

Services



July 2018

1st	10:30 am	Rev Sharon Gardner (Holy Communion)
8th	10:30 am	Rev Jackie Case
	6:30 pm	Ecumenical Service TBC
15th	10:30 am	Maggie Garton
	6.30 pm	Film Night—note now 3rd Sunday
22nd	10:30 am	Rev Sharon Gardner (All Age Worship and Gift Day)
	6:00 pm	Café Worship at High Cross—every 4th Sunday
29th	10:30 am	Rev Roy Smith

For (nearly) up to the minute news, visit our new website:
www.sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk

If you're on Facebook—then 'like' our Facebook pages—
and join in the conversation -
Sandhurst and Yateley Methodist Church
And **Babes and Tots—Sandhurst**

And if you tweet, we're there too:
@SandYmethChurch

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Sandhurst and Yateley Methodist Church Newsletter July 2018



The Minister writes...

Dear friends,

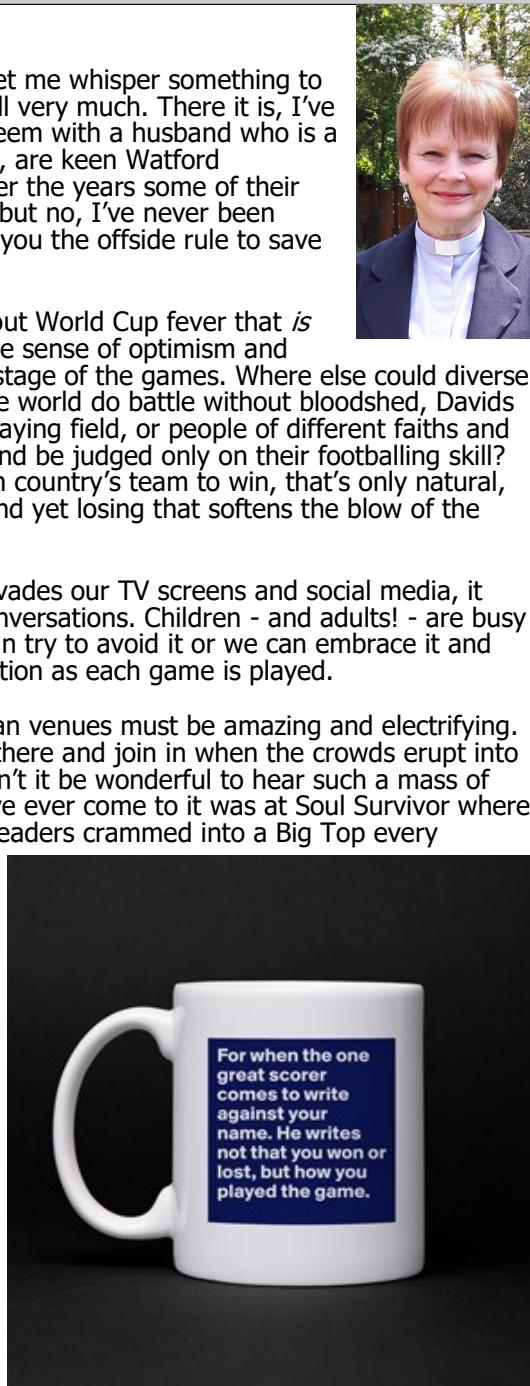
Shhhh.....come closer.....let me whisper something to you.....I don't actually like football very much. There it is, I've confessed! Unlikely though it may seem with a husband who is a referee and two sons who, with him, are keen Watford supporters, you would think that over the years some of their enthusiasm would have rubbed off, but no, I've never been bitten by the bug and I couldn't tell you the offside rule to save my life!

Nevertheless, there's something about World Cup fever that *is* catching. It's hard not to share in the sense of optimism and hope that is buzzing around at this stage of the games. Where else could diverse countries from opposite sides of the world do battle without bloodshed, Davids and Goliaths compete on an even playing field, or people of different faiths and ethnicities play for the same team and be judged only on their footballing skill? Of course supporters want their own country's team to win, that's only natural, but there's a grace in playing well and yet losing that softens the blow of the defeat.

