

# Services



## April 2019

<b>7th</b>	10:30 am	Rev Sharon Gardner (Holy Communion)
<b>14th (Palm Sunday)</b>	10:30 am	Local Arrangement
<b>19th (Good Friday)</b>	<b>11:30 am</b>	Rosie Morgan-Barry
<b>21st (Easter Day)</b>	10:30 am	Rosie Morgan-Barry
<b>28th</b>	10:30 am	Rev Jackie Case
	6:30 pm	Film night (note change of date)
	6:00 pm	Café Worship at High Cross—every 4th Sunday

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[www.sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk](http://www.sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk)

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**Sandhurst and Yateley Methodist Church**  
And **Babes and Tots—Sandhurst**

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**@SandYMethChurch**

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*Sandhurst and Yateley  
Methodist Church  
Newsletter  
April 2019*

## The Minister writes...

*See what a morning, gloriously bright  
with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem;  
folded the grave clothes,  
tomb filled with light,  
as the angels announce Christ is risen!  
See God's salvation plan, wrought in  
love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice,  
fulfilled in Christ the man, for he lives:  
Christ is risen from the dead!*

Dear friends,

Those words are the opening verse of Stuart Townend's *Resurrection Song* (the words in the image come from its second verse). It's a hymn which rejoices in the Easter message: the triumph of light over darkness, of good over evil, of love over hatred, of life over death. Townend is a modern hymn-writer who has composed some great tunes with some brilliant lyrics. Others of his you might know are *The Lord's my Shepherd*, (*Trust in you*), *In Christ alone* and *How deep the Father's love*. His *Resurrection Song* is certainly **one** of my favourite Easter hymns. What are yours?

Hymns and songs, both traditional and modern, mark out that last week of Jesus' life. We shout our hosannas on Palm Sunday and sing *Ride on, ride on in majesty*, and then celebrate Easter with the exultant *Christ the Lord is risen today!* Were it not for such heart-wrenchingly beautiful hymns like *When I survey the wondrous cross* and *There is a green hill far away*, we could be in danger of going from one joyous Sunday to the next with no stopping at the Cross on Good Friday to consider the cost of Christ's sacrifice.

Yet no hymn-writer or poet can do justice to what Jesus endured. Many have written movingly about the crucifixion, but no one could truly appreciate the horror of it unless they were present. What he felt in the midst of that quagmire of brutality, violence and pain we can't even begin to imagine, but the echo of the loneliest words ever spoken ring out down the centuries: 'My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?' Oh, whose heart was breaking the most – Jesus at being abandoned by his Father in his hour of greatest need, or the Father as looked on his beloved Son and for the sake of all humanity held back his legions of angels and did nothing?

'*The wonder of your cross shall be our meditation*' is a song by Robin Mark. In its last verse it imagines what it might have been like in Heaven as that dreadful Friday turned at last to Easter morning:  
*Were Heaven's praises silent in those hours of darkness?  
Your Holy Spirit brooding round the empty throne?  
Until the declaration 'He is risen!'  
You are risen, Jesus!  
He is not dead, behold he lives forever more!*



## April 2019 Rotas

### Flowers

7th Diane Knight  
14th Audrey Gamlin  
21st Sue Truby  
28th Karen Glossop

### Funtime Worship

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

### Cleaning

w/c 8/4 Sandra Fogwill and Mary Adams  
w/c 29/4 Alison Fradgley and Eunice Feeney

### Welcome

7th Mick Malone  
14th Frankie Hiron  
21st Sue Truby  
28th Barbara Rush

### Coffee

Heather Brown and Barbara Rush  
Joan Taylor and Sandra Woolegde  
Diane Knight and Sandra Fogwill  
Alison Bone and Julia Spencer-Jones

## 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.

**Please do take advantage of this service—people really do want to help.**

### Yateley

Pam Hardy 01252 870468  
Tricia Needes 01252 658350

### Sandhurst

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

## 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.

### April

2nd 2:00 pm	Bible Study	Schoolroom
7:30 pm	Prayer Group	
8:00 pm	Bible Study	
9th 2:30 pm	Praise and Prayer	Schoolroom
7:30 pm	Prayer Group	
8:00 pm	Bible Study	
16th 2:00 pm	Bible Study	Schoolroom
7:30 pm	Prayer Group	
8:00 pm	Bible Study	
23rd 2:30 pm	Praise and Prayer	Schoolroom
7:30 pm	Prayer Group	
8:00 pm	Bible Study	
30th 7:30pm	Prayer Group	Schoolroom

## 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.

## 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 9th April**

Details from Sharon on [minister@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk](mailto:minister@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk)  
Please come and join us, you will be very welcome.

