

# All Saints Methodist Church

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### **Notices Sunday 21 September**

#### Worship

#### **Trinity All Saints Sunday 21 September Sunday 21 September** 10:30am 10:30am Morning Worship Harvest Led by Nigel Ogley Morning Worship led by Revd Carol Hamilton-Foyn The *flowers* today are in memory of Marion on the 92nd anniversary of her Followed by a Church Meeting birth. She was my wife for 65 wonderful Gifts in kind will be given to the years. Abingdon Foodbank Thank you to Jenny Pooley for choosing Our collections (in the plate or online) and arranging them will be given to Asylum Welcome Paul Williams **Sunday 28 September Sunday 28 September** 10:30am 10:30am Morning Worship **Harvest Festival** Morning Worship led by Revd Georgina Bondzi-Simpson led by Revd Alan Grist

#### The deadline for October issue of Triangle is this weekend

Please send contributions to Cynthia (<u>cynbartlett@yahoo.co.uk</u>) AND to Val (vadalby17@gmail.com) or via the Office

#### **ALL SAINTS NEWS**

The **Tubb House Group** will meet at 36 The Warren on **Monday 22nd September** at 7.30 p.m. We will commence a study of St John's Gospel.

**Just Women: Wednesday 24 September** 7.30 Perry Room. Val Grist will tell us The Dolls' Story. All women welcome.

Foodbank Harvest: 28 September is Harvest at All Saints. There is a poster at the end of the notices and there are five up in church (clue: near both doors and three in the hall). *Many thanks JPB* Also – please note Just Women on Wednesday 8 October is an open meeting. Everyone welcome to hear about <u>Thames Valley Air Ambulance</u>. There will be a plate for donations for the wonderful work they all undertake.

There will be a Coffee Morning in All Saints, next Saturday – 27 September, 10am to 12 noon – in the church so that we can encourage those decorating it for Harvest. All welcome

Knitting/shoe boxes! I understand that there are boxes for items for the 'Samaritans Purse' shoe box appeal now available at church so instead of making up your own box you can if you wish bring individual item(s) which can then be sorted out later. You are of course still able to make up your own if you choose to do so. We could put a knitted angel into each box if anybody chooses to make those. Remember the categories are for either boys or girls, and for ages 2-4, 5-9 and 10-14. The boxes have to be ready by the middle of October. With many thanks Eileen <a href="https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child">https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child</a> For further suggestions for gifts to be included see the <a href="Guidance Booklet">Guidance Booklet</a> some hardcopies of which will be available in church.

**OHCT Ride & Stride:** As you may know the OHCT R&S raises money for both OHCT (see p3) and the StRider's home church. Lynnette (from Trinity) visited 9 churches last weekend – on behalf of both Trinity & All Saints. If you would like to sponsor her (with 50% of All Saints contributions returning to All Saints) please see Sue Butler or Lynnette when she visits All Saints next week.

#### TRINITY NEWS

we will be celebrating **Sunday 21** as our **Harvest Festival.**Gifts in kind will be given to the Abingdon Foodbank
– please see p5 or posters in church for their Harvest requests
Our collections (in the plate or online) will be given to Asylum Welcome
The Service will be followed by a **Church Meeting** – papers will be issued soon

Asylum Welcome is a local charity offering information, advice and practical support to asylum seekers, refugees and vulnerable migrants living in Oxfordshire. We help adults, young people and families to feel safe, respected and understood as members of our diverse community. <a href="https://www.asylum-welcome.org/">https://www.asylum-welcome.org/</a>

The next *URC Spirituality online quiet day* will be on Saturday 27 September, 10.30-16.00 on the theme "Playing with God", which comes out of the gospel reading for the day. We'll be together on screen for parts of the day and praying in private for other times. The event is free but you'll need to book in order to receive the Zoom link. For more information, and to book: <a href="https://urc-spirituality.org.uk/urcsp\_event/quiet-day-4/">https://urc-spirituality.org.uk/urcsp\_event/quiet-day-4/</a>

**Prayer Handbooks**: I now have the prayer handbooks which were ordered. Please collect them from me - price £4.50. (I can wait for the money if you do not have it with you). *Ruth Dams* 