The excitement of the World Cup invades our TV screens and social media, it pervades our schools, shops and conversations. Children - and adults! - are busy collecting World Cup stickers. We can try to avoid it or we can embrace it and join in the celebration or commiseration as each game is played.

I think the atmosphere at the Russian venues must be amazing and electrifying. It would blow a person away to be there and join in when the crowds erupt into singing. I can't help thinking: wouldn't it be wonderful to hear such a mass of voices praising God? The nearest I've ever come to it was at Soul Survivor where over 9,000 young people and their leaders crammed into a Big Top every evening and sung their hearts out. A goose-bumps moment for sure. Yet 9,000 pales into insignificance compared with the numbers that attend World Cup matches, with the 1950 final between Brazil and Uruguay still holding the record for the highest attendance ever at nearly 200,000.

Imagine if all those people gathered, not to watch their football heroes but in love and adoration of the greatest hero of all time: Jesus Christ.... Well, the Bible promises us that such a day will come when '*at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, in heaven and on earth and under the*



July 2018 Rotas

Flowers

- 1st Hilary and Phil Tattershall
8th Ruth Braithwaite
15th -
22nd Mary Grossman
29th Matt and Helen Rowell

Funtime Worship

Funtime Worship is available during term time. If children are present then there will be someone to provide FTW.

Welcome

- 1st Sue Truby
8th Audrey Gamlin
15th Margaret Picken
22nd Barbara Rush
29th Dennis Richards

Coffee

- Margaret Picken and Cynthia Robinson
Audrey Gamlin and Eunice Feeney
Phil and Hilary Tattershall
Brenda Kegal and Ann Harper
Joan Taylor and Sandra Wooldridge

Lifts to Church on Sunday morning

If you require a lift to church and you live in Sandhurst or Yateley, please ring through the listed names. They are happy to give lifts if they are available. Please alternate between the names if using the service regularly.

Yateley

- Pam Hardy 01252 870468
Tricia Needes 01252 658350

Sandhurst

- Graham Fradgley 01276 36631
Barbara Rush 01252 876051
Douglas Brown 01252 655419

Praise and Prayer



An afternoon of singing, prayer and fellowship starting at 14:30 pm.

All are welcome—
old and young, ladies and gentlemen.

Refreshments are served
following the short meeting.

Do come along on 10th July
then 14th August.

Details from Frankie on 01344 772485 or fhiron137@btinternet.com
Please come and join us, you will be very welcome.



Spiritual Development Group



The spiritual development group organise:

Regular Prayer meetings and evening Bible Study, every Tuesday evening

Tuesday Praise and Prayer (2nd Tuesday)
Rejoice! (4th Tuesday)
Daytime Bible Study (1st and 3rd Tuesday)

Please join us—or speak to Keg, Frankie or Sue for more details.

July

3rd	2:00 pm 7:30 pm 8:00 pm	Bible Study Prayer Group Bible Study	Schoolroom
10th	2:30 pm 2:30 pm 8:00 pm	Praise and Prayer Prayer Group Bible Study	Schoolroom
17th	2:00 pm 7:30 pm 8:00 pm	Bible Study Prayer Group Bible Study	Schoolroom
24th	2:00 pm 7:30 pm 8:00 pm	Rejoice! Prayer Group Bible Study	Schoolroom
31st	7:30 pm 8:00 pm	Prayer Group Bible Study	Schoolroom

earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.' (Philip. 2: 10) On that day surely we will taste heaven and everyone will be a winner.

With every blessing,
Sharon

What's on?

