

Sandhurst and Yateley Methodist Church June and July 2026 newsletter



The Minister writes...

Dear friends,

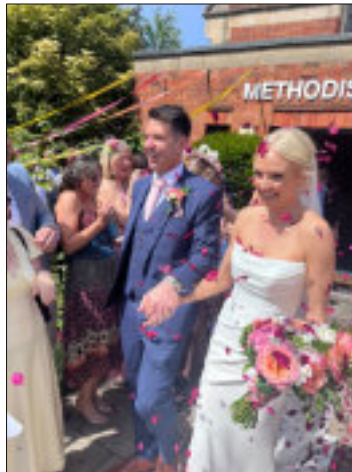
As I write this there are only three more days until our daughter's wedding.

We are all looking forward to what promises to be a beautiful day in every way. But, as those of you who have seen adult children get married can testify, there is such a lot of preparation and planning that goes into a wedding. Long before the day itself. From eighteen months previously booking the church and reception venue and sending out 'save the date' cards. Then a year ago booking the caterers, the florist, the pianist and the photographer. Six months ago choosing the wedding



dress and the outfits for the groom, the best man, the bridesmaids, the flower girl and the page boy.....and the list goes on. Last Sunday afternoon we held the rehearsal and it all became very real.

The excitement was palpable and also a little scary. Although our daughter and her fiancé have been together 10



years, this is still a significant step and one about which we are all thrilled. (I get to be both mother-of-the-bride and the minister who marries them – I cannot tell you how much pleasure that gives me!)

Weddings feature in the Bible too. Jesus performed his first miracle at the wedding at Cana and weddings are mentioned in his parables of the wise and foolish bridesmaids and the wedding banquet of the king's son.

Surely though, the most special wedding is the one that is promised at the end of days when, in prophetic imagery, Revelation 19: 6 – 9 reveals how the

Lamb (Christ) will come for his Bride (the Church) and she will be prepared 'in fine linen, bright and clean' (the righteous acts of God's holy people) and **all** those invited to the wedding banquet will be blessed. It is something we anticipate every time we share in the prayer of gratitude which follows Holy Communion, thanking God for the foretaste we have been given of the heavenly banquet prepared for all his people.

In 1998 Paul Field and Stephen Deal composed the music and wrote the lyrics for Hopes and Dreams, a musical based around the words of the Lord's Prayer, which was brought out in time for the dawning of the new millennium. Many churches came together in different towns to stage the musical, indoors or outside. Perhaps you were involved in or attended one locally? If so, you may recall the joyous penultimate song, 'Glorious sight' whose chorus says this: 'It's a glorious sight, like a bride on her wedding day, all is beautiful and true. In the city of light God will wipe every tear away; he will make all things new.'

Come Saturday, our family hope to be enjoying a wonderful day, one which we will remember and look back at photos of for many years to come. But, special though I am sure it will be, it will pale into insignificance compared to the one we, as believers, are promised at the end of days. So go and get your glad rags ready, find your invitations, put on your buttonholes or fascinators and prepare your hearts and minds and souls for the glorious day which will one day come!

With every blessing – and wishing everyone a lovely summer,

Sharon

What's on?

June

3rd: Coffee morning

9th : Rejoice!

11th: Housegroup, 5@5

13th: Summer Fair

14th : Bracknell 70th Anniversary service, no SCT service

17th: Diving deeper into Theology

21st: The Leprosy Mission service, Film night (note changed date)

24th : Coffee morning

28th : SCT Service at St George's, no Film night

July

12th : no SCT service

14th : Rejoice!

15th : Housegroup

23rd : Coffee morning

26th : Film night



The Conference

25 June - 1 July 2026, Telford

The Conference is the governing body of the Methodist church. Meeting once a year, it provides a forum for prayerful reflection and decision-making on issues that shape the life of the Church, as well as matters that impact the wider community, the nation and the world.

Crowthorne foodbank

Current shortages - **Cold tinned meat, long-life milk, tinned fruit, toiletries, deodorant, sponge puddings, tinned spaghetti, washing up liquid**

Note—they currently have plenty of baked beans, dog food, cat food and pasta

Note: the foodbank update their needs weekly here: [Crowthorne.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/](https://crowthorne.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/)
Thank you so much for your ongoing support.