**Thursday Group and Friendship Group** are meeting in the church at 7:30 on *Wednesday 8th October* to pack boxes for the House of Opportunity Christmas Box Appeal. Send a box to a marginalised child, woman or man living in poverty in Southeast Europe. *Complete boxes welcome*. Or if you prefer, there will be a box for your donations (of, for example, pencils, sharpeners & erasers notebooks, colouring books, toothpaste and toothbrushes, hats, scarves & gloves, small toys (not war related), soaps & flannels, sweets with a good date (but no chocolate), small soft toy etc and shoe boxes to put them in) in the back of church, donations by 5 October please. Thank you for your support, *Lindsay* 

**Ride & Stride:** sadly Jackie couldn't join Lynnette last week when she visited nine churches as part of the OHCT R&S. Lynnette thanks everyone for their support and sponsorship, and would be grateful if sponsors could come to her rather than waiting for her to find them. There is still time to make a donation

#### **NOTICES**

**St Ethelwold's Fund Raising:** is doing well and has reached just over halfway towards the aim of £70,000. A generous local family have promised to match fund, which gives St Eth's one month from 10 September to 10 October to raise £10,000. I can send latest newsletter to anyone who asks for it. Thank you if you have already made a donation and if you haven't but would like to please do so via Wonderful Crowdfunder <a href="https://wonderful.org/charities/1179427">https://wonderful.org/charities/1179427</a>

The Oxford Historic Churches Trust (OHCT) is a volunteer-led organisation which aims to provide funding to help local communities repair, maintain and improve Oxfordshire's historic churches, preserving them for future generations. OHCT also works to increase public understanding of these buildings via a programme of Events, our Annual Sponsorship event Ride and Stride, and Publications. Funds raised via R&S are split 50:50 between OHCT and the StRiders designated church. Read more: <a href="https://ohct.org.uk/about-us/">https://ohct.org.uk/about-us/</a> JPB

#### DATES FOR THE DIARY

FaithTalk: Everyday Evangelism in the URC, Tuesday 23 September 7pm, FaithTalk at Christmas – Thinking Ahead! How do we make the most of wonderful opportunities to talk about our faith during Advent and Christmas... how can we talk about our faith personally at this time, and how can our church talk?

Join us online for a relaxed conversation to share ideas and experiences and find out about helpful resources. Register for the link at <a href="mission@urc.org.uk">mission@urc.org.uk</a>

Tuesday 30 September: In conversation with Sharon Bruce – Executive Director and Founder of Solutions not Sides. Wallingford Methodist Church, 12 noon – 1pm. Free entry.

**Tuesday 30 September Agnostics Anonymous:** 6pm in the Parish Centre. Dr. Bethany Sollereder will be speaking on "Why would a good God create through evolution's violence and waste?"

Wednesday 1 October, Full of Life: Oxford's Older People's Day. Oxford Town Hall 10am-3pm. Looking for a new interest, a new hobby or activity, a new volunteering opportunity, advice or information? Presentations, digital workshops (bring your digital device and chargers). Free admission.

**Saturday 11 October, Just Jane:** An afternoon of readings from Jane Austen with contemporary music and refreshments (tea, coffee, and cakes), 3.00 - 5.30 p.m. Tickets £15, under 18 free. Or £10 on the door if pre-ordered (after 22/9) from Hilary Clare (St Michael's).



#### **HARVEST 2025**

Thank you for supporting Abingdon Foodbank this harvest. This year we are in need of:

#### **TINNED MEAT, FISH and VEGETABLES**











SOUP, SPAGHETTI HOOPS, PASTA SAUCE, RICE, PASTA, OIL













#### TINNED FRUIT, PUDDINGS, JAM, HONEY, BISCUITS













#### CEREAL, UHT MILK, COFFEE, HOT CHOCOLATE, SQUASH















# In Conversation with

# Sharon Booth

**Executive Director and Founder of** 

# **Solutions Not Sides**

Discussing Israel Palestine in schools without resorting to conflict

**Wallingford Methodist Church** 

12 noon—1.00pm

30 September 2025

Free Entry



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