June

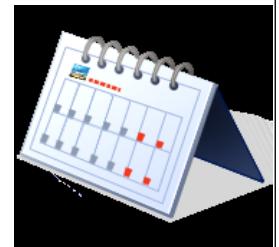
26th: Rejoice!
28th: Organ recital, Summer Love

July

4th: Wednesday Housegroup
7th: Open garden, Yateley Choral Society
10th: Praise and Prayer
12th: Organ recital, Coffee Morning, Thursday Housegroup
14th: Messy Church
14th-16th: Flower Festival
15th: Club 15, Film Night
22nd: Gift Day and Bring and Share Lunch
24th: Rejoice!
26th: Organ recital

August

9th: Organ recital
15th: Club 15
23rd: Organ recital



You are warmly invited to:

Tom and Chris Barker are opening their beautiful garden on **Saturday July 7th** in aid of Bracknell Methodist Church Charity of the Year, Pilgrim Hearts.

As well as viewing the garden the entrance fee of £5 includes free tea/coffee, a slice of delicious homemade cake, a plant stall and a cake stall.

The garden at 89a, Ellis Road, Crowthorne RG45 6PJ is open from 2pm to 5pm.



Film night—upcoming ...

We have moved film night so that it doesn't clash with the café style worship at High Cross. Please join us for a film, fellowship and a pizza (we order in).

Next ones are **'Groundhog Day'** on **Sunday 15th July**

Then **19th August- 'A Beautiful Mind'**
and **16th September—'The Greatest Showman'**

Crowthorne Foodbank



Current shortages -

Tinned tomatoes, tinned vegetables and Potatoes, Custard, Rice Puddings and LongLife Milk.

Thank you so much for your ongoing support

Coffee mornings

Coffee Mornings every **second Thursday** in the month

We have started a monthly Coffee Morning at church for members and visitors. The first one was held in January and we had a dozen people attend. It was a lovely opportunity to catch up over coffee and cakes.

Do put the dates in your diary and pop along if you are free between 10:30 and 12 midday.

Next date **Thursday 12th July**.

Heather

Gift Day and Bring and Share Lunch



There will be a Gift Day and Bring and Share Lunch on **Sunday 22nd July** following the morning service.



Club 15 July—Picnic at Highcliffe with Diana

Sunday 15th July, I am hosting a picnic at Highcliffe. Spectacular views across the sea to the picturesque Isle of Wight (am I selling it to you?).

For those of you who might like an early start, I am preaching in the morning at Milford on Sea SO41 0QE at their 10.45 service. If you are looking for a more leisurely start then 1pm at 5 Edwards Court, Wortley Road, Highcliffe BH23 5DR.

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Sandra Wooledge	01344 775177	
Heather Brown	01252 655419	
Matt Rowell	01344 775744	

House Fellowship groups providing a friendly platform for discussion ...

Thursday House Group:

Robert Godden, 11 Scotland Hill, Sandhurst.
01252 872503

Thursday July 12th



Wednesday House Group:

Diana Middleditch—hosted at Alison and Graham Fradgley's for a while
Forbes Chase, Sandhurst

Wednesday 4th July

Newsletter and Website

newsletter@sandhurstateleymethodist.org.uk

Contributions for the **August/September** Newsletter (in church on Sunday 29th July) or website should be with Sue Truby by **Thursday July 19th**

Contributions should either be:

Handed to Sue at Church,

Emailed to: newsletter@sandhurstateleymethodist.org.uk

Or posted to 58 Crowthorne Road, Sandhurst GU47 9EP (01252 879236)

Newsletter and website

Thanks very much to all those people who send in articles and reports and news unsolicited. You make my job much easier!

But please, if you are about to put a poster up in the foyer or noticeboards—pass it to me first.

If you've been to some event—please tell me about it afterwards.

If you're aware of a change of date or venue—let me know as soon as you can.

The newsletter is (usually) in church on the last Sunday of the month for the following month. In order to do that, I have to send it to the printer the previous Sunday, and since it takes me several days to put it together, copy date is usually the middle of the week before that. I always put the next issue's copy date in the newsletter (see the bottom of the next page) and Barbara puts it in the notices, so you will always know when I need things, although with plenty of notice and by prior arrangement, I can usually still accept things between the copy date and the Sunday evening.

