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NOTICES 19 June 2022

Future Services:

Sunday 19 June: 10:30am Morning Worship led by Carol Sturt

Sunday 26 June: 10:30am Morning Worship led by Revd John Anderson

CHURCH NEWS

Methodist Homes Sunday. Last week was Methodist Homes Sunday. Envelopes for donations to this very worthwhile and relevant Methodist Charity were made available in Church for return on the 19th and 26th June. It is not too late to pick up a donation envelope this week. Please give generously. Thank you. *Marion Williams*



Deacon Selina Nisbett has requested to continue her ministry in our Circuit for a further period of two years beyond September 2023.

An important part of this process will be a consultation with All Saints and Trinity churches.

The consultation is an opportunity for everyone to reflect on the work and ministry that Deacon Selina Nisbett carries out in each church and within the Circuit.

It is important to remember the impact that the Covid pandemic has had on our churches over the past two years. It has caused difficulties and disruptions to all areas of church life and interactions. If you wish to express a view on this, please have a conversation, either face to face or on the telephone or via zoom, (but not by email) with Sue Butler, Judith PB or Dawn Tyrrell. Please contact one of them to arrange a time to chat. What you say will be given in confidence, although your name as a contributor to the consultation will be recorded.

Thank you. Carolyn Roche (Senior Circuit Steward) on behalf of the Circuit Stewards

Sylvia W thanks everyone for their cards, kind wishes and visits, which have cheered her up greatly. She has finally started to feel a bit better and is hopeful of coming home soon.

Statements of your donations for the tax year 2021/22 have just been sent out. For those who have provided email addresses the email gives you a link to your record in our accounting software. For those who have not already done so, please check your email for the link. Those for whom we have no email have been sent letters with the information.

The Finance Committee would like to thank you all for your generous donations and continued support for All Saints.

Margaret Ellwood, Gift Aid Secretary.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Trinity Evergreen Club meets on Monday 20 June - when Dick Richards will give a talk on The Abingdon Bridge (TAB). Conduit Centre, Conduit Road. Usual start time of 2.00pm and normal refreshments and raffle.

Sunday 26 June, Abingdon Passion Play (APP) are holding a fundraising 'tea party' at St Ethelwold's House, East St Helens Street from 3 pm till 5.30 pm. Enquires to John Clare on 01235

525898. All welcome. Proceeds will go towards the next APP production.
Tickets £8 from the Bookstore, www.abingdonpassionplay.co.uk or on the door.

Sunday 26 June, ADMS Summer Concert; 4:30pm Main Hall, the Manor School, Faringdon Road. Tickets £14 / £1 available on the door. Selection of opera choruses; Elgar – Songs from the Bavarian Highlands; Brahms – Liebeslieder Waltzes; Tchaikovsky – Symphony no 2.

Friday 1 July, Albert Park Singers Summer Concert, 7pm St Michael's Church, Park Road. Admission Free – all welcome. Join us for songs from the shows, pop and classical tunes followed by refreshments. Donations invited.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Saturday 25 June, Cultures, Crossings and Communities As part of Refugee Week 2022



Asylum Welcome is hosting an All-day Bazaar in the grounds of Magdalen College School, Oxford (11am-5pm). Representatives of Oxford's Refugee Community Organisations will have stalls and share art & music to raise awareness. Read more about this and other Refugee Week events in Oxford

and around:

<https://www.asylum-welcome.org/refugee-week-2022-events-in-oxford-and-reading/>

Refugee Week is taking place from 20-26 June this year, with the theme of 'Healing', and there is so much going on across the UK to celebrate the contributions, creativity and resilience of refugees. The Joint Public Issues Team has compiled a list of five ways you and your church can get involved. [Find it here.](#)



"Breaking the cycle of poverty in Kenya"

Sunday 26 June 2-6pm, for one day only, we're opening the doors on some glorious **Kennington Gardens**. Come and be inspired by our vibrant village gardens and help the Nasio Trust build a **community library in Western Kenya**. Please do join us!

As well as horticultural delights, there'll be plant stalls to browse, and refreshments available to purchase as you stroll. There's no need to reserve a ticket – you can purchase one on the day from St. Swithun's Church grounds (2 The Avenue, OX1 5PN). Adult tickets are just £5 per person and children 14 and under can visit for free. **NB Cash only** please. All the proceeds from this event will go towards building a new community library in Western Kenya. [Find out more about the appeal here.](#)

Full list of the gardens from <http://www.kenningtonhortsoc.org.uk/>

Foodbank: a huge thank you for all the recent donations; stocks are going down very fast as there are many new referrals each week. Toiletries and tinned meat in some sort of sauce or other, eg meat balls in tomato sauce are particularly needed. BIG thank you. *JPB*

METHODIST NEWS

The Northampton District are seeking a **Chair, Secretary and Members** of a new **Justice, Dignity and Solidarity Group**. This Group will build on the legacy of the District's EDI Committee and will lead on implementing the church's Strategy for Justice, Dignity and Solidarity within the District.

Further details from:

<https://www.northamptonmethodistdistrict.org.uk/for-ministers-and-office-holders/volunteer-opportunities/>

WORSHIP in the Circuit

Orders of Service for **Worship at Home** are made available on-line or in hard copy.
There is a **Circuit on-line Zoom service**, Sunday mornings at 10:30am. To join or find out more please contact - keith.underhill@methodist.org.uk.

God of the wild places and margins, give us the grace to honour those who are different.
God of the dispossessed and empty, give us humility to value in others the things we lack.
God of the spiritually poor and cynical, give us the self-awareness to avoid arrogance.
God of the aggressive and defensive, give us the courage and patience to love unconditionally
God of ourselves, give us the tenderness to see ourselves as you see us.
Amen.

Lin Hudson, Lidgett Methodist Church, York Circuit

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/prayer/prayer-of-the-day/>