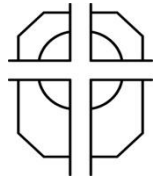




THE UNITED CHURCH
Jewry Street, Winchester
(Methodist and United Reformed)



Minister: Revd Tim Searle
(Day off - Wednesdays)

Church Office Telephone No: 01962 849559

Building community through the love of Christ

Welcome to Worship: If you are a newcomer or a visitor, please make yourself known to us by name. This morning the Crèche and Junior Church meet downstairs from the start of the service and come to the Sanctuary to share Communion. Please ask if you would like directions.

Sunday 4th November 2018

9.00 am

WORD & WORSHIP

Led by: **Revd Prof Neil Messer**

Hebrews 9: 11 – 14; Mark 12: 28 - 34

10.00 am

Coffee in the Hall

10.30 am

MORNING SERVICE WITH COMMUNION

*Communion
will be taken
in our seats*

Preacher & Celebrant: **Revd Tim Searle**

Psalm 146 (NRSV); Mark 12: 28-34 (NRSV)

*Coffee, together with a Fair Trade stall, is served after the service.
Do join us!*

Sunday 11th November 2018

Ruth 3: 1-5, 4: 13-17; Hebrews 9: 24-28; Mark 12: 38-44

9.00 am

Sunday Celebration (S): Revd Tim Searle

10.30 am

Morning Worship: Revd Tim Searle

S = Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

At the 10.30 am service hymns, songs and readings are on the screen. Hymn books and Bibles are available from the Stewards at the doors to the Sanctuary

Our Mission Statement

We proclaim the all-embracing love of Jesus Christ. We are an inclusive church where all are welcome, whether joyful, hurting, confident or doubting. We journey alongside all faiths and none, as we seek to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with God, guided by the Holy Spirit.

The Week's Activities

COFFEE BAR is open: Monday to Friday, 10 am–2 pm & Saturday 10 am–12 noon

FAIR TRADE SHOP open: 1st + 3rd Wednesdays 10 am-2 pm & Sunday mornings

CHURCH OFFICE is open: Monday to Friday, 10.00 am–2.00 pm

MONDAY 5 NOVEMBER

9.30-12noon **Church Council** *in Room 1*

12noon **Pastoral Visitors' meeting** *in Room 1*

TUESDAY 6 NOVEMBER

2-3.30pm **Baby & Toddler Group** *in the Hall*

WEDNESDAY 7 NOVEMBER

12.30-1pm **Space in the City: 'REMEMBERING WAR, MAKING PEACE'**
– Michael Wooldridge: *reporting war and peace*

2.30pm **Wednesday Fellowship**: speaker tbc

4-6pm **Angel Workshop** *in the Hall*

THURSDAY 8 NOVEMBER

10am-1pm **Coffee Bar Playtime** *in Room 1*

FRIDAY 9 NOVEMBER

11-11.20am **Friday service** *in the Sanctuary*: Tom Belshaw

NOTICES

Tim's usual day-off has now changed to Wednesdays, exceptions to this will be in the weekly notice sheet.

CHURCH RELAUNCH OPEN DAYS 6TH TO 9TH DECEMBER.

Can you spare some time to welcome visitors to the church during our open days at the beginning of Advent? Could you welcome people at the door, show them round the sanctuary, play music, or sit with them in the prayer chapel? If you would like to help with any of these roles, please sign up for two hour slots on the notice in the hall, or e-mail me boblord3004@gmail.com or Dorothy Lusmore dotlusmore@gmail.com.

Dates for your diary:

Prayer for the Open Days, please join us on **Thursday 29 November**, from **10.30-11.30 am in the Sanctuary**.

Follow-up Welcome Evening on Monday 10th December, 7-8.30pm in the **Sanctuary**.

TRAIDCRAFT CHRISTMAS CARDS are available on the Fairtrade Stall to buy or order until **TODAY, 4th November**. *Those who have ordered previously may collect them from the stall today.* Hilary Lock.

WHITE POPPIES, in support of the work of The Peace Pledge Union, and **RED POPPIES**, from the British Legion, are available on Sundays and in the Coffee Bar, when open.

