



# THE UNITED CHURCH

Jewry Street, Winchester  
(Methodist and United Reformed)



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**Day off: Wednesday**

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## 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. The Crèche (available from 10.30) and Junior Church meet downstairs after the first part of our Morning Service; please ask if you would like directions.*

### SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2020

**9.00 am WORD & WORSHIP**

Led by: **Mr Tom Belshaw**

*Deuteronomy 30: 15 - 20; 1 Corinthians 3: 1- 9*

*10.00 am Coffee in the Hall*

**10.30 am MORNING WORSHIP**

Led by: **Revd Prof Neil Messer**

*Deuteronomy 30: 15 - 20; Matthew 5: 21- 37*

*Coffee, together with a Fair Trade stall, is served after the 10.30am service. Do join us!*

#### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2020

*Exodus 24: 12 - 18; 2 Peter 1: 16 - 21; Matthew 17: 1 - 9*

**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.*

*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.*

## THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

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

FAIR TRADE SHOP open: 1<sup>st</sup> + 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays 10 am–2 pm & Sunday mornings

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

### TUESDAY 18 FEBRUARY

*No Baby & Toddler Group – Half term*

### WEDNESDAY 19 FEBRUARY

2.30pm

Wednesday Fellowship *in Room 1.*

### THURSDAY 20 FEBRUARY

10am–12.30pm

Coffee Bar Playtime *in Room 1*

### FRIDAY 21 FEBRUARY

11–11.20am

Friday service *in the Sanctuary – Graham Rolfe*

## NOTICES

**YOURS magazine:** Items for **March** should be with the editorial team by **Monday 17 February**. Please send them to [yours@ucw.org.uk](mailto:yours@ucw.org.uk) Thank you.

**CARD READER IN THE COFFEE BAR:** Card and mobile phone payments are now accepted in the Coffee Bar (minimum spend £1).



# PANCAKES



## Tuesday 25 February, 4 – 6.30pm

*NB pancakes served earlier for Baby & Toddler Group families*

All welcome



**freshly cooked pancakes  
- sweet & savoury toppings**

**Donations in aid of Action for Child Trauma International**  
*(formerly known as Luna Children's Charity)*

United Church Winchester, World Action project 2017-2020



### FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT, WINCHESTER & DISTRICT 24 FEBRUARY TO 8 MARCH

The focus this year will be on women in the cocoa and coffee industries across the world, campaigning for living incomes, year 2 of a three-year campaign. There will be a programme of events on [winchesterfairtrade.org.uk](http://winchesterfairtrade.org.uk)

**INVITATION: Snowdrop Saturday February 22<sup>nd</sup> 10am – 2pm, St Mary's Twyford.** Come and join us planting snowdrops at St Mary's and drop in for a hot drink from 10am or a bowl of soup from 12 noon – 2pm. We are celebrating the spreading of the snowdrops in our beautiful churchyard and

the beginning of Fairtrade fortnight as a Fairtrade church. In line with our aim to become an 'eco church', we will be serving seasonal soup from locally grown vegetables (as much as possible), and bread baked with City Mill flour. You with your families and friends would be most welcome.

**GOD TALK:** We had our first meeting which went so well we decided to meet again! However, from now on it will be the **last Thursday in the month, at 2:30 pm**. So our next meeting will be on **Thursday 27 February, 2:30 pm at Yvonne North's home**. We shall be discussing the theme "What do we mean by God's guidance"? If you would like to join us, please come along or contact Juli on 863057 or juliwills12@gmail.com.

**DISTRICT CHAIRS' FAREWELL AND WELCOME SERVICE, 29<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY AT 2PM** to say farewell to the Revd Andrew Wood, our out-going District Chair, and welcome to our new Chair, the Revd Andrew de Ville, at Chandler's Ford Methodist Church.

