

# Services



## August 2019

4th	10:30 am	Jonnie Cunningham
11th	10:30 am	Mike Bowstead
		No SCT Ecumenical service
18th	10:30 am	Kim Tame
	6:30 pm	Film night: A Serious Man
25th	10:30 am	Rev Sharon Gardner (Holy Communion)

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And **Babes and Tots—Sandhurst**

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*Sandhurst and Yateley  
Methodist Church  
Newsletter  
July/August 2019*

## The Minister writes...

Dear friends,

I write this just before going on a pre-ordination retreat which is being held at Elim Conference Centre, Malvern, a beautiful place set in lovely grounds. The focus of the four days is on 'being' rather than 'doing' and the afternoons are given over to free time in which to find space for God. Wednesday has been assigned as a silent day and after breakfast we will keep silence until Holy Communion at 4.30pm. I find myself both excited yet somewhat in trepidation at the prospect because I don't really 'do' silence – well, not for more than about 15 minutes at a time anyway! Yet meeting with God or discovering him in silence has always been an important faith practice.



John Greenleaf Whittier was a Quaker. In the Quaker tradition the believers gather together in a lengthy silence: there are no set hymns, prayers or sermons. In the stillness they open their hearts to new insights and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Perhaps it is not surprising then that he wrote a hymn that has in it no less than ten references to quietness/ stillness/ silence. I refer, of course, to the well-loved *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*.

Verse 4 says this:

*With that deep hush subduing all our words and works that drown  
The tender whisper of Thy call, as noiseless let Thy blessing fall as fell Thy  
manna down.*

We live in a society where background noise is the norm: TV and radio, shop 'muzak', traffic, conversations, the insistent demand of the phone. We are so used to it, we have probably stopped noticing. We are not aware of how distracting is the hubbub of sound and activity.

*'We need to find God, and he cannot be found in noise and restlessness.  
God is the friend of silence.'*

Words of Mother Theresa, but she was not alone in making such observations.

In 1 Kings 19 we read the story of Elijah, in which he finally meets with God:

*<sup>11</sup> God said, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.' Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; <sup>12</sup> and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. <sup>13</sup> When Elijah heard the silence, he wrapped his face in his cloak*

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## July 2019

<b>7th</b>	10:30 am	Rev Sharon Gardner (Holy Communion)
<b>14th</b>	10:30 am	Sharon Wright
	6:30 pm	SCT Ecumenical service TBC
<b>21st</b>	10:30 am	Maggie Garton
	6:30 pm	Either 'The Shack' or 'The Bucket List'
<b>28th</b>	10:30 am	Rosemary Morganbarry
	6.30pm	Rev C Hicks. Circuit Service (Jackie's retirement)

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## August 2019 Rotas

### Flowers

4th Margaret Picken  
11th -  
18th Joyce Chappell  
25th -

### Funtime Worship

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

### Cleaning

w/c 12/8 Sandra Fogwill and Mary Adams

### Welcome

4th Barbara Rush  
11th Eunice Feeney  
18th Cynthia Robinson  
25th Mick Malone

### Coffee

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

## Lifts to Church on Sunday morning

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

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Tricia Needes 01252 658350

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*and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. **Then** God's voice came to him.....*

Elijah met God in the silence..... I wonder how often **we** meet with God in the silence, spending time in quiet prayer that we may hear HIM speaking to US and not just the other way around? That is just what I am hoping will happen during the silence and peace of the retreat – that I might have the joy of drawing close to God and hearing the whisper of his voice. (I will let you know how successful – or otherwise – I am at staying quiet!)

Thank you to all of you for your prayerful support and loving messages at this special time. Each one of you will be in my prayers whilst I am away.

With every blessing,

Sharon

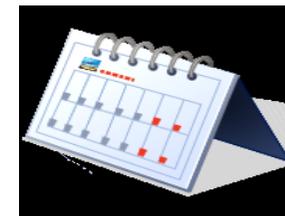
## What's on?

