



Welcome to Stoneleigh Methodist Church

Welcome to all, especially if you are here for the first time, as we worship God together

Today's Services Sunday 19th January 2020

10:30am: Morning Worship with the Rev Emma Cusack

Hymns: - StF 745, 18, 57, 351, 504 (red hymnbook in the pews)

Readings: - John 1:29-42

Our Thanks this morning to:

Our Stewards - Ernie and Jim,

Welcome team - Pat S

Music - Pat P (H), Sound - Colin, Refreshments - Debbie

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.

We will serve refreshments in the Church after the Service.

Our Service is followed at 1:00pm by the Circuit discussion in the Link Room - you are welcome to stay after the Service until that meeting starts.

Prayers

Please pray for Emma leading our Service this morning and for the Circuit Marriage & Relationships meeting here from 1:00pm today.

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.

“My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry,” James 1:19

Notices

Thank You! We just wanted to say a huge thank you from all of us to those that helped with the Thanksgiving Service for David Eagle on Monday, 13th January. It was a wonderful celebration and fitting tribute to the life of David.

There are far too many people to mention individually, however we are very grateful for all of those who were involved. We would also like to thank everyone for their cards, letters, phone calls visits etc, and most importantly prayers that have sustained us all in this difficult time and will do in the future. *Love in Christ, Hazel, Richard, Sheila and the rest of the family.*

The D.I.Y. and Auriol House Group will meet at 12:30pm on Monday 27th January at Jim's house - please bring a sandwich.

Churches Together in Ewell. It is the week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18th-25th January. If you can please think of someone from another church to our own who you can perhaps especially pray for, give thanks for.....

Or maybe take the time to visit another church, attend one of their meetings, or if it is practically possible just go into their building, or go and park or stand outside their building and pray....*Sally*

Joint service at Ruxley. On Sunday 26th January, the Rev Dr Jongikaya Zihle, Joint Chair of the Methodist London District, will be speaking at Ruxley's Anniversary Service and meal. In order that you can have the opportunity of hearing Rev Jongi this will be a joint service, and there will be no service at Stoneleigh on that day, but we hope that you will

join with Ruxley for this celebration. This All Age service, which includes Communion, begins at 10:00am and will be followed by a faith lunch, after which Rev Jongi will speak about his journey and what it means to be District Chair.

For catering purposes Ruxley would be grateful for some idea of numbers so, if you intend to go, please speak to Jeananne. Also, anyone needing help with transport, please speak to someone on the Leadership Team. Thank you. *Lesley*

Some Church members receive a copy of the weekly NewsSheet by email; other local Churches offer a similar service to their members. The reasons are varied and range from not wanting to miss the news on a week when a Sunday visit is not possible (for any number of reasons), to wanting a copy in advance of the actual service.

If you would like to be added to our list for a NewsSheet by email at the crack of dawn every Sunday, just let Denise or I know - no charge! *Robin*

In case you missed it . . .

My thanks to all those who have sent me cards or letters of sympathy following David's death. *Hazel*

God in Love Unites Us - Marriage and Relationships: Circuit Conversations. At 1:00pm after today's Service (19th January) we will gather at Stoneleigh Methodist Church to sit around a meal table to eat together and to enter into a prayerful consideration of the Report of the Marriage and Relationships Task Group 2019. As we converse sensitively and respectfully with one another we will cover such subjects as ways of relating, relationships and sexuality. We will not be voting on anything. Please join us if you possibly can. Thank you. *Rev Paul Timmis*

Christmas 'Special' Services. Using the familiar formats, our *Carols by Candlelight* and *Crib Services* were much appreciated by those present. We were once again grateful to those who prepared and deployed the candles, and to Louise who directed and co-ordinated the children on Christmas Eve.

Looking forward at SMC

Monday 20th January

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

Monday Group - 8:00pm at Helen's

Tuesday 21st January

Tuesday Fellowship - 2:30pm in the Link Room with the Rev Emma Cusack - all are welcome

Wednesday 22nd January

Knit & Natter - 10:00am- noon in Meeting Room 1

Quiet Reflective Service - 7:30pm in the New Room

Thursday 23rd January

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

Sunday 26th January 2020

Morning Worship - 10:00am at RUXLEY

Joint Service to celebrate Ruxley's Anniversary, led by the Rev Dr Jongikaya Zihle, Joint Chair of the Methodist London District and our own Rev Emma Cusack, followed by a faith lunch, after which Rev Jongi will speak about his journey and what it means to be District Chair. See a member of the Leadership team for transport

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For both Foodbank and Whitechapel - if there is no-one at the Church Centre to accept donations, please phone 020 8393 2155 for advice.

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

All items for future NewsSheets - if you can, please email to news@stoneleighmethodist.church from where they will be automatically redirected to those compiling the next edition - **please do not send to individuals** (in case they are 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 will make every effort to get late entries published, or read from the lectern if too late for the printed sheet.