I find that such a powerful image: all of Heaven waiting in silence; misery on earth reflected above... until...until.....that wonderful moment when death's hold on him was broken and Love burst from the tomb. Do angels cheer like we do? I think they might have done then!

This Eastertide may the wonder of the Cross be *your* meditation. As you gaze upon it in church during these coming Sundays, may you remember the gift of God's love so dearly bought yet so freely given, and, as Easter Sunday dawns, may your alleluias ring out with those of the angels.

With every blessing, this Easter and always,

Sharon



## What's on?

### March

30th: Easter Fayre

### April

6th: Lent Lunch

9th: Praise and Prayer

14th: Palm Sunday— All age worship/LA

15th: Club 15

18th: Maundy Supper at Crowthorne Methodist Church

19th: Good Friday service, Witness by SCT at The Meadows

23rd: Rejoice!

28th: Film Night—note change of date to avoid Easter Day

### May

5th: Annual Church Meeting

12th: Christian Aid service

18th: Christian Aid Quiz

19th: Leprosy Mission Service, District Testimony Service (Woking) for Sharon, start of Flower Festival week.

### June

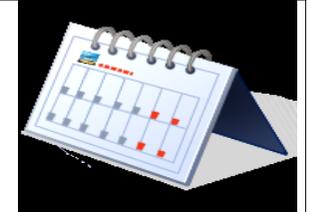
9th: Ecumenical service here

30th: Sharon's Ordination service at Wolverhampton

### July

7th: Bring'n'share lunch (special birthdays for Sharon, Sandra F and Keg)

28th: Jackie's Farewell Service



## 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 one is (Note change of date)



**April 28th "Pierpoint: The Last Hangman" (2005)**

## Crowthorne Foodbank



Current shortages -

Washing tablets, razors, liquid soap and ladies deodorants.

Thank you so much for your ongoing support

From December 2012(original opening date) to November 2018 the Food Bank provided for 54,620 meals.  
Of which November 2018 = 1,116 meals.

This was to feed 6,180 people, of which 3,295 were adults and 2,885 were children.

As a church we have helped to provide for these people by our regular contributions to the Food Bank box. From there I deliver the goods to their base near Crowthorne Station.

With grateful thanks to all who have contributed to this ongoing and essential cause, to help the needy in Sandhurst and Crowthorne. Please continue the good work, as numbers seem to have grown over time.

## March Club 15

Select (8) members of Club 15 attended the excellent production of Gaslight by Patrick Hamilton at the Mill at Sonning. The play was preceded by an excellent two course meal which was enjoyed by the Club 15 party.

## 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 date in your diary and pop along if you are free between 10:30 and 12 midday.  
Next date **11th April**  
Heather

## Easter services

**14th April—Palm Sunday.** We will have all age worship with a Local Arrangement  
**18th April—Maundy Supper.** Crowthorne Methodist have invited us to join them for their Maundy Supper and service at 7pm. A list will be available nearer the date for you to put your names down.  
**19th April—Good Friday.** There will be a Good Friday Witness by SCT at The Meadows from 11:30 to 3pm. We will need folk to help on the stall after our morning service. The Silver Band will play for one hour and then we have giveaways and readings. Please consider giving an hour of your time.

## Minister

**Rev Sharon Gardner**

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01344 774967

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Margaret Picken  
pastoral@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk

## Church Stewards—steward@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk

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

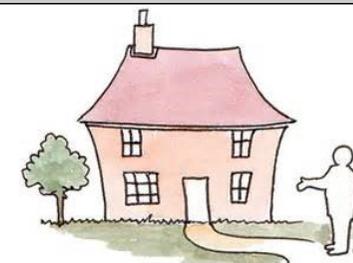
## House Fellowship groups providing a friendly platform for discussion ...