### June

30th: Sharon's Ordination service at Wolverhampton

### July

3rd: Wednesday Housegroup  
6th Yateley Choral Society  
7th: Bring n'share lunch (special birthdays for Sharon, Sandra F and Keg)  
9th: Praise and Prayer, Stewards meeting at the Manse  
11th: Coffee Morning, Thursday housegroup  
14th: Ecumenical service  
15th: Club 15  
16th: Church Council  
23rd: Rejoice!  
28th: Jackie's Farewell Service here



### August

7th: Wednesday housegroup TBC  
8th: Thursday housegroup  
15th: Club 15

## 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

**21st July: A Serious Man (2009)**

**18th August: The Tree of Life (2011)**



## Crowthorne Foodbank



Current shortages -

Potatoes, custard, sponge puddings, squash, coffee, bleach, washing tablets and conditioner

Thank you so much for your ongoing support

## Film night—film choices

Films for the next few months:

15th September: Inception (2010)

20th October: The girl with the Dragon Tattoo (2011)

17th November: Leviathan (2014)

## 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 July. There isn't one in August**  
Heather

## Jackie Case farewell service

Jackie's farewell service is here at SYMC on **Sunday July 28th** at 6.30 p.m. and will be led by Rev Conrad Hicks after having a tea for the circuit guests at 4.30 pm. We shall need volunteers to help with the catering on the evening.

We shall also be having a collection for her in the next couple of weeks, if you would like to give to her farewell present. More information later.

## Messy Church/Family film club

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

**September 21st is the next one** - 3.30 - 5 pm

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

## July 2019 Rotas

### Flowers

7th Ruth Braithwaite  
14th -  
21st Mary Grossman  
28th Matt and Helen Rowell

### Funtime Worship

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### Cleaning

w/c 1/7 Alison Fradgley and Eunice Feeny  
w/c 22/7 Sandra Woledge and Wendy Hart

### Welcome

7th Cynthia Robinson  
14th Mick Malone  
21st Frankie Hiron  
28th Margaret Picken

### Coffee

Alison Fradgley and Sonia Walton  
Margaret Picken and Cynthia Robinson  
Eunice Feeny and Ann Harper  
Phil and Hilary Tattershall

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## 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

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 2:00 pm	Rejoice!	Schoolroom
7:30 pm	Prayer Group	
8:00 pm	Bible Study	
30th 7.30pm	Prayer Group	Schoolroom
7.00pm	Bible Study	

### August

generally no sessions in August,

## 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 July**

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

## Flower festival—Saturday 25th May



The Flower Festival held by Sandhurst Churches Together as part of the above event went very well.

Over 100 people came to the Baptist Church (who hosted) and admired the flowers, listened to music being played and enjoyed homemade cakes and refreshments in the hall afterwards. There were some good conversations had. Louise Ratcliffe from the Baptist Church worked especially hard to make sure it all went smoothly and different churches contributed flower arrangements in the colours of the rainbow.

Our own Gil Forster arranged the beautiful 'Blue' arrangement (left) which was then brought back to our Church to enhance worship the next morning. Thank you to Gil!

White

Green





Rainbow and the player  
Rainbow in the vestibule



Red  
Violet



Yellow                      White                      Orange



## Minister

**Rev Sharon Gardner**

minister@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk  
01344 774967

Pastoral leader  
Margaret Picken  
pastoral@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk

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

Karen Glossop	01344 762407	Senior Steward
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 July and 8th August**

### Wednesday House Group:

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

**Wednesday 3rd July and 7th August (TBC)**



## Newsletter and Website

newsletter@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk

Contributions for the **September** Newsletter (in church on Sunday 25th August) or website should be with Sue Truby by **Wednesday August 14th**

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)

## Sharon's ordination service

Congratulations to Rev Sharon Gardner on reaching the milestone of acceptance for Ordination!

Sharon's ordination is to be held on the afternoon of **Sunday 30th June** in Wolverhampton at 4pm.

## 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.

## Music before the service starts

You may have noticed that Alison and Sue have started playing (usually) 4 of the more contemplative songs from Songs of Fellowship before the service starts at 10:30.



