

Recycling I'm struggling to find time to empty the boxes now Mark is volunteering at the British Heart Foundation, I miss his help after Creation Station and meal. So if anyone would like to take on the job please let me know. There is a lady in Valley Close off Vale Road who takes most of it.

Don't Forget

- Puzzle checking—If you want something to do during the long cold winter evenings you could take a puzzle or two to check that all the pieces are there before we sell them at the next sale.
- Cards for Sale—We haven't sold many over the past few weeks so if they aren't need we will stop making them. Please let us have any comments before we stop—when we first put them in the porch we made a few pounds a week which was extra income for the church.
- church family news—Please let us have any news to pass on to the rest of the church family
- jobs on the building—If you are able to do any small jobs whilst you can't work on your garden at home please let us know.
- knitting hats to go in shoe boxes—please let us know if you would like any wool. Plus please start saving bits for this years boxes.
- money for flowers—Eileen is always grateful for donations towards flowers.
- Save sweet or biscuits tubs for future Cake Sales

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Woodfalls Methodist Church 18th January 2023 ** Further details inside

Wed	18th Jan	10.45am	Café Style Worship led by Rev Anna Bishop + Lunch	Methodist Hall
Thurs	19th Jan	10.-12.30	Café	Methodist Small Hall
Sun	22nd Jan	10.00am	Holy Communion	St Mary's
		4pm	Wild Sparks **	St Mary's Churchyard
Mon	23rd Jan	10-12	Creation Station + Coffee & Cake	Methodist Hall
Tues	24th Jan		Phoenix New Year Meal **	
		7.30pm	Village Singers Hope to continue	Methodist Church
Wed	25th Jan	2.30pm	Link meeting	Small Hall
Thurs	26th Jan	10.-12.30	Café	Methodist Small Hall
Sun	29th Jan	10.30am	Team Service for Candlemas	St Laurence
Mon	30th Jan	10-12	Creation Station + Coffee & Cake	Methodist Hall
Tues	31st Jan	1-3pm	Working Party	St Mary's Churchyard
Wed	1st Feb	10.45am	Café Style Worship led by Rev Anna Bishop + Lunch	Methodist Hall
Thurs	2nd Feb	10-12.30	Café	Methodist Small Hall
		10.30	Talkabout	Methodist Hall
Sun	5th Feb	10.00	Holy Communion	St Birinus
Mon	6th Feb	10-12	Creation Station + Coffee & Cake	Methodist Hall
Sun	12th Feb	10.00am	Morning Worship led by Rev ? Robinson (No details on plan and no replies to my e mails!!)	Methodist Church

Future Non Weekly events planned

Thurs	16th Feb	10-12.30	Stay and Play	Methodist Hall
Sat	18th Feb	5.30pm	Social on theme of Love as it's in the week of Valentine Day.**	Methodist Hall
Tues	21st Mar	10am	Church Council	Methodist Small Hall

PLEASE PUT THE DATES OVERLEAF IN YOUR DIARIES

**** Sunday 22nd January 4pm Wild Sparks St Mary's Church yard.**

Anna and Veronica will lead this outdoor service on the theme of light. Please wear suitable clothing and bring a torch. If you're unable to wander round the churchyard yourself, please encourage families and friends to go. The craft will be making candles, we will finish with Hot Chocolate and marshmallows round the firepit..

****Tuesday 24th January** Phoenix are going out for a New Year Lunch Time Meal at the Wooden Spoon. If you would like to go please contact Quita. We can help with transport.

****Saturday 18th February 5.30pm** Social starting with a meal, then followed by Valentine Bingo and other games and activities. To help with catering please let Anita know if you hope to come.

Social 14th January We started with Pizza and salad followed by fruit strudel and custard. Then everyone was divided into Celebrities and contestants. (In pairs) Most people got the same answers to statements like :- My pet ferret loves to hide in the kookiest places. His favourite location is up people's..... But some were harder like "All together now! Old MacDonald had a farm. E-I-E-I-O. And on that farm he had a

Roads to God We continue to pray for all those people who live or work in our local parishes. If there is anything or anyone you would like us to pray for, please contact roadstogod1@outlook.com

Tablets and Medicines still needed The deadline has been extended but haven't yet heard when it will be. So if you have any paracetamol, ibuprofen, throat or nose sprays or mucolytics (Mucolytics are a class of medications that are used to thin mucus in the airways.) you no longer need, even if they are out of date, there is a local collection being made to go out to Ukraine where they are badly needed. Or you could buy some new ones to go.

Building Update The PAT testing was done this morning. Everything passed except one kettle and the organ light. So I have asked Valerie to look for a suitable light and then we will buy it.

We had the boilers and hobs serviced and all were OK. Except those of you that were there on Sunday morning would have learned that the boilers were left turn off and so didn't come on Sunday morning—luckily it wasn't as cold as this morning and by the time people arrived it wasn't too cold. She also spent a while on the kitchen water heater and tried a couple of possible problems but couldn't fix it. So we are now waiting for quotes to replace it with another gas water heater, and also for an electric heater instead. From what I have learned so far Gas boilers are more expensive than electric, but to have an electric one we will need to have a supply brought from the fuse board in the passageway to the back porch, through the kitchen ceiling, over the hall ceiling and down to the fuse board. Which may work out just as expensive.

The Surveyor from Methodist Insurance was fairly happy with the building. The only advice she gave was about doing Risk Assessments—I wasn't quite sure why as we do risk assessments for new things anyway and we had e mailed her our general risk assessments before she came. The other thing she highlighted was the leads for the TV in the church as the mats we had ordered hadn't arrived when she came. However I thought I was ordering the same mats as we had before but when they arrived they are smaller !! She said we might want to instal floor sockets.

Village Singers Are hoping to start meeting again regularly from Tuesday 24th. But like before they will do blocks of 5 or 6 weeks at a time.

Biscuits and Cake for Hang Out If anyone had too many biscuits for Christmas or would like to make a cake or donate some cake or biscuits to the new group for children and their parents at St Birinus on Wednesdays, Catherine would be very grateful as they eat rather a lot !!

Family News Please remember Sylvia Thomas and her family in your prayers as her husband Harold died peacefully in Salisbury Hospital last week.

We are please to welcome Judith to Creation Station and Worship. She has come to live in Slab Lane, from Scotland.