### Thursday House Group:

Robert Godden, 11 Scotland Hill, Sandhurst.  
01252 872503  
**Thursday 11th April**

### Wednesday House Group:

Diana Middleditch  
—hosted at Alison and Graham Fradgley's  
Forbes Chase, Sandhurst  
**Wednesday 3rd April**



## Newsletter and Website

newsletter@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk

Contributions for the **May** Newsletter (in church on Sunday 28th April) or website should be with Sue Truby by **Wednesday April 18th**

Contributions should either be:  
Handed to Sue at Church,  
Emailed to: newsletter@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk  
Or posted to 58 Crowthorne Road, Sandhurst GU47 9EP (01252 879236)

## Oberammergau Passion Play 2020

Rev Sharon is organising a trip to this (in conjunction with Tailored Travel) - 7 days from £1369 departing **3rd September 2020** on behalf of the Berkshire Surrey Borders Circuit.

What is the Oberammergau Passion Play?

The History: In 1633, in the middle of the Thirty Years War, Bavaria was being swept by a plague epidemic and more than 80 lives had been lost in Oberammergau alone. The local elders vowed that if the village were purged of the plague, they would 'keep the Passion tragedy every 10 years'. The epidemic came to a standstill and in 1634 the villagers fulfilled their solemn promise for the first time. Ever since they have loyally kept their vow and in 2020 Oberammergau will, for the 42nd time, be staging the Passion Play telling the story of Christ's Passion, from his entry into Jerusalem and ending with the Resurrection and Ascension.



The Play: The Play is performed exclusively by amateur actors, who were either born in Oberammergau or have lived there for the past 20 years. In 2010, over 2,000 of the 5,300 or so inhabitants were involved either on stage or backstage. A special feature of the Oberammergau Passion Play is its living tableaux: colourful scenes from the Old Testament, which are woven into the story of the Passion in the form of still life pictures.

The Stage: The roofed auditorium has seats for nearly 4,500 spectators. The terraces rising towards the back of the auditorium ensure a good view from every seat of the open air stage, where the play is performed whatever the weather.

The Music: The music, with choral and prologue performances, was composed between 1811 and 1820 by Oberammergau's teacher and church musician Rochus Dedler. The music directors added their own compositions and some contemporary touches for the Passion Plays in 2000 and 2010. Please contact Sharon if you're interested, or see the leaflets in Church.

## Sandhurst Culture and Flower Festival

Sandhurst Town Council have just announced they will be holding a 'Sandhurst Culture and Flower Festival' with events from **19th - 25th May 2019**

Sandhurst Churches Together will be holding a flower festival at the Baptist Church from 10 - 3 pm on Saturday 25th May and also providing refreshments.

Please put this date in your diary - much more information to follow!

Many thanks

Keg

## Action for Children Collection Boxes

Now is the time of year when I empty your Action for Children Collection Boxes so could you please let me have them in the next few weeks. I can then count the money and bank it in the next month or so. If I am not around then please leave them at the back of the Church where I will collect them. Remember that every penny counts to help needy children everywhere so please give generously.

Alison Fradgley  
01276-36631  
alison@gfradgley.com

## Good Friday 19th April

Hi Everyone

This year Sandhurst Churches Together have obtained permission to have a stall at the Meadows on Good Friday. The Silver Band will be playing an assortment of traditional Easter Hymns and we shall have readings and prayers. This service will last an hour from 12.30 to 1.30 pm. We have the stall until 3 pm.

We shall have hand-outs for children and adults and maybe even hot cross buns (we are meeting up next week to discuss exact details).

However St George's church and St Michael's have afternoon services and so they are limited to really manning the stall for the first part of the day. The Catholic church are no longer part of Sandhurst Churches Together and Kerith are moving premises to Farnborough.

We do not have a service in the afternoon and are therefore asking for volunteers to do a half hour to an hour each on the stall.

We have been told that we are not allowed to approach anyone and so it would really be handing out gifts to those who approach our stall and, if you are able to, pray with folk at the prayer station, or just be a kind face and have a chat to those who come to the stall.

