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## Notices Sunday 20 October Worship

All Saints	Trinity			
Sunday 20 October	Sunday 20 October			
10:30am	10:30am			
Morning Worship	Morning Worship with Baptism			
& Holy Communion	led by Deacon Selina			
led by				
Revd Georgina Bondzi-Simpson				
Sunday 27 October	Sunday 27 October			
10:30am	10:30am			
Morning Worship	Morning Worship			
led by	led by			
Daphne Savage	Revd Georgina Bondzi-Simpson			

Abingdon Marathon will take place on Sunday 20 October. Some road closures are planned for the start of the marathon and in other places stop/go boards will be used to ensure the runners can run in safety. This might affect journeys to church from some locations. Details can be found at: https://www.abingdonmarathon.org.uk/race-information

The deadline for the November 2024 Triangle is Friday 18th October Please send contributions by email to BOTH Cynthia Bartlett (cynbartlett@yahoo.co.uk) AND Val Dalby (vadalby17@gmail.com) OR via the Trinity Office.

#### **ALL SAINTS NEWS**

Margaret Hoskins has now stood down from more than 25 years of dedicated service as a **Communion Steward**. The current team of two regular stewards and one backup are *seeking another steward for occasional duties*. The duties are not onerous. if you feel that this is a service you could offer, please talk to Larissa, or one of the Stewards.

Just Women: Wednesday 23 October, 7.30pm, Perry Room. Eileen Appleyard will take us thorough her life story. All women welcome.

*Church Family Committee* Church Family Committee are **postponing** the Nasio Evening which was to be held at All Saints on *Saturday November 2nd*. This is due to a sudden and serious hospitalisation for Sue Russell's mother. We send Sue, her mother, and all the family our love and prayers.. *Anne M* 

**Harvest Gifts** an ENORMOUS thank you to everyone who contributed to the foodbank at the Harvest Service last Sunday. There was a huge amount to transfer and all was gratefully received. **Current needs** include hotdogs, tinned ham, stir fry noodles, hot chocolate, cooking oil, soya milk, honey and pesto; as well as 2in1 shampoo, toothpaste and size 5 nappies. All your support is much appreciated. *Very many thanks JPB* 

## **TRINITY NEWS**

**Thank you to all** who contributed items for the **Shoebox Appeal**, and to all who came to Thursday group/friendship group on 9th October to make up the boxes. We completed 36 boxes and took £72 pounds towards cost of sending them. Since then we have received another three boxes. It's not too late if you would like to do one and bring to church as they are being collected mid November.

**Trinity Evergreen Club** - Monday 21 October: We are delighted to welcome Ann Ford who is going to give us a talk about Morris Minors in The Media. I'm sure we all have a great affection for these cars.....

We start at 2.30 and there will be refreshments and raffle as usual.

**Plastering** the exposed stonework in the north transept and the nave is planned for *Monday, 28th October & Friday, 1st November*. Please have a word with Malcolm if you need any more information.

Thursday Group - see Dates, 14 November

#### Come and join the team on Christmas Day 2024

For a number of years churches in Abingdon have welcomed people who would otherwise be alone on Christmas Day. This year on Christmas Day we will be inviting 60 people to have a two course lunch for free with us at Peachcroft Christian Centre. We need a number of volunteers. If you would like to volunteer please email <u>Christmaslunch24@peachcroftcc.org</u> as soon as possible. Role includes:

Event Helpers (11:30-16:30) - A variety of roles, from greeting guests, table service of food and drink, talking and eating with guests

<u>Cleaning crew</u> - Arrive at 15:30 to wash up and tidy up the Church

<u>Finance (Christmas Day attendance optional)</u> Write the budget, keep records of income and expenditure.

Posters to invite guests will follow soon, however, if you know someone who would like to come, please send an email with details

to <u>Christmaslunch24@peachcroftcc.org</u> and a member of the team will be in touch.

### DATES

**Music at St Michael's: Sunday 20 October**: *Pavlova Winds* will be performing music by Holst and Hindemith. Tickets £12/£10 Accompanied children under 16 free.