This started because when Sue went to Sharon's testimony service, there was the same (it was actually the end of a previous service). She found it really helpful to join in with the singing and prepare herself for worship, rather than just chat.

They would like to know what you think of this.

Did you notice?  
Did you join in?  
Did you find it helpful/enjoy it?  
Would you like them to continue?

If the answers are yes, then please feel free to let them know which songs you would like them to play, and they'll carry on. If the answers are no, please have a chat to them explaining your thinking.

Thanks

## Club 15—July

Monday **15th July**  
7.30 pm

Due to cost v likely turn out for Beer & Skittles at the Frog & Wicket there will be a games evening/quiz at Carol & Jim's instead. Hopefully drinks & snacks will be served on the terrace weather permitting! All welcome but please call 01344 777902 or email [cebaker@btconnect.com](mailto:cebaker@btconnect.com) if you are interested.

## Christian Aid Quiz



Many thanks to all who supported the Christian Aid Quiz which was organised by Sandhurst Churches Together. We raised £170 which has been donated to Christian Aid.

The evening was immense fun and we are so grateful to Wilf and Pam for again

being superb Quiz Masters. Watch out for the date of next year's Christian Aid Quiz!

Sandhurst Churches Together Team

## 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.



**SYMC Warmly Invite you to our  
260<sup>th</sup> Birthday Lunch**

**260<sup>th</sup>!! Yes!  
We are celebrating three 60<sup>th</sup> Birthdays in  
July  
Sharon Gardner, Keg & Sandra F with Joyce  
celebrating her 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

**We would love you to come along after your  
services and join us for a birthday lunch, the  
more the merrier!**

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at about 12.30 or when  
you can get there!**

**Put this date in your diary now!**

**If you would like to join us – then please let  
Keg know for catering purposes  
kegferretfan@aol.com**

## The Buzz

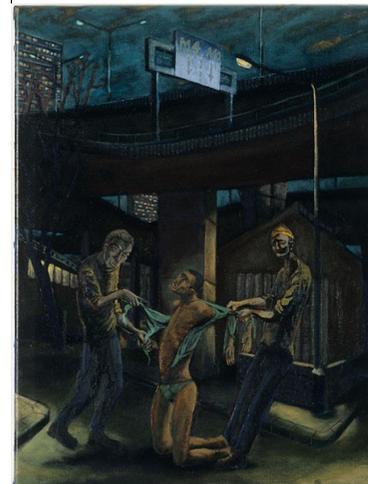
The Buzz is a monthly email that brings all members of the Methodist Church in Britain together by sharing good news from across the Connexion. The stories tell of the many different ways that the Church is working out the four aspects of our calling: Worship, Learning and Caring, Service and Evangelism. What is God doing for us and in our area? See <https://methodist-news.org.uk/t/BVI-64WBT-1A1D730JFC/cr.aspx>



**Worship**—Time and Again (Wesley Memorial Methodist Church, Oxford) More than 70 members and friends of Wesley Memorial Methodist Church worked together to put on 'Time and Again', an exciting and inclusive musical celebrating God's calling and love.



**Learning and Caring**—Love Hearts in Trinity (Ebenezer Methodist Church, Trinity, Jersey) Ebenezer Methodist Church in Trinity is uniting the eldest and youngest members of their congregation in a new club called 'Generations'



**Evangelism**—Encounters (Victoria Methodist Church, Bristol) Victoria Methodist Church recently held an exhibition by artist Mark Cazalet depicting Christ's last walk. 'Encounters: Walking the Fractured City', placed Christ's last walk around London.

**Service**—Second Helpings (Barn Hill Methodist Church, Stamford, Lincolnshire) The café at Second Helpings is an

initiative which collects unwanted food from the local community and uses this to create meals for those who need it. Not only does the enterprise prevent food waste but it's also environmentally conscious.