Please do consider the food bank when you do your food shopping. There are collection points in most of the major supermarkets. E.g. Tesco, The Meadows—please only place Tesco bought items in these bins. Co-op, the High Street, Crowthorne.



Coffee, Craft and Creativity

Coffee, Craft and Creativity Mornings every **fourth Thursday** in the month.

This is a lovely opportunity to catch up over coffee and cakes and be creative too!

The next Coffee, Craft and Creativity morning will be on Thursday June 24th and July 23rd 2026 10.30 - 12 noon.

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



S.A.L.T.

Bible study boring? No way! Why not give it a try and find out for yourselves.

Along with praying, the reading of Scripture is a very important way of growing spiritually and studying it together helps it come alive. We learn from study guides and from each other. None of us are super-spiritual or have all the answers but together we grapple with the difficult bits and enjoy the more straightforward parts. There are no 'foolish' questions so if you've been coming to church for years and are concerned that you maybe aren't as familiar with the Bible as you feel you 'should' be - well don't be embarrassed or let that stop you giving this a go.

It isn't necessary to attend every week - just join us as and when you can.

We meet by Zoom. If you're not sure about Zoom and haven't given it a go before, then please ask me (Sharon) and I can help you. Joining a Zoom meeting is free. You don't have to have a Zoom account, you just need a link (see below for the link we use), and a laptop, tablet (e.g. iPad) or smartphone. We start at 7.45pm for a short time of chat and prayer and begin the study at 8pm, finishing around 9pm.

June is Bible month and we will join with other Methodist Churches across the Connexion in looking at Paul's Letter to the Philippians. This will be reflected in the preaching on Sunday as well as in our Bible studies so there should be a very joined-up feel to it all. In fact, this might be a very good month to try the Bible study if you haven't done so before!

July ~ we will complete our study of John's gospel.

August ~ please note there is no Bible study during August.

Zoom link: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/2799549300?pwd=YjVCazFHR0NwZE50OEhaRzhMdm13UT09>

Meeting ID: 279 954 9300

Passcode: 3v25BE



The Leprosy Mission service 21st June

Gabby North from the Leprosy Mission will be leading our worship on 21st June. She will also be informing us of the work of the Leprosy Mission. We will be taking a retiring collection at the end of the service, if you feel so led to donate.

Some information on Leprosy:

Leprosy (or Hansen's Disease) is a disease caused by the bacillus mycobacterium leprae. Leprosy starts by damaging nerves close to the surface of the skin. The first signs are often discoloured patches on the body that have lost sensation.

Because mycobacterium leprae multiplies slowly, symptoms of the disease can take a long time to develop - around five years on average but sometimes as long as 30 years.

Leprosy is not an affliction of the past. It is a 21st century disease, devastating people's lives right now. For over 2,000 years, the disease has continued to affect men, women, and children. If treated early, it's unlikely the disease will cause permanent disability. But if left untreated, it progresses and the nerve damage spreads. Lacking sensation in their hands and feet, people with leprosy can injure themselves. And these injuries can lead to ulcers, infection and permanent disability.

Leprosy can cause muscle paralysis, resulting in clawed fingers and foot drop. This makes it difficult for people to walk or use their hands.

The condition can also damage nerves in the face, causing the eyelid muscles to stop working. As the eyes are no longer protected by blinking, they are easily damaged, leading to sight loss and blindness.

Some people experience reactions to the leprosy bacteria in their body, even when the bacteria are dead/have been treated and treatment is underway or completed. These reactions can cause pain, sickness, swelling of the skin and fever. They are hard to treat, making it necessary for people to stay in hospital for a long time.

A cure for leprosy has been available since 1982. Multi-drug therapy is a combination of three drugs taken daily for six or 12 months, depending on the severity of the disease. But while treatment stops leprosy progressing, it can't reverse disability. This is why the specialist services we provide are vital. A clawed hand, dropped foot or damaged eyelids can be restored with surgery. Ulcers can heal with effective treatment. Custom-made protective footwear can reduce the chances of injury and stop ulcers developing. However, some disabilities caused by leprosy are too severe for surgery to have much effect.



Leprosy is only mildly infectious, being spread by moisture droplets passed through the air from someone who has leprosy but has not started treatment. Leprosy is not hereditary. You can't catch it by touching someone. It usually takes years of living close to an untreated leprosy patient to catch the disease. And around 95 per cent of people are thought to be naturally immune. When immunity is lowered due to poor nutrition, illness and general poor living conditions, people are more likely to catch leprosy.

