

Welcome to  
**CAVERSHAM HEIGHTS  
METHODIST CHURCH**  
Sunday January 7<sup>th</sup> 2018



**9.00am Holy Communion led by Revd David Jenkins**

Vestry Steward: Lesley Turner

**10.30am Morning Worship led by Revd Dr James Mather**

Organist: Peter Bernard

Vestry Stewards: Ian and Christine Pollard

**Tea & Coffee will be served at the back of the church after worship**

In the beginning when God created the heavens & the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said "Let there be light"; and there was light.  
*Genesis ! V 1 - 3*

Our flowers today are provided by Joan St.Clair and arranged by Lesley Turner

Pray for our preachers today: Jenny Dowding at Gosbrook Road, David Jenkins at Emmanuel and David Munns at Tadley Main Road.

**Sunday January 14<sup>th</sup>** *Welcome/Door stewards; Mary Neale, Gwen Foster and Frank Neale*  
*Coffee: Linda Dudley, Margaret Mynett and Myrie Hinks*  
*Counters: David and Sheryl Quint*  
*AV; Ian and Alida Dove; Ken and Barbara Macrae*  
*Readers; Pam Steward and Jean Graham*  
***If you cannot make your date on the rotas please arrange your own swap and let the rota organiser & notices stewards know:***  
*For Coffee and Counting; Christine Pollard*  
*For Welcome & Door; Viv Emerson*  
*For Readers; Lesley Turner*  
*For notices; Margaret Ellison and Jan Talbot*

**Sunday January 14th**  
**10.30am Covenant Service**  
**Led by Revd Jenny Dowding**  
  
**6.30pm Evening Worship**  
**Led by Revd David Jenkins**

**About the service:**

- Please put your envelopes or any money for the offertory into the green bags in the bowls near each door **before** the service
- Hymn books, Bibles, Worship Books are available in the vestibule.
- We have a loop system for Hearing Aid users - please switch to "T"
- Any children are welcome to go out to Sunday Starters during the service. Toys/activities for children are also available in the vestibule

**Our Ministerial Team and contacts:**

**Minister** - Rev'd Jenny Dowding, 0118 947 2223 (Day off Friday)  
minister@cavhmc.org.uk

**Minister** - Rev'd Dr John Ogden john.ogden4@btopenworld.com

**Minister** - Rev'd David Jenkins 0118 327 1592 davidjenkins@clara.co.uk

**Church Bookings** - 0118 947 0040 bookings@cavhmc.org.uk

**Treasurer** - Peter Boardley phboardley@btinternet.com

Contact notices@cavhmc.org.uk if you would like notices via email.  
If you would like an item included in next week's notices please send by **Monday** or put a note in the senior steward's pigeonhole today.

### What's on this week

#### **Monday January 8<sup>th</sup>**

10.30am Morning Coffee in the church,  
followed by Stay Awhile lunch

#### **Wednesday January 10<sup>th</sup>**

8.00pm Worship and Study Group meet at the  
Macrae's home.

#### **Thursday January 11<sup>th</sup>**

2.30pm Thursday Fellowship

Topic "Islands of Antiquity"

Speaker - Colin Ferguson

8.00pm The Thursday Group meet at the home of  
Judith Higgs

### Forthcoming Events

**Fencing in God's People – worship, prayer and workshops** exploring life for people in the Holy Land – a Kairos Reading event. **Sunday January 21st, 7pm** at Emmanuel Church, South Lake Crescent, Woodley RG5 3QW (Flyer on the notice board)

**Caversham Churches Together United service** for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity **Thursday 25 January** at 7.30pm at St Peter's – details to follow next week.

#### **Mission-shaped Intro – a circuit course for every church**

This year the circuit has challenged every church to develop either a 5-year plan for growth, or an 'end-of-life' plan. Each church that is planning for the future, and wants to take advantage of the circuit funding available for mission, is invited to send people on this course. It will be offered in 5 locations around the circuit. The Caversham one takes place at Caversham Heights on the following Thursday afternoons: February 8, 15, 22, March 1 and 8. Church stewards and church council members are asked to give priority to attending the course, but others are also welcome. If you can't manage Thursday afternoons, it will be available at other times in other venues.

#### **Olive picking trip to the Holy Land**

Would you like to visit the Holy Land, learn about life there today, and provide practical support to local farmers by helping with olive picking?  
Group going from Reading in October – more details from Jenny and flyer on the notice board.

### Our prayers are asked for:

Members of our congregation who are unwell.  
Tom Chadwick, now in Abbeystret, Ted Smith in Oakwood and Vera Young in the Stroke Unit at RBH.

The family of Jim Pilgrim, following his death.  
Mary Richings and Marguerite on their loss following Derek's death.

For the people of Iran and Iraq suffering from the earthquake this week and all people still coping with the aftermath of hurricanes and floods.  
The homeless and disadvantaged in our own country.

### The 2018 Flower Rota

The flower rota is now available in the vestibule.  
The provider and arranger are both on the list.  
Please note that payments should be made directly to the person arranging the flowers NOT to Linda Dudley

### A Big Thank You

From Brenda Caborn on behalf of the Nativity Live Organising Group:

Thank you for all who helped in any way, acting, marshalling, catering, sending cakes, moving furniture or just attending. It was another successful event and we are very grateful for your support.

### Safeguarding Training

**Foundation Courses** For those new in roles  
**Monday January 15<sup>th</sup> 2018** St. Andrew's Basingstoke at 2.00pm  
To book places, please contact Jan Talbot

### District and Circuit notices

"Memories Service," at Emmanuel Methodist Church on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm. Please see the poster for details.

*Some of you will be aware that the Rev'd Audrey Browne came to visit some of our churches and meet some of our people in Basingstoke on Tuesday. We are delighted to tell you that we have invited her to serve God in our Circuit for five years from 1st September 2018 and Audrey has accepted our invitation. She will be based in the Basingstoke end of the circuit, where there is currently a vacancy since Rev. Jayne*