris, Euphrates & Jordan are the backdrop of the bible's great narrative.

Before returning home Tony and Cathy will then walk the 80 miles of the Cumbrian Eden river from source to sea and have time to meet two hydrologists who travel the world helping to irrigate dry places.

This week we will remember the congregation in prayer of The United Reformed Church at Sion and their Elders.

**Longing for you, O Lord, we are crowned with love. Seeing you we are filled with joy. Resting in you we do not stumble. Persevering with you we enter your presence.**

*Persian Christian Martyrs (c. 344)*

**Order of Worship**  
The theme for this morning is discipleship

**Opening Prayers**

Hymn number 11                      Holy Holy Holy, Lord God almighty  
Prayers followed by the Lord's Prayer

Hymn Number 495                      Dear Lord and Father of Mankind  
Collection

Readings                                      Psalm 46 and Matthew 5:1-12

Hymn Number 566                      Take my life and let it be

**Sermon**

Hymn number 491                      As Servants Working an Estate

**Intercessions**

Hymn Number 563                      Oh Jesus I have Promised

**Blessing**



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