In some countries, people are afraid of leprosy, due to ancient myths and superstitions or a lack of understanding. People may not want to touch someone affected by leprosy in case they too get the disease. Or they may not understand that someone is leprosy free after completing treatment.

People affected by leprosy are often subjected to stigma and discrimination. They can be rejected by their families, friends and communities. Many people lose their jobs and struggle to find new employment. Others lose their homes or find themselves excluded from school.

One way the stigma of leprosy persists is through use of the word 'leper'. This word is offensive to people affected by the disease. It is associated with the prejudice and appalling treatment they have faced.

We use the term 'people affected by leprosy', or 'leprosy patient' for someone undergoing treatment.

Did you know that:-

It costs £24 to diagnose and cure a person from Leprosy

It costs £20 to give a person an emergency food parcel to feed for a month

It costs £300 to build a toilet to help with dignity, safety and hygiene

Here is the Leprosy Mission's Mission Statement

"We are a global Christian organisation leading the fight against leprosy. Following Jesus Christ, we seek to bring about transformation; breaking the chains of leprosy and empowering people to attain healing, dignity and life in all its fullness."

I am sure we will learn a lot more about this incredible charity when Gabby visits us on 21st June. Please pray the Leprosy Mission prayer from our Weekly Notices and prayerful consider donating to this cause.

Keg TLM Champion for SYMC

Songs of praise at Sandhurst Day Centre

Did you know that a small group of people from the different churches in Sandhurst lead a Songs of Praise style service at Sandhurst Day Centre on the first Tuesday of each month from 11.30 am - 12 noon.

These short services are so appreciated by the Day Centre clients and staff alike and we always get a very warm reception. It really is a joyful way to spend a little time once a month. We would love some more folk to come and join us. You don't have to do anything (other than help by singing!) but if you wanted to do a reading or help with the prayers that would also be appreciated. With Revd. John Castle due to move away just after Easter, we will lose our regular piano player so if you can play an instrument, well, that would be fab!

5@5

Praying together for Sandhurst 5pm Thursday 11th June 2026

If you can, please pause and pray for 5 minutes at this time. On this occasion we pray for the Christian presence in Sandhurst.

- For Christian folk to "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." (2 Peter 3:18)
- For our churches, house groups, activities
- For our ministers, chaplains, deacons, stewards...
- For Christians in positions of influence in our community

Jesus called his followers to "let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

So we might share this prayer -
God our Father, Lord of all,
let the light of your love shine in every part of our town.
May it shine through every street, shop, workplace, school and church.
Let the gospel reach every part of our community and break through every area of darkness.
Strengthen your people for service and draw many more into a knowledge of your love.
Amen

Hotel toiletries

If you have any spare mini toiletries which you have had from hotels or airlines, then please consider donating them to the Whitechapel Mission Shelter for the Homeless.



Maggy and Colin G go up to the Shelter every year and take donated toiletries with them. Just hand to a steward. Thanks

Maundy Thursday Supper and Service

Bracknell Methodist Church hosted the Maundy Supper and service this year and all were invited from SYMC and Crowthorne Methodist as well as ourselves. Six of us from SYMC took up their kind offer and I think there were about 40 folk in total. The tables were adorned with beautiful china, and bowls overflowing with oranges, satsumas, bananas and grapes. The supper was superb with pate, soft and hard cheese, porky pies and ham. There was an assortment of bread and crackers and celery, lettuce and fresh cherry tomatoes in bowls for us to help ourselves. Potato salad and coleslaw were also served. There were bottles of water and even Shloer juice to help wash everything down. Bracknell really did excel themselves with their hospitality, it really was a feast, just as it would have been when Jesus and his disciples would have enjoyed the Passover meal.

Sharon led the worship after our supper, with fellowship out of the way, and our tummies full, we were able to concentrate on the most solemn of times when Jesus saw his betrayer leave the room, knowing that His time was really short. We partook of the communion which Jesus instigated at the Passover meal, remembering the breaking of his body and the shedding of his blood, as he did on the cross the very next day.

We are so grateful to Bracknell for such a lovely evening of fellowship and feasting, and to Sharon for delivering such a thought provoking, profound and contemplative service. Next year at SYMC!! Keg

Rejoice!

