

daily reflections from a link on the Methodist Website. Why not join in now or use them at any time of the year?

Aros yng nGhris Abide in Christ



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Paying the Bills Many thanks to those who pay into church bank or have given donations so we can continue to paying the bills. Please contact us if you need any information about contributing to the church. As it is the beginning of a new year we could give you a set of envelopes so you can put by your collection each week and give it to us when we return to worship or we could collect them when we next drop off notices.

Tablet waste We have now learnt that we can recycle medicine tablet waste. So please start saving your empty blister packs.

Don't forget To return questionnaires and jars of grace, (THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY RETURNED THEIRS—SO FAR WE HAVE RAISED £31 FOR ALL WE CAN) I believe circuit tablets are still available. Please remember Alpha India Recycling, Trussell Trust, Downton Green Group, Free Methodist prayer line, knitting hats, let me know if you want worship on a CD, —see previous sheets for details or give me a call.

If you need help Nicky Ashton Clerk to parish council is coordinator, please contact her on 01725 513245 or e mail-clerk@redlynchparishcouncil.org

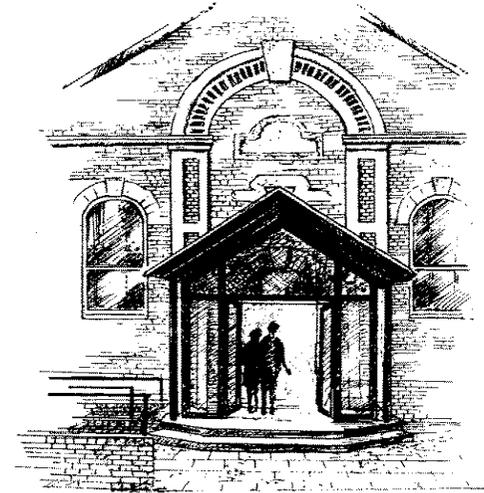
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HOPE YOU ALL KEEP WELL

Woodfalls

Methodist Church

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Unfortunately due to the increase in cases of COVID 19 all public worship has been suspended until things improve.

Apologies for sending this out a little later than usual but we have spent every day since 5th January checking shoe boxes at home, but we finished them ahead of schedule. For interest we kept a note of how many we took back each day and we checked over 2000, of the 6000 boxes they had donated this year. Because of the Pandemic there was a lot less help this year.

Despite having less boxes we still ran out of hats on the last couple of days. We hope by this November we will be able to check them in Salisbury.

Church Family news We are sorry to inform you Bill Smith passed away in his sleep at Woodfalls Care Home on 4th January. His funeral Taken by Rev Bryan Coates was held at Woodlands Burial Ground, near Christchurch, where Bill and Margaret had secured a plot in 2005. In due course Bryan is going to let me have his talk to share with you all. They played “Abide with me” as people arrived, listened to Lord of all hopefulness, Bill Maddy read the eulogy, Poppy Neame sang Amazing Grace, Tristan (grandson) read from John Chapter 14, after Bryan’s address and prayers, Poppy sang We’ll meet again before people walked to the committal at the graveside. Please remember Margaret, Sue, Harvey, Tristan and Charlotte in your prayers.

Muriel D wishes to express her grateful thanks to everyone for their many cards, prayers and love sent to her following the death of her dearly loved twin sister, Peggy.

Food and Hygiene and Safety Course After going through my notes from the course on what we need to improve on we need to purchase a new kitchen PEDAL bin at a cost of £25, so people don’t need to touch it when they use it—I think with COVID this is even more important. Plus we need to get some disinfectant wipes for the temperature probe which will cost £8.40 from Amazon. If anyone would like to donate the cost of either please let us know. Plus you will find some new signs in the kitchen.

Church building Thanks to Quita for starting to clean the ovens. Graham has dismantled a bit more of the old photocopier while the engineer was servicing the boilers, water heater and gas hob. This is the latest poster outside the front of the church.



From the Methodist Website 20 January 2021
Abide in Christ ***“We are different from one another in so many ways but we have in common our abiding in Christ.”***

- The Revd Ruth Gee, Assistant Secretary of the Conference and Connexional Ecumenical Officer, marks this year’s Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

In this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity we are invited to reflect on what it means to abide in Christ.

When the world is changing around us, as we are experiencing change and loss as divisions and injustice in society are exposed more clearly because of a virus which we cannot control: what does it mean to abide?

To be called to abide is to be called to stability and to an ordered way of life. To be called to abide in Christ is to be called to find that stability and order through following Christ. We are invited to abide in Christ, to find in Christ the stable and sure basis for life.

Christians abide in Christ. Daily we seek to follow his way in our varied places, with different cultural heritages, worshipping in a rich variety of ways. We are different from one another in so many ways but we have in common our abiding in Christ. When we recognise our common abiding then we can be enriched by the perspectives of others and then we can begin to learn from and truly respect one another.

Jesus said, “Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.” (John 15:5) Together, as those who abide in Christ, we can do so much more to share the love of God and to speak and act against intolerance, injustice and oppression.

This year, the daily reflection for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has been produced by the sisters in a Benedictine Community. Stability or abiding is an important part of the Benedictine way of life, it is about being rooted and grounded in Christ, recognising the presence of Christ wherever you are and following his way. You can find the