

## All Saints Methodist Church

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## NOTICES 26 June 2022

### Future Services:

**Sunday 26 June:** 10:30am Morning Worship

led by Revd John Anderson

**Sunday 3 July:** 10:30 Morning Worship and Holy Communion

led by Revd Ian Griffiths

### CHURCH NEWS



We send our love and best wishes for a very  
**Happy Birthday to Charles May**  
who will be celebrating his 70th birthday on Monday June 27th.



**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 26th June. It is not too late to pick up a donation envelope this week. Please give generously. Thank you. *Marion Williams*

**Action for Children Sunday.** Next Sunday, 3rd July, will be celebrated as Action for Children Sunday. Envelopes for donations will be available in the church which can be returned over the next couple of weeks. Please support this important Methodist Charity as generously as you can. Thank you. *Marion Williams*

**Rev. Brian Jones:** Many of you will remember Rev Brian Jones, who was our minister at All Saints from 1990 to 1997. Mary Jones has phoned to let his friends here know that Brian's health, which has been poor for many years, has recently taken another downward step. He is currently in hospital suffering heart failure/edema and significant confusion. Mary is struggling to cope with all the demands which inevitably fall on her in these circumstances. Please remember them in your thoughts and prayers.

If you want to send Brian and Mary your greetings and best wishes, it's best to do so via a card to their house at 24 The Poplars, Leigh, Lancashire, WN7 3QH.

*Derek Pooley*

**Richard Matthews** is taking part in his annual **charity ride for Become from 23rd to 26th June.** This year's ride is in the North of England from Durham to York via

Darlington, Thirsk and Harrogate. It marks the 21st year of the ride and Richard's 15th. The charity **Become** is a small UK charity supporting children in care of whom there are now 108,000 in the UK - more than ever before. The link is <http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/richard-matthewsbfcic> if you felt able to contribute. *Thank you. Richard Matthews.*

**Preschool Fête, Saturday 9 July:** Rush Common Preschool, which meets in our hall and garden, is holding a fête on Saturday 9th July, and they would appreciate any support the church can offer them. The Family Committee will be running a bookstall and also serving tea and cake, so offers of books and cakes would be very welcome.

Better still, please come along on 9th July between 12.00 and 2.00 pm, and meet everyone and support this good cause. Preschool is a charity and operates on a shoestring, but does wonderful work in supporting parents and children in the vital Early Years.

Please contact Kate Jones with offers of help.

**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*

#### DATES FOR THE DIARY

**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](http://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.

**Sunday 3 July**, Abbey Chamber Concert, St Nicolas 3pm: Amici della Voce present 'The Baltic Connection' Directed by David Crown. Tickets £10 on the door or from <https://abbeychamberconcerts.org/event/the-baltic-connection-with-vocal-octet-amici-della-voce/>

**Sunday 17 July**, Circuit service at 6.30 pm at Grove. This will be Carol Sturt's accreditation service, and will include Holy Communion. Refreshments will be available before the service from 5pm.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**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

### Plans for Sunday Afternoons and Evenings at Wallingford Church

The Leadership Team is keen to try out our Sunday evening services once again. They will be on the **first Sunday of the month**: 3 July, 7 August, 4 September, 2 October and 6 November.

Initially they will start at **6.30pm** although the LT would like to hear your views on whether continuing with that start time works for you.

We also hope to be able to organise at least one of those services to include Holy Communion.

The team would also like to give the **Café Church** a few more trials to see if it is a style of worship that people would enjoy and might attract more newcomers and friends from other churches.

Café Church is held in the hall and starts at 3.30pm with tea, coffee and cakes, followed by a shorter, more informal service.

Café Church will take place on 10 July, 9 October and 4 December.

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/>



On May 28<sup>th</sup> Waitrose in Abingdon supported the Foodbank in a promotion of its invaluable work. Volunteers from both north and south foodbanks (Christchurch and Preston Road) chatted to customers about the work of the Foodbank and its importance in the current economic times of hardship for many. Many customers stopped to talk to the teams and were extremely generous in making donations of both cash and goods. Just under 200kg of food and £173 in cash/gift cards was collected. These donations will go to families and single people struggling to make ends meet and to feed their children and themselves.

The charity wishes to thank all those who so generously gave on the day and who continue to do so each week. And a huge thank you to our local Waitrose and staff members (especially Nicole) who allowed this event to take place and supported it wholeheartedly.



To remind you of what you might donate, a typical food parcel includes:

- Cereal;
- Soup;
- Pasta
- Rice
- Tinned tomatoes/ pasta sauce
- Lentils, beans and pulses
- Tinned meat
- Tinned vegetables
- Tea/coffee
- Tinned fruit
- Biscuits
- UHT milk
- Fruit juice

And non-food items:

Toiletries – deodorant, toilet paper, shower gel, shaving gel, shampoo, soap, toothbrushes, tooth paste, hand wipes

Household items – laundry liquid detergent, laundry powder, washing up liquid

Feminine products – sanitary towels and tampons

Baby supplies – nappies, baby wipes and baby food



**Rushcommon Preschool**

# Summer

**12-2PM**

# Fete

**Pay as much as  
you want entry  
(donation bucket)**

★ **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2022** ★

**BBQ** ★ **Cake Stall** ★ **Ice lollies**

★ **Face painting, glitter/temporary tattoos**★

**Bouncy Castle** ★ **Popcorn**

**Balloon Models** ★ **Raffle**

**Games** ★ **Candy Floss**

★ **Summer holiday activity packs** ★

**Childrens song and story sessions**

★ **And lots more!** ★

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**Cash Only  
All welcome**