If you are able to help at all, please let me know. We really want to embrace this opportunity of outreach at a Holy Time of year to those in our community. Many thanks for your help.

Keg

## Lent Study: From Now On

It is not too late to join in with the Lent Group meeting on a Tuesday evening at 8pm.

*From Now On* is a new and original Lent course by Rachel Mann, a parish priest, writer, speaker and broadcaster. Taking the film *The Greatest Showman* as a starting point, the course explores ways in which the biblical themes of faith, hope and redemption run through all our lives. It examines how each of us – like P.T. Barnum and the members of his Circus – face and can overcome doubt, temptation and prejudice. It uses clips from the film and includes discussion ideas, reflections and prayers.

Although the sessions are linked through the film clips, each can be experienced as a stand-alone session.

We start at 8pm with refreshments (straight after the 7.30pm prayer group which you would be most welcome to join us at) and we are finished by 9.30pm at the latest.

For more information please phone or email Sharon: 01344 774967/  
[sharon.gardner@methodist.org.uk](mailto:sharon.gardner@methodist.org.uk)  
Or just come along and find out for yourselves!

## April Club 15

The next Club 15 meeting (Monday **April 15th**, 8pm) is a Take Away Evening at Graham & Alison's house.

Please let Graham or Alison know if you are going to be there, or not, and if you are what preferences you may have for Chinese or Indian food. We also need to know of anything particularly disliked in either choice.

Please let us know by Friday 12th April latest..

## Sharon's ordination service

Will be held at Wolverhampton on **Sunday 30th June**.

There will be a coach to take anyone who would like to go. More details later— just put the date in your diary.

## Messy Church/Family film club

Messy Church/Family film club usually happens on the 3rd Saturday each month.

**18th May is the next one (none in April) - 3.30 - 5 pm**

Please do encourage friends or relatives with small children to come along and have some fun.

## CELEBRATE EASTER in SANDHURST

### Sandhurst Churches Together Easter Church Services

#### Sandhurst Baptist Church - 01252 879088 – [www.sandhurstbaptists.org.uk](http://www.sandhurstbaptists.org.uk)

19<sup>th</sup> April Good Friday Service 10.30 am  
21<sup>st</sup> April Easter Sunday Service – Easter Celebration 10.30 am

#### Sandhurst & Yateley Methodist Church - 01344 7744967 – [www.sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk](http://www.sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk)

19<sup>th</sup> April Good Friday Service 11.30 am  
21<sup>st</sup> April Easter Sunday Morning AAW with Communion 10.30 am

#### St George's Church, Owlsmoor - 01344 771286 – [www.stgeorgeowlsmoor.org.uk](http://www.stgeorgeowlsmoor.org.uk)

14<sup>th</sup> April Palm Sunday Holy Communion 10.00 am  
18<sup>th</sup> April Maundy Thursday Last Supper 8.00 pm  
19<sup>th</sup> April Children's Good Friday workshop 10.30 am to noon  
19<sup>th</sup> April Veneration of the Cross & Holy Communion 2.00 pm  
19<sup>th</sup> April Tenebrae Service moving us from light to darkness 8.00 pm  
20<sup>th</sup> April Service of Light 8.00 pm  
21<sup>st</sup> April Easter All-age worship with Holy Communion 10.00 am

#### Church of the Immaculate Conception, Sandhurst - 01252 876820 – [www.crowsand.co.uk](http://www.crowsand.co.uk)

18<sup>th</sup> April Mass of the Lord's Supper 8.00 pm \*IC  
19<sup>th</sup> April Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 3.00 pm \*IC  
20<sup>th</sup> April Blessing of Easter Food (Świençonka)..... 5.30 pm \*IC  
20<sup>th</sup> April Easter Vigil of the Resurrection of the Lord 8.30 pm \*IC  
21<sup>st</sup> April Mass of the Resurrection 9.00 am \*IC  
21<sup>st</sup> April Mass of the Resurrection 11.00 am \*HG

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*HG – Holy Ghost Church Crowthorne,  
IC – Immaculate Conception, Sandhurst*

