



Woodstock **Methodist** Church



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Notices for the week beginning 22 October 2017

Sunday 22 October	10.30am	Rev. Adam Stevenson
Sunday 29 October	10.30am	Matt Stammers
Fridays	10.00am	Friday Prayers

Appeal The Disasters Emergency Committee ([DEC](#)) is appealing for help for the thousands of Rohingya refugees who have fled across the border from Myanmar (Burma) to Bangladesh and who are in desperate need of clean water, shelter, food and medical care. Christian Aid is one of 13 aid agencies who are members of the DEC and part of the appeal. Envelopes are available for the last time today for anyone able to help. If you are a taxpayer and can gift-aid your donation it will add considerably to your gift e.g. £100 becomes £125. Please write your name and address on the envelope so that gift-aid can be claimed. The Government has said it will match all giving up to £3 million. Thank you.

Action for Children Home collecting boxes have been emptied and the contents counted. £203.43 is being sent to Action for Children to support the wonderful work they do. Many thanks to the 13 people who have boxes. If anyone else would like somewhere to deposit small change, please ask Sue B for a box.

Pastoral Visitors Sarah Folley and Christine Parrett have kindly agreed to become pastoral visitors.

Matilda the Musical is at Bladon Methodist Church from Monday 23 to Saturday 28 October at 7.30pm. Tickets £12/£8 from www.juniorchurch.co.uk/matilda or from 01869 337881.

Autumn Walk Mike Smith will lead a 5-mile country walk from the Tite Inn, Chadlington on Saturday 11 November, leaving at 10am and returning there for 12.30pm, when non-walkers will be most welcome to join us for lunch. Please sign the list at the back of church by the organ, if possible no later than Sunday 5 November, if you would like to join in the walk and/or lunch.

Sainsbury's and Fair Trade People from Kidlington Methodist Church are planning to be outside the big Kidlington Sainsbury's from c.10am on Saturday 28 October to protest against the company's stated intention to stop using the Fairtrade Foundation's standards on own-brand products. They would appreciate support for the [Don't Ditch Fairtrade](#) campaign.

Remembrance and Thanksgiving Service Rev. Rosemary Davies' service at Lime Walk will be on 22 October, not on the 29th as published in last week's notices. Full details overleaf.

Church Anniversary is on Sunday 5 November. Our morning service will be followed by a bring-and-share lunch.

Spencer Court Also on 5 November is our turn to lead worship with residents at 5.30pm.

Remembrance Sunday is on 12 November. Our service will be at 9.45am and finish at 10.30a.m. to allow time for those who wish to go across to the War Memorial for the Act of Remembrance.

Food Bank The Community Foodbank box at the back of church can still be filled with tins of many things: fruit, custard or pudding rice, soup, pasta sauce, meat (all types) and fish (i.e. tuna), vegetables, potatoes or instant mash, baked beans, tins or cartons of tomatoes, rice, breakfast cereals (not oats), coffee, tea, small packets of sugar, long life semi skimmed milk, long life fruit juice, biscuits, jams or pasta.

Ministerial support Please contact Rev. Dr Martin Wellings (martin.wellings@oxfordmethodists.org.uk) if you need to be in touch with a minister, or contact the Circuit Office on 01865 243216.

We welcome all visitors to our service this morning.

Please make yourself known to one of the stewards and do stay for tea or coffee after the service!

This week			
Date	Time	Venue	Event
Tuesday	9.45am	Church	Tuesday Tots
Thursday	10.30am	Hall	Thursday coffee
Friday	10.00am	Church	Friday prayers

Forthcoming events			
Date	Time	Venue	Event
Sunday 5 November	10.30am	Church	Church Anniversary. Service led by Rev. Helen Cameron, then lunch in the Hall
	5.30pm	Hall	Spirituality on Screen
	5.30pm	Spencer Court	Worship with residents

Kennington Methodist Church celebrates its 50th anniversary this month as a place of worship. There will be a concert in the Church on Saturday 28 October at 7pm and a service on Sunday 29 October at 10.30am followed by a buffet lunch served in adjoining rooms at 12 noon. The friends at Kennington extend a warm welcome to anyone who would like to join them for the celebrations. If you're intending to join them for the buffet lunch then please let Rosemary Davies know at rev.rosemarydavies@gmail.com

Lime Walk Methodist Church, Headington is holding a Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving on Sunday 22 October at 4.30pm when those who have been bereaved recently or a long time ago can give thanks for their loved ones. This service of about 40 minutes will include hymns, readings and an act of remembrance. Tea and cake will be served in the Hall afterwards. Please come along yourself and bring someone you think would appreciate being at this service.

Yesterday we were crucified with Christ; today we are glorified with him. Yesterday we were dead with Christ; today we are sharing in his resurrection. Yesterday we were buried with him; today we are waking with him from the sleep of death. Amen.

Gregory of Nazianzus (329-389)

Jesus, at my awakening,
 breathe new life into me.
 Jesus, in my growth,
 protect and guide me.
 Jesus, in my maturing,
 grant me wisdom and peace.
 Jesus, in my decline,
 offer comfort and hope.
 Jesus, in my passing,
 carry me home to eternal rest. Amen.

Yvonne Williams, Northallerton

