



Welcome to Stoneleigh Methodist Church

Welcome to all, especially any here for the first time, as we worship God together

Today's Service

Sunday 17th March 2019

**10:30am: Morning Worship with
Richard Graham**

followed by our Lent Course, in the Church

**We welcome Richard and thank him
for leading our Service today.**

Hymns: StF 117, SoF 346, StF 416, 357

Readings: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18, Philippians 3:17-4:1, Luke 13: 31-35

Our Thanks this morning to:

Our Stewards - Lesley and Sally

Our Welcome team - Norma A and Geoff

Music - Hymnal, Sound - Denise

Refreshments - Gloria, Flowers - Sally

We have an audio loop system, large print hymn books and bibles, and a wheelchair - also our current Church magazine and our information leaflet about activities at the Church Centre - just ask the Welcome Team at the door for anything you need.

Our Pew Collection today is for the Methodist Church.

Refreshments will be served after the Service.

Prayers

Please pray for Richard leading our Service today, and for Emma at Raynes Park this evening.

Please pray also for those of our Church family who are unwell or finding their mobility limited and consider whether they might welcome a call or visit from friends.

Notices

Local Charities' Nominations 2019 At the last Church Council it was agreed that, in addition to our regular grants/donations to the Methodist charities and others we, as a Church, are exploring the idea of supporting a number of different local or UK based charities, from this year 2019.

Members are invited to propose a charity with the following information: the name of the charity, the charity's registration number and a brief introduction of what the charity does, and conclude how the grant donation will enhance the work of the charity. Sign off with your name as the proposer - (200 words)

A handwritten/cut out appeal can be passed on to the Steward on duty, equally a typed-out description about your nominated charity can be emailed or given to the Steward on duty or Rev Emma Aikins by Sunday 31st March at the latest.

The Leadership Team will shortlist to a maximum of 6 charities and have them ready to be voted on to choose two (2) charities at the Annual Church Meeting which is scheduled for Sunday 28th April. Please note that new suggestions made at the Annual Church Meeting will not be included for voting. The amount for this grant is £350. *Emma*

DIY/Auriol House Group. The DIY and Auriol House Group will meet at 12:30pm on Monday, 25th March, at Jim's house. Please bring a sandwich. *Joan*

Carers & Toddlers. We had our own Red Nose Day making cherry buns. Lots of eating and tasting! Not many made it home, so thanks to Hilary for organising it. Our SMC children's choir were in good voice. It's wonderful to see a child having the confidence to come up and really enjoying the singing.

Once again, we have to thank our helpers; please feel free to offer to help in any way. Chats in the kitchen are great. Take care all of you and you are always in our thoughts and prayers. Love, *Jeananne*

Churches Together in Ewell

CTE invite all congregations to try and visit each other during LENT and here are some that are on offer:

Friday 29th March - come to St Clements RC Church at 7:45pm. Hear about and experience the 'Stations of the Cross' as Father Graham and representatives from CAFOD lead us through this meditative time as part of their Lent tradition.

Saturday 6th April - come to All Saints 'Quiet Day' between 10:00am and 4:00pm. Activity stations will be set up all based on Psalm 23.

Wednesday 10th April at 8:00pm. Stoneleigh Baptist will host an evening of worship and prayer with the opportunity to find out a little more of the activities of the church, and perhaps even answer the question "what do Baptists especially believe?"

Easter at our Church

Good Friday will be at 10:30am with the Rev Emma Aikins.

Easter Sunday will be at 10:30am, Holy Communion with the Rev Chris Morley.

and elsewhere

Palm Sunday, Sunday 4th April at 6:30pm, Holy Communion at Ruxley with Canon Hilary Johnson.

Maundy Thursday, 18th April at 7:30pm, Holy Communion at Ruxley with the Rev Emma Aikins.

Good Friday - Walk of Witness in Epsom starting at 9:50am in Church Street and finishing in the Town Centre about 11:00am.

In case you missed it . . .

Church Flowers. I am very grateful to Val Farley for agreeing to take over the flower rota for SMC, and to organise provision of the flowers for the odd Sunday service when nobody else has put their name down. I'm sure things will go on much as before but in future please see Val if you want flowers bought and arranged for your special occasion. *Lesley*

The coming week at SMC

Monday 18th March

Conquest Art - 2:00-4:00pm in the Link Room

Leadership Team - 7:30pm in the New Room

Monday Group - 8:00pm at Helen's

Tuesday 19th March

Tuesday Fellowship - 2:30pm in the Link Room - Fellowship

Anniversary with Maureen & Richard

Thursday 21st March

Carers & Toddlers - 10:00-11:30am in the Hall/Link Room

Sunday 24th March 2019

Morning Worship - 10:30am with the Rev Emma Aikins

Stewards - Denise, Barbara and Jim

Welcome - Ken & Brenda

Music - Hilda, Sound - Catherine

Refreshments - Gloria, Flowers - Barbara

followed by our Lent Course, in the Church

Contact Details

Contact: Jeananne (07729 028850) -contact@stoneleighmethodist.church.

Website: stoneleighmethodist.church - full details of all groups and activities, including the Church Centre usage calendar.

All items for future NewsSheets should be emailed to news@stoneleighmethodist.church from where they will be redirected automatically to those compiling the next edition - **please do not send directly to individuals** (in case they're not about for a few days).

Alternatively pass to Denise or Robin, or drop into the Church letter box under the arches by room 1. We'll make every effort to get late entries published, or read from the lectern if too late for the printed sheet.