The more notice people have of upcoming events, the better!

Thanks. Sue

Messy Church

Messy Church happens on the 3rd Saturday each month.

The next date is **Saturday 21st July** Please do encourage friends or relatives with small children to come along and have some fun.

Babes and Tots

Wednesday mornings 10:30 to 12:00,



If you know of anyone in the community with a young baby or child, please invite them to attend.

Small friendly group, all welcome,
mums, dads, grandparents.

Facebook page: Babes and Tots—Sandhurst.

Prayer Group and Bible Study

1st and 3rd Tuesday at 2pm—daytime Bible Study

Every Tuesday at 7:30—Prayer Group—followed by, from 8-9, evening Bible Study.

Please bring your own picnic and chairs.

Please let me know if you are coming and also if you are coming to the service.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Diana.

07721611700 or diana@polygonum.co.uk



Club 15 report—June



Sue Brooks, Neil, Amy & Olivia Fradgley and Graham & Alison Fradgley were the only takers of the combined Club 15 and Wednesday House Group to visit our old friends Jack and Ann Delbridge at their home in Worthing for a BBQ.

Leaving after church on 10th June we joined Diana Middleditch, Christine Jenkins and relatives of Jack & Ann in glorious weather for a delightful afternoon, good company and delicious food courtesy of chef Jack.

Graham



Summer Organ Recitals - 2018



High Cross Church
Knoll Road, Camberley, Surrey, GU15 3SY
Tel: 01276 66798

During the months of June, July and August, High Cross will be hosting its 10th series of lunch time organ recitals in the Sanctuary on the 2nd and 4th Thursday's of each month from 12.45 until 1.30 pm as follows:

Thursday 14 th June	Geoff Tuson	Garrison Church Aldershot
Thursday 28 th June	David Markby	High Cross
Thursday 12 th July	Andrew Bayley	St Michaels Church Aldershot
Thursday 26 th July	Nikita Chekshin	(Merton College, University of Oxford)
Thursday 9 th August	John Wood	High Cross
Thursday 23 rd August	Gillian Lloyd	Guildford URC

There is no charge for admission, but a retiring collection will be taken in aid of the High Cross Organ Student Fund and church charities.

For more organ recitals see www.organrecitals.com

Local Arrangement 10th June

10th June 2018 saw our Local Arrangement. It was Methodist Homes Association Sunday and as they are celebrating their 75th anniversary this year, we thought it would be a great way of recognising the wonderful work of this organisation.

MHA was founded in 1943 by a group of Methodists who wanted to improve the quality of life of older people in the time before the creation of the Welfare State. MHA was founded by the Methodist Church as an independent charity to provide care, support and accommodation for older people in need.

MHA now runs 90 care homes, 72 retirement living schemes and 61 Live at Home schemes, supporting more than 18,000 older people across England, Scotland and Wales, employing 7,000 staff and enjoying the support of over 5,500 volunteers.

It continues to invest in services for older people, as evidenced by its newest care home – Montpellier Manor near Middlesbrough which opened its doors to its first residents in March 2018.

Now that calls for a celebration!

As part of its celebrations, MHA is holding a Service of Thanksgiving at Derby Cathedral on **Saturday 13th October**, starting at 3pm.

We also took a retiring collection after the service for MHA and will do again next week.

Matt, Helen and Ben performed a puppet sketch with our old favourite puppet, Grandpa. Grandpa told us of all the things we take for granted now but that were not around when he was a boy. It was so funny and made us all laugh, especially when his granddaughter's mobile phone rang during the service! Colin gave an informative talk on the ages of man which was both interesting and humorous. Gil did the Bible reading and Heather our prayers of intercession. Douglas prayed over the offertory and Wendy gave the closing blessing.