From 10:30 - 11:30 on the 2nd Tuesday of the month a small group of us meet in the church to sing old favourite hymns, learn new ones and share fellowship.



If you miss singing hymns that perhaps you loved years ago or are keen to familiarise yourself with different ones you would be very welcome.

Sometimes there is also a chance to select what will be sung at services either when Sharon is preaching or when we have a Local Arrangement.

The next meetings of Rejoice! Will be on Tuesday **9th June** and **14th July** 2026 unless advised otherwise.



Camberley & District Silver Band



Postcards from Britain

27th June

Music from Leroy Anderson, Vaughan Williams, Katie Moss and many more

DOORS OPEN AT 6.30 PM
STARS AT 7pm
FREE ENTRY

Sandhurst and Yateley Methodist Church,
Scotland Hill, Sandhurst. GU47 8JR
tickets@camberleyband.org.uk



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.



Film night



Film night is usually on the 4th Sunday... but...

The next two dates are **21st June and July 26th** and these will be held in the church.

Do join us for fellowship and pizza at around 18:30

Flower rota

For various reasons, there are always a number of Sundays available on the flower rota.

If you would like to take one of these, please let me know. You can buy a bunch of flowers to put in a vase, or flowers for an arrangement (Oasis or an alternative is always available), or make a donation (via the stewards) and one of the silk flower arrangements will be used that Sunday.



Gil F has some tips:

It is tradition in our church not to use just red and white flowers—if you particularly want to use red and white, then please also include flowers of another colour.

Because the wall behind the communion table is black, some flower colours (dark red, blue or purple—receding) don't show up very well unless very carefully surrounded by light foliage. It is probably better to use white, yellow, orange, pink—bright (advancing) colours.

It is lovely to be able to give flowers to members of the congregation—a ministry of flowers.

Dates available in June - 14th and in July - none.

Thanks. Sue T

Please note: Please use the front entrance to the church when arranging the flowers if there are any hirers in the hall. The oasis and pot will be either in church or in the vestry once flowers have been distributed on a Sunday.

Thanks

120th Anniversary All Day Celebrations

Great is Thy Faithfulness: Remembering God's Goodness, Renewing our Hope

We started the day with a celebration service with our worship led by our previous minister, Revd Dr John Amankwatia Rtd. The theme of his service was 'Great is thy faithfulness: Remembering God's Goodness, Renewing our Hope'.

Our first hymn was 'Praise my soul the King of Heaven'— how wonderful the words of the hymn reiterated in the call to worship in Psalm 103:1-5 where David himself is praising God from the depths of his being. It is a reminder to us all that remembering God's goodness has the power to completely transform our perspective and renew our strength.

John spoke of the vision of those who built our church 120 years ago, and how we are the fruit of their labours. We may never know what a difference we can make, just as those people who wanted to build a church to worship God, would never have seen how this church has thrived during the generations, and the fact we are still here worshipping God now. He encouraged us all to persevere with our endeavours, just as those before us have persevered. We may never see the fruits of our labours, but nonetheless they will be there.

Philippians 1:3-6 was another chosen scripture by John which was read out by Gil. This is where Paul and Timothy thank God for all those in the church of Philippi, remembering them with joy in their prayers. John said that we give thanks that today the gospel is being preached in our own church here, just as it was 120 years ago and that God will continue to develop, sustain and ultimately bring that spiritual work to completion until the day that Christ returns, yet another reminder from John to persevere.

Then we move to the future and our commission from our Lord in Matthew 28:18-20 'go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I will be with you until the very end of the age'.

This is to renew our hope, reminding us of our ongoing commission, to continue to be disciples and to preach the word to all, that Jesus will always be with us, to continue the good work started in this church 120 years ago, and to continue this vision of that generation, to be a beacon of light in our community, to persevere.

We finished the service with the great hymn, 'To God be the Glory'. Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice!, Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice! O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son; and give him the glory – great things he has done!



Celebration lunch – we had a wonderful time of fellowship over lunch. What a feast! There was enough to feed the 5,000! We had 58 guests who enjoyed a time to get together and reminisce over the relatively short time by comparison, that we have all been part of SYMC. We were so pleased that

a few of our past members were able to join us, it was like old times having them at church. Some past members and those who could not be with us, had sent messages of congratulations to us, and these were read out during the welcome before the morning service. We had a couple of quizzes as ice-breakers on the dining tables – basically fun – one was a Bible Quiz and the other a pot-pourri of absolutely nothing to do with the church anniversary!



