

Sandhurst and Yateley Methodist Church
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Sunday 1 st October 2023			
10.30 am	Morning Service	Preacher	Revd Sharon Gardner
		Music	Alison Bone
		Multimedia	None this week
		Flowers	John Rolls
		Assistant	TBC

Church Diary Week Commencing 1 st October 2023	
Tuesday	Stewards Meeting with Webinar on Artificial Intelligence
Wednesday	Babes and Tots 10.30-12

Sunday 8 th October 2023			
10.30 am	Morning Service	Preacher	Sharon Wright
	Harvest Service	Music	Alison Bone
		Multimedia	Chris Riley
6.30 pm	SCT Service at St Michael's		
		Steward	Wilf Hardy
		Assistant	Wendy Hart

We welcome any visitors and new residents with us today. Please introduce yourself to a steward or sign the visitor's book in the porch.

Spam if you normally get your newsletter by email, and it didn't appear last weekend, please check your spam folder as sometimes they get redirected there

Harvest Baskets We are holding our Harvest service on Sunday October 8th. Would some members like to decorate a Harvest basket and then it could be distributed to others following the service? If so perhaps they would like to take a basket as laid out on the table in the refreshment area following the service. Also if anyone has any suitable produce of fruit or vegetables that could be used in the display I would be happy to receive them on the afternoon of Friday October 6th. Any queries please contact me. Many thanks in advance. **Heather**

Harvest Gifts The Harvest Service will be on October 8th. The stewards have decided that the gifts donated will then be distributed to The Yateley Pantry and The Food Bank

Harvest Lunch We shall be having a Harvest Lunch straight after the service on Sunday 8th October. This will be a bring-and-share lunch. There will be a list to put your name down if you would like to join in the Harvest celebrations

and lunch. Don't worry if you are not able to bring anything for lunch or if you make up your mind at the last moment - there will be plenty to go around! Many thanks **Keg**

Church Council MONDAY 16th October at 7.30pm by Zoom. Zoom link is the same as for Tuesday evening Prayer and Bible study. Church Council members please check that the date is in your diaries. Please note that it is *not* on a Tuesday as has been our usual practice. Those who are not Church Council members are still welcome to attend the meeting although they are not able to vote. So, if you've ever wondered what goes on at the meetings, now is your chance to find out!

Christmas Dinner at The Bird In Hand – Friday 15th December As always the menu at the Bird in Hand looks delicious. I have provisionally booked for us to be seated at 7 pm. If you are interested in joining us for a slap-up meal and fab company please let me know. Cost of meal is £29.95 + 10% surcharge. I would need a £5 deposit and then you can pay on the night. Check out the menu on the website or look out for it in the October newsletter. Best wishes **Keg**

Link to Hope Family & Elderly Shoebox Appeal 2023 Yes it's that time of year again!! This means it is time for the Shoe Box Appeal.

Link to Hope is a Charity based near Worthing which sends shoeboxes to Eastern Europe (Romania, Moldova, Ukraine, Bulgaria) – they can be for a Family or a unisex shoebox for the Elderly. You don't have to wrap the box before you fill it – you wrap it up when it is full as you would a present. The shoeboxes should be average size – no boot boxes or oversized shoeboxes. Let's see how many boxes we can fill in the next couple of months!! The leaflet gives details of the items that should be included. I believe we shall need to have the shoeboxes dedicated at the end of October so that we can deliver them before 5th November as mentioned on the leaflet. I will advise when the Dedication will take place when I have arranged it. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me on 07811-870183 or alison@gfradgley.com. I hope to be in Church on Sunday. Thank you. **Alison Fradgley**



5@5
Praying together for Sandhurst
5pm on Thursday 5th October 2023

- If you can, please pause and pray for 5 minutes.
Our focus this month is on local health care services.
- doctors, nurses, dentists, therapists...
 - administrators
 - resources

We might be challenged by this quotation:-

"Beware in your prayers, above everything else, of limiting God, not only by unbelief, but by fancying that you know what He can do. Expect unexpected things 'above all that we ask or think.'"

And we might share this prayer:-

God of healing and compassion, we thank you for the services available to us and for the dedication of all who work in them.

Give skill, sympathy and resilience to all who care for the sick, and give wisdom to all those who provide support.

Strengthen all in their vocation through your Spirit, that by their work many will be restored to health and strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.