Sue hosted the 'Generation Game'. It was hilarious. There were two teams comprising of Julia and Heather on one team and Ben and Matt on the other. The task was to ice and decorate fairy cakes. The real unintended challenge on the day, being on how to operate the nozzle on the icing!! Both teams rose to the challenge and although the congregation had to judge which were the best decorated cakes – we were stumped to make a choice – so both teams drew. We enjoyed the cakes during refreshments and so we were all winners.

Keg spoke of how God used older men and women from the Bible, people who were in their golden years but listened and acted on His word, having to trust in Him and in His strength to perform the tasks that were given to them, but also having the wisdom of years and depth of spiritual insight to not act impetuously. People such as Abram, Moses, Eli, Simeon and Anna still working and dedicating their lives to working in His service at their great ages but all being mightily blessed for their faithfulness. This is a real encouragement to us today. Our lives are not over when maybe our culture sees us as old and past it, we can still dedicate ourselves to His service, and God sees us as precious in older age as He did in our youth.

Keg

Here is a rather nice quote from Billy Graham who died this year aged 99 years having served God all his life, into advanced old age:-

Scripture is filled with examples of men and women whom God used late in life, often with great impact - men and women who refused to use old age as an excuse to ignore what God wanted them to do.

Billy Graham



Musical Director: Quintin Beer

Swingin' 50s & 60s

with
**Stuart
McSweeney**
on piano

Saturday 7th July 2018
St Peter's Church, Yateley, 7.45pm

Tickets £12

Students £5, under 16s free

Available on the door, from 01276 682749
or from Discoveries at St Peter's Church,
and Yateley Town Council Offices

Complimentary
glass of wine

Registered Charity: 295665



www.yateley-choral.org.uk



St Michael's Church Sandhurst
Winspire Appeal presents

SUMMER LOVE

A floral demonstration by National Demonstrator

ANNETTE URQUHART

Thursday 28th June at 7.45
(doors open at 7.15)

At St Michael's Pastoral Centre
Lower Church Road, Sandhurst, GU47 8HN

Complimentary glass of wine, Flower Raffle and sales table

Tickets £12 available from:

Jennie Hulbert – 01344 775881 Ann Harris – 01252 871881
Gill Robertson – 01252 873926 or Pastoral Centre Office – 01252 873030

All proceeds towards the restoration of the Stained Glass Windows and Church Spire





CROWTHORNE CARNIVAL 2018

FLOWER FESTIVAL

'Horrible History'



In aid of 'debra'



Saturday 14th July

10am to 6pm

Sunday 15th July

12noon to 6pm

Songs of Praise 6.30pm

Monday 16th July

10am to 4pm

Throughout the weekend (not Monday) there will be live musical interludes,

'Crowthorne Crafts' Patchwork/quilting display and demonstrations by

North Downs Lacemakers and Wokingham Embroiderers' Guild

REFRESHMENTS AND LIGHT LUNCHES

St John's Parish Church

Waterloo Road, Crowthorne, RG45 7NT

www.facebook.com/crowthorneflowerfestival



Praise and Prayer—June

Praise

interesting stories to tell and showed how their faith sustained them.

We were missing Diane Knight but luckily for us Joan and Sandra stepped in and refreshments were served. Do come and join us at the next meeting on 10th July.

Gil

Club 15: August—walk



For the Club 15 event in August I shall be leading a walk on **Wednesday 15th August** from near Finchampstead to the Tally Ho pub in Eversley.

Those who came on last year's walk, and wondered where our footpath continued to, will be able to find out for themselves this time. The outbound leg of the walk will be around 2km undertaken in daylight passing through pleasant countryside before reaching the pub, and those who wish to may terminate their walk here. Later that evening, some may like to join me retracing our steps to the start point, when we might experience some of the sights and sounds of the countryside at night.

If you are interested, please contact me for further details, letting me know if you intend to do the full walk or the short version so that I can organise car parking etc.

Robert Godden

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