Abingdon Artists Autumn Exhibition: Christ Church Barn Saturday 26 October – Friday 1 November (closed Sunday)., 10am – 4:30pm. You are cordially invited to join *The Revd Dr Charles Miller* when he presides and preaches at his final service as Vicar of St Helen's Church & Team Rector of Abingdon-on-Thames on All Saints' Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024 in St Helen's Church at 3 pm + Simple refreshments will follow the service

**Monday 4 November**: the next in the series of conversations reflecting on our call to mission, evangelism and growth. Topic: **Reflection** 7:30pm at All Saints.

#### November 14 Trinity Thursday Group: 7.30pm Conduit Centre

**Mercy Ships.** Rachel Buckingham will be telling us about her visits this year to Sierra Leone on the *Global Mercy* and Madagascar on the *Africa Mercy*. This will be an *open meeting so all are welcome*. There will Mercy Ships Christmas cards on sale and also a "bring and buy" table so please bring some cash!

Abingdon Church Twinning presents: DNAPQuiz (Definitely not a pub quiz) Join us for a fun evening on Saturday 23rd November from 6.30pm for a prompt 7.00pm start at the Conduit Centre, Trinity Church. Quizmaster-extraordinaire Richard will test your general knowledge with 7 rounds of 10 questions. All questions are on the big screen with an answer booklet to help. Tickets are £15 per person which includes a welcome drink and a ploughman's supper in the interval. There will be a maximum of 6 people per table, prizes for the winning table, raffle and further refreshments available with donation For tickets please contact (at Trinity) Alastair Fear Tel 01235 203023 alastair.fear@gmail.com or Margaret Greaney Tel 01235 534900 margaret\_greaney@hotmail.co.uk or (at All Saints) Maurice Tubb.

### **NEWS & NOTICES**

Black History Month: To mark Black History Month, two Black District Chairs (The Revd Sonia Hicks, Northampton Methodist District & The Revd Dr Marcus Torchon, Bristol District) share their experiences and thoughts on Black leadership in the Church.

https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/the-inclusive-methodistchurch/racial-justice/black-history-month-2024/being-a-black-district-chair/



## Working together for a just, peaceful and sustainable world

Each year, thousands of people take part in One World Week events across the country.

The week always includes United Nations Day (24th October) although events can and do happen all year round.

Events are organised by volunteers with the common purpose: To share understanding about some of the global issues that affect us all and to recognise we can all make a difference.

www.oneworldweek.org

#### **One World Week - Methodist Church**

God's intention for God's diverse human race is about living and thriving alongside those from whom we are different; it is about being aware of our connectedness, aware of those who are vulnerable in our midst and doing all we can to uphold and build one another up. It is also about caring for our planet and seeking to safeguard it for the future.

As disciples of Christ, we are called to be good neighbours to people in need, and to challenge injustice. In a time when the arrival of refugees and asylum seekers is still highly debated, it is essential that we keep on challenging injustice by continuing to stand in solidarity with refugees and asylum seekers in our communities. It is also crucial that we treat other people - "the other", those different from us, including those on the 'edges' or the 'margins' with dignity in our encounters, conversations and relationships.

"A better future is possible if we treat others, and the planet as we'd wish to be treated." In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide world.

Join hands then all the human race, whate'er your nation be; all children of the living God are surely kin to me.

(John Oxenham, StF 685)

#### Prayers

It's so easy, Lord, to behave in a way that isn't welcoming; to only want people like us; those who talk like us, think like us and act like us. It's hard to welcome those who behave in strange ways, those who challenge our preconceived ideas and those we struggle to like. Yet you call us to love all. Forgive us for the times when we have been unwelcoming, for the times we haven't loved and for the times we have turned your children away. Forgive us, for just as those who we have turned away need the good news of your radical love, so do we. In the name of Christ. James Blackhall Amen. God of all. praise and thanks be yours through Jesus, who at his birth received visits from shepherds and foreigners, who invited fishermen and tax collectors to be his disciples, who taught us not to judge others, who healed a Roman's servant and a Canaanite's daughter, who was happy to be counted as one who ate and drank with sinners, who challenged religious leaders for neglecting justice, mercy and faith, who sets before us an example of the inclusive mission and ministry of the gospel. Cleanse us by your Holy Spirit, and as we reject and resist discrimination. May we truly love and serve you as we love and serve all. In Jesus' name. Mark Slaney Amen.

Prayers from: jds-user-guide-0123\_lXfVNpD.pdf (methodist.org.uk)

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