# Yateley CHORAL SOCIETY

Musical Director: **Quintin Beer**

## Madrigals

## FOLK

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

**St Peter's Church, Yateley, 7.45pm**

Rutter's jazzy **Birthday Madrigals**

McDowall's joyful **A Fancy of Folksongs**

**Traditional folk songs from around  
the British isles**

[www.yateley-choral.org.uk](http://www.yateley-choral.org.uk)

**Jazz piano – Stuart McSweeney**

**Double bass – David Barnes**

**Harp – Cecily Beer**

**Tickets £12 – including a drink**

Students £5, under 16s free

Available on the door  
from 01276 31850  
from Yateley Town council  
St Swithun's parish office  
Discoveries

Registered Charity: 295665



## Summer Organ Recitals - 2019



HIGH CROSS CHURCH  
FOR GREAT FOLK WORKING PARTNERS

### 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 11<sup>th</sup> series of lunch time organ recitals in the Sanctuary on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month from 12.45 until 1.30 pm as follows:

Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	George de Voil	Wellington College
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Geoffrey Tuson	Garrison Church, Aldershot
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Peter Beaven	Royal Memorial Chapel, Sandhurst
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July</b>	David Markby	High Cross
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> August	John Wood	High Cross
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August	Richard Bittleston	Abingdon

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](http://www.organrecitals.com)

## Garden Party 22nd June

Maggie and Colin Garton welcomed folk from the churches in all of the circuit. We enjoyed a peaceful afternoon in their beautiful garden whilst enjoying a delicious ploughman's and good company. This fantastic fund raising event totalled over £700 which will be donated to the toilet refurbishment at Bagshot. Thank you Maggie and Colin for your hospitality.

Keg



## Thanks from Sonia



Dear Friends,

We wish to convey our thanks to you all, for your prayers and support during the past year of Ian's illness. It has been a great comfort to James, Katherine and myself. Special thanks to everyone who attended Ian's funeral and for all your love and kind words. I know some of you may not have been able to attend but the kindness you have all shown me and the family have helped us get through this difficult time.

Kind Regards,

Sonia Walton

## Recycled bras

A poster for 'Bra Bank' recycling. The top part has the text 'We Need YOUR Support!' in pink and white. Below that is a pink bra. To the right, there is text explaining the service: 'Connect is a counselling service based in Camberley offering help and support to individuals, couples and families. Connect, in association with BCR Global Textiles, intend to raise funds through 'bra bank' recycling.' Below this is more information: 'More information at www.connectcounselling.org and www.brcglobaltextiles.com'. Further down, it says 'What? All you need to do is pop unwanted bras into your local bra bank recycling bin. Please ensure bras are clean, wearable and in plastic bags. Your contribution will not only 'uplift' people in third world countries, but also help raise money for 'Connect', your local counselling charity. So when support fails you, support someone else instead!!'. At the bottom right, there is a photo of a recycling bin labeled 'BRA BANK' and a sign that says 'BRAS SHOULD BE IN REASONABLE TO GOOD CONDITION &amp; LEFT IN A COLLECTION POINT IN THE HALL'. At the bottom left, there is contact information: 'Connect, Counselling Service, 11 Finsbury Street, Camberley, Surrey GU15 3TA, Tel: 01276 242111, www.connectcounselling.org, Registered Charity No: 1142952'.

Recycle your Bras and help Raise money for your local counselling charity 'Connect', and the developing world.

Connect is a counselling service based in Camberley offering help and support to individuals, couples and families. Connect, in association with BCR Global Textiles, intend to raise funds through 'bra bank' recycling.

More information at [www.connectcounselling.org](http://www.connectcounselling.org) and [www.brcglobaltextiles.com](http://www.brcglobaltextiles.com)

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So when support fails you, support someone else instead.

Bras should be in reasonable to good condition and left in the collection point in the hall.

## Club 15—August

The plan was to go to a pub to watch an outdoor performance of a Shakespeare play, but finding a local venue on the right date is proving to be problematic, therefore at this point we're not really sure exactly what will happen.

So watch out for details in due course.

Thanks  
Robert and Sandra