**LENT QUIET AFTERNOON.** You are invited to share in a Lent Quiet Afternoon at Chandler's Ford Methodist Church on **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March**, from 4pm to 6pm led by our Superintendent, the Revd Sue Keegan von Allmen. It will be an opportunity to reflect on Jesus' forty days and forty nights in the wilderness and the challenges that affect us today. All are welcome!

**DAYTIME HOUSE GROUP next meets on 3 March** (*not 18<sup>th</sup> February as previously advertised*) at 2.30pm in the Chapel. All welcome.

**CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP:** Our Superintendent, Sue Keegan von Allmen will be running a silent Prayer Group at **Chandler's Ford Methodist Church on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm in March starting on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March and finishing on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March**. The sessions will be an opportunity to learn about and use various forms of contemplative prayer and will include 20-30 minutes silence. All are welcome to attend - each session will be 'stand alone' - ie it's not essential to attend every one.

**CLIMATE CHANGE TALKS OVER LENT. FREE. Wednesdays 4<sup>th</sup> March to 1<sup>st</sup> April, 8-9.30pm, Christ Church Winchester (SO23 9SR).** Pre-ordained & powerless to stop or a Travesty we must tackle? What is God's view on Climate Change? Come and hear from a range of local experts including the ex-Director of Kew Gardens, international academics and our Churches Together Champion on the scientific, biblical and practical strands of the Climate Crisis. Learn how to be a part of the local solution to this global issue with positive simple actions and help tackle the crisis. **For more details and to book seats, go to <https://tinyurl.com/climatelent>**

**CHRISTIAN AID'S CLIMATE JUSTICE CAMPAIGN KICK-OFF EVENT, 9am on 7 March, at Wessex Centre, Winchester Cathedral,** for a morning to inform and equip ourselves to plan effective climate action. Hear about: stories from the front line of climate breakdown and Christian Aid's New Deal for Climate Justice campaign. Participate in: prayer, worship and planning for hope filled action.

**WESSEX SYNOD AT THE UNITED CHURCH ON SATURDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**

This is an important event involving up to 180 people. We are asked to provide stewarding, refreshments, music and first aid to support it.

**If you can help by doing any of the following, please let Bob Lord know: [admin@ucw.org.uk](mailto:admin@ucw.org.uk) /01962 855910**

- Serve coffee/tea/squash: 9.30-10.30am/ 12-1.30pm/4.30-5pm
- Help set up from 9am (carry boxes etc/rearrange furniture)
- Welcome and direct people from 9.45am.
- Ensure safe evacuation in case of emergency (9am-1pm and/or 1-5pm)

**BRIAN LUSMORE:** Brian's Funeral Service will be here on Tuesday 18 February, at 2.30pm, led by the Revd Jonathan Watkins. Brian has been a much-loved member here with Dorothy, Jo and family, and we will miss him. We pray for Dorothy, Jo and family, and Adrian and family at this time.

**THANK YOU.** *We would like to say many thanks for all the lovely cards and kind words; we have been overwhelmed by the love and support offered following Brian's death. Dorothy, Jo, and the family.*

**DICK PARKER:** Friends will be most sad to learn that Dick has died. He was 101 and has been a much-loved member here. He and Amy, his wife, became active members in 1979 serving in a range of roles including being amongst the first volunteers when the Coffee Bar was set up. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family. A Thanksgiving Service for Dick's life will be held here on Thursday 12 March, at 2 pm.

**PRAYERS**

*In the Sermon on the Mount we now read (Matt 5 21 -37) of what our behaviour should be to other people. Prayers for this half-term week:*

Loving Father we ask your blessing on teachers and pupils as they have a change of routine this week. Fill them with consideration for those with whom they spend time. Establish right relationships. We pray for families where there is happiness and for those coping with difficulties. May your Spirit enfold them in your love and peace. Show us as a community how to serve that we may all grow in grace and love. Be with people and places of particular need. May none feel alone - for the world we live in is God's world. Amen.