



Lent Rise Matters – the info sheet for Lent Rise Methodist Church



Sunday Services:

Every Sunday 10:30am

Third Sunday Holy Communion 10:30am Rev Vicci Davidson

First Sunday Evening Worship 6:30pm Rev Vicci Davidson

Wednesday Morning:

Last Wednesday each month 11:00am Rev'd Vicci Davidson –
A short service for our community

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Services in the coming weeks:

Sunday 12th July 10:30am Joe Bullen

Sunday 19th July 10:30am Rev'd Vicci Davidson – Holy Communion

Prayer Cards

If you would like to ask for prayer for a specific person or event, please complete a prayer card, to be found on the table at the entrance to the Church.

Please hold in your prayers: Marilyn, David and Lizzie, Jo and Andrew, Pat, Julia, Sheila, Stefan, The Toffa family, Ed, Hannah, Eleni, the Tindall family, David Chant, Kim, Joyce, Alan and the family, Rebecca.



If you are new here today and would like to keep in touch please look out for one of our yellow Welcome Cards, enter your details and hand the card to a Steward.

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This week in Burnham Methodist Church:

Monday Club for Senior Citizen's from Burnham Community Association.

Wednesday The Meeting Place from The Well@Lent Rise from 9:30am – 12midday. A place for all ages to come and simply be, with coffee or tea, cake and a special warm welcome.

Thursday CAMEO lunch club for Senior Citizen's from 12:00midday. For more information or to book please speak to Jo Webb.

Friday 10:00am Bible Study led by Rev'd Vicci next meeting will be Friday 17th July.

Friday 10-30 finishing by 2 pm, The Well@Lent Rise Light lunch club. hosted by Kim (07469879199 for further details).

Geese is the Circuit youth group for discussion over food. This is a free activity for anyone in the circuit aged 10 - 18 and is led by Vicci and Sophie at Windsor Methodist Church from 6 - 7:30 pm on alternate Fridays.

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Dates for your diary

Sunday 19th September 2:00pm – 4:00pm The Well@Lent Rise invite us to a Vintage Tea party. Please dress in red, white and blue. Tickets are £5:00 from Kim 07469

879199...or just turn up. There's homemade scones, strawberry jam and Cornish clotted cream, with entertainment provided by Tony.

27th – 31st July Lighthouse Burnham, Phoenix Rugby Club

Friday 2nd October 6:00pm here: Quiz and Curry night in aid of The Leprosy Mission. For those who don't like curry alternatives will be available.

Thought for the week

Friends

Malala Day is observed annually on July 12th, Malala Yousafzai's birthday. The date gained international recognition after Malala delivered an historic speech at the United Nations on her 16th birthday in 2013, just months after surviving an attack that nearly took her life – an attack made entirely because she was daring to go to school in a place where it had been declared that girls should not be allowed an education. In that powerful address she declared, "One child, one teacher, one book, one pen can change the world." Since then, the United Nations has declared July 12th to be a global day of recognition of the right to education.

The 12th of July is also International Day of Hope, which sits very happily alongside the Malala story.

For us, these thoughts may bring 1 Corinthians 13:13 to mind: "And now these three remain, faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love." The United Nations website tells us that "the declaration of the International Day of Hope is more than symbolic – it is a global invitation to act. It calls on Member States, regional and international bodies, civil society and individuals to cultivate environments where hope can thrive." The International Day of Hope website tells us that "Hope is measurable and teachable; it helps protect against depression, addiction and violence; it builds resilience, wellbeing and positive change. Hope is a public health priority."

I would argue that we could replace the word "hope" in the above with faith or love and still make complete sense. We need hope to get us through the difficult days, but also because hope is about having something to look forward to, and that makes even the good days better. We need love, the biblical understanding of love which is a determination to be loving come what may; and goodness knows, we need faith which is after all at its root a form of hope as the confident, patient expectation of God's promises for things that are not yet seen. As Hebrews 11:1 says, "Faith is the confidence of what we hope for and the assurance of things not yet seen." May you have a loving, faith-filled and hopeful week.

God bless, Vicci

Prayers and Prayer Pointers For This Week

Monday 13th July - On this day in 1985, the Live Aid Concert took place in several cities around the world. Whilst well intentioned, and a source of a great deal of money being raised for good causes, time and reflection has demonstrated that there are better, less problematic ways of talking about Africa, poverty and social justice.

- Today, you might like to pray for all involved in humanitarian aid and tackling poverty around the world. May they find a way to do so that does not cause damage or repeat narratives of racism and white supremacy.

Tuesday 14th July - Today is International Non-Binary People's Day. Today, let your prayers be for inclusion, justice and rights for all people, especially those who are prejudiced again because of their gender or current gender alignment.

Wednesday 15th July - Notice your words today. - Are they kind? Are they necessary? Are they true? - God of gentle speech, help my words to heal more than they harm. Amen.

Thursday 16th July - Pray today for those who feel lonely.- You might like to think of someone who lives alone, is recently bereaved, or feels disconnected. - If appropriate, consider reaching out to them.

Friday 17th July - On this day in 1936, the Spanish Civil War broke out, with an armed rebellion against the newly elected Popular Front (a left-wing political party). - Today, there are four major civil wars going on (in Syria, Myanmar, Sudan, Ethiopia), with over 30 other significant internal armed conflicts around the world. You might like to pray for those involved, and for all who have the means and the opportunity to work for peace.

Saturday 18th July- Today, pray for creation and for your own relationship with the natural world. - You might take a short walk, look out of a window, or touch a plant and give thanks. - Creator God, make me a better guardian of your earth. Amen.

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Burnham Care and Share



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Donation Sites

1. Burnham Park Hall Reception
SL1 7HR
9-5pm Mon to Fri
2. Cornerstone St Peter's Church
Church Street
SL1 7HX
9.30am-12pm Mon to Fri
3. Bluebird Care Offices
Summers Road
SL1 7EP
9-5pm Mon to Fri

The top 5 items we need this week!

1. Teabags
2. Tinned Peas
3. Tinned meat
4. Noodles
5. Biscuits

www.careandshare.charity



4. The Old Five Bells Pub, Church Street, during opening hours.

We would be very grateful to receive any of these items.
Thank you for your support!

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