#### St Michael's Church 01252 873030 - [www.stmichaels-sandhurst.org.uk](http://www.stmichaels-sandhurst.org.uk)

14<sup>th</sup> April Palm Sunday Holy Communion (1662) 8.00 am  
14<sup>th</sup> April Procession and Parish Communion 9.30 am  
14<sup>th</sup> April Performance of Stainer's Crucifixion .. 6.30 pm  
19<sup>th</sup> April Good Friday First Light Service 6.00 am  
19<sup>th</sup> April Messy Church 9.30 am  
19<sup>th</sup> April Good Friday Family Service 11.15 am  
19<sup>th</sup> April Good Friday Passion Service 2.00 pm  
21<sup>st</sup> April Easter Sunday Holy Communion(1662) 8.00 am  
21<sup>st</sup> April Easter Sunday All Age Parish Communion 10.00 am



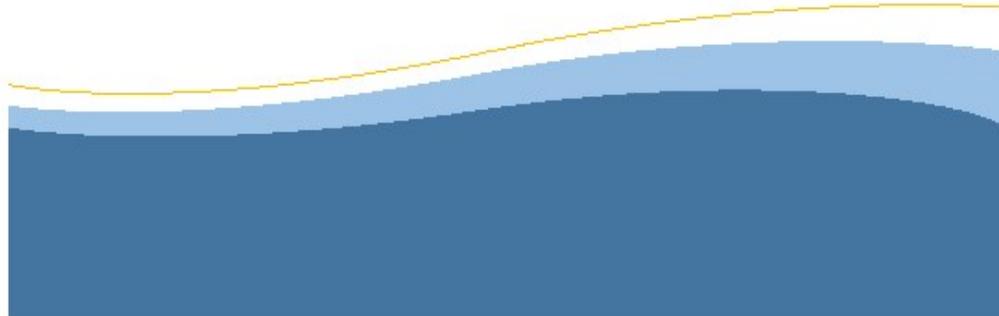
# Easter Fair

Saturday 30th March

2 to 4 p.m.

Sandhurst & Yateley Methodist Church,  
Scotland Hill  
Sandhurst

Gifts, games, Easter Egg Hunt, tea and coffee



## Quiz in aid of Action for Children



On Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> March, four of us took part in the Action for Children Circuit Quiz at Crowthorne Methodist Church. We made up a team of six with two members from Crowthorne and had a very enjoyable evening.

We called ourselves Sandycrow (it's the best name we could muster) – there were six teams in all. We weren't in the top three at the end but we weren't last so not too bad. Thank you to all who took part and contributed to the total of £250.00 that was raised for this very good cause.

Alison Fradgley

## In memoriam plaques



If you would be interested in sponsoring a memoriam plaque for the back of one of the church chairs, in memory of a loved one, please speak to Sue Truby.

We expect the cost to be of the order of £100. This includes the purchase and engraving of the plaque, and attaching to the back of a chair, with whatever is left over going to church funds.

The wording remains the same, but of course personalised with the name of your loved one(s).

## 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.





# Christian Aid Quiz

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019

St George's Church, Owlsmoor

Doors open at 7.00 pm for a 7.30 pm start



£10 entry including a choice of a fish, veggie burger  
chicken or sausage 'n' chip supper.  
£5 if you don't want a supper!

There will be a raffle  
All proceeds will go to Christian Aid

Please give numbers and menu choices to either your  
Church Co-ordinator.....

Or direct to  
[kegferretfan@aol.com](mailto:kegferretfan@aol.com)

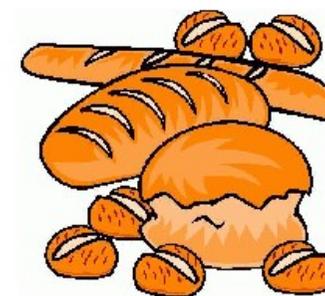


Lent Lunch  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup>  
April

**Homemade**  
**Soups with Bread**  
at St George's Church, Owlsmoor  
between 12.30pm and 2pm

just come for as long as suits you

**donations in aid**  
**of Foodbank**



## **Newsletter donations**

Once a year we ask those of you receiving a printed copy of your newsletter to make a contribution towards the costs of printing. A small envelope is included with this April edition. Please make your donation and then either give to a steward or hand it in with your collection. Thanks.