ANGEL WORKSHOPS:

Many thanks to those of you who have taken part so far. If you weren't able to make either of the first two workshops "fear not" (as the angel said) there's still time. **PLEASE come on 7 November or 27 November** (possibly another in between) **at 4pm** for two hours. There will be cake!! Please let me know if you are thinking of coming. Thanks. Juli (juliwills12@gmail.com or 863057)

THE WAR MEMORIALS that commemorate the 32 men who died from the three congregations which later came together to form The United Church are on display in the Sanctuary. Please take time to read the names on the war memorials; remember and give thanks for those who gave their lives.

URC PRAYER HANDBOOK FOR 2019 is now available. If you would like a copy please let Jean Giles know. Price £6.50 plus postage (approx £1).

WINCHESTER CHURCHES CHRISTMAS PROJECT

Donations: If you would like to help with a donation these can be made via The United Church – ideally by mid-November. We do need to know what funds are available before families are allocated money. *Cheques should be made out to "Winchester Churches Christmas Project" and if you pay tax and wish to Gift Aid please add "Gift Aid" to the project name.* Gift Aid envelopes and special collecting boxes are available in the church.

New volunteers: If you would like information with a view to volunteering, then please contact Helen McTiffin asap. A newcomer will always be paired with an experienced volunteer. **We need to know volunteer numbers by 5th November.** Thank you for your support and prayers. Helen McTiffin.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - SAMARITAN'S PURSE SHOE BOX APPEAL.

If you have any items that you have not used or if you would like to make a donation we would be very pleased to receive them. Please let us have your box as soon as it is ready.

- ***Last day for completed boxes is Friday 16th November***
- ***We will be dedicating the boxes during the 10.30 am service on Sunday 18th November.***

SPACE IN THE CITY – Autumn series at The United Church

'REMEMBERING WAR, MAKING PEACE'

Wednesdays, 12.30 – 1 pm, 3rd October to 14th November (inc).

14 November Alice Farnhill – *Reconciliation at Coventry Cathedral*

No entrance charge but donations welcome. Refreshments available. If you miss any of the talks/would like to hear them again go to www.spaceinthecity.org.uk

ACTION FOR CHILDREN. Having emptied the League of Light boxes from my collectors, I have sent an amount of £327.48 to Action for Children. Many

thanks to all those involved. Mary.

DAYTIME HOUSE GROUP: We will be meeting in the Chapel on the Tuesday afternoon at **2.30 pm on 13 November**. Future dates: 27 Nov, 11 Dec.

CHANGE OF DATE: The next **WOMENS' GROUP** will be on **Wednesday 21 November** (not Thursday 29th), at 7.30pm, at The Queen, Winchester.

RUTH VALERIO, Tear Fund's Global Advocacy and Influencing Director, will be speaking at the University of Winchester on **22nd November** on **Just Living: Faith and Community in an age of Consumerism**, at 6.15pm Winchester University Chapel, SO24 0QF. To book email chaplaincy@winchester.ac.uk

Please check out the **Climate Coalition campaign** for this autumn asking your MP to sign an open letter to the Government asking for them to lead the way towards a future that doesn't contribute to carbon emissions- A bold and necessary leadership 10 years after the Climate Change Act. A briefing about that is available at <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/campaigns/climate-change/uk-climate-change-act-10th-birthday> Jo Crocker.

THE FLOWERS today have been kindly donated by Lyn Jones in loving memory of Bill.

PRAYERS

Happy is he... whose hope is in the Lord, his God: which made heaven and earth, the sea and all that therein is.... *Psalms 146, vs 5 & 6*

Let us pray :

- for the children of Yemen. Save the Children have warned that an entire generation may face death and starvation on an unprecedented scale.
- for the families of the victims of the shooting in the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh, USA, in which eleven people were killed.
- for those suffering from depression, that they may benefit from the chancellor's proposed increased spending on mental health services, and have access to talking therapies, which, at present, are not available to all.

May we hold in our hearts any member of our church family, or anyone we know, who is ill and low in spirit, that God will be present to them and sustain them.

'And let thy glorious light, Shine ever on my sight, And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.' *Bianco da Siena (d 1434)*

Prayer Bowl in the sanctuary is for people to place their confidential prayers in. The bowl is brought forward during the service and prayed over but not read out. Revd Tim Searle will take them home and use them as part of his prayers.