Heather Brown had put together a presentation of newspaper clippings, photographs and other items documenting the history of the church. This was displayed at the back of the hall during the lunch. Mrs Daphne Clark had presented us with a folder of photographs and information, which proved to be very interesting. Heather had spent a lot of time and effort putting this exhibition together and so



many people looked at this during the lunch. Thank you to Heather for this most informative exhibition.

At 2.30 pm we started the drama! "Six Score Years – A Wesleyan Anniversary". These were the words describing the play by its creator, Douglas Brown.

"Dr James Russell MD (1851-1933) was many things: Medical Officer to Easthampstead RDC, possibly Sandhurst's first GP, and the first chairman of Sandhurst Parish Council. He also donated the land on which our church was built. For this last reason I made him the protagonist of my play about our church's history since its opening on 2nd May 1906. I tried to imagine him following our church's history from that date to today:

its 120th Anniversary. How would he react to the way his church developed? How would he sum up its history?"

Many more of our friends from the other churches in Sandhurst and our circuit came to join us for the drama. After the laborious task Douglas had to perfect his script, printing it out for all who took part, all the rehearsals and dress rehearsals, the drama itself proved to be both engaging, interesting and humorous, a great success!. Well done Douglas! your hard work really paid off! Not only that but the donations made from those attending the drama were incredibly generous.

We had a gift day and the total raised on the day was £1,320 but I have since heard that there are several more substantial payments we are expecting, so watch this space for the final total. We need £3,000 to purchase a new projector for the multi-media – will we do it??

Well, the celebrations are over, all that planning! But we give God the thanks for those who built our church, who had that vision, who had the desire for a place to worship our God, for their time, money and resources, for their perseverance and steadfastness. May we also hold onto that vision and may we continue to be a beacon of light in the 'winding lane in the wilderness' for the next 120 years.

Psalm 122:1 "I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord' "

Keg

Hopefully there will be some photos from the drama next time

Congratulations!

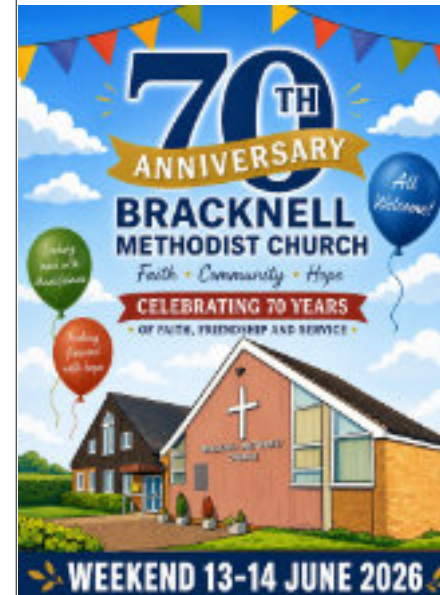
Congratulations, Sandhurst, 120 years old!
Well done those folks in 1906 for being so bold
Opening a building to shelter from all kinds of weather
Sharing the Good News by worshipping together
Meeting to sing and to preach
With pastoral work as outreach!

I've wanted to share your jubilation
Though I've had my own celebration
of SIXTY years' service in our local circuit
Amongst so many friends who've helped to work it!

A common denominator is choral music spent
Training singers for a special event
or accompanying the Circuit Choir
Offering solos with a voice oddly higher;
Working and sharing in a wider community
Of methodist, with utter impunity.

Several friends within your congregation
Over six decades have shared such elation
There's been so many aspects of devotion
Like pebbles looking out onto a vast ocean!

John Rolls 21/5/26



Dear Friends,

The Church is celebrating its 70th Anniversary this June, and we would be delighted to welcome representatives from our neighbour churches to be part of this special occasion.

The highlight of the weekend will be our Anniversary Service at 10:30am on Sunday, led by returning minister Revd Richard Bielby (1986–93).

We will also be holding activities on the Saturday, including children's games, presentations from several of the groups who use the building, and shared food. If you would like to make a weekend of it, you are very welcome to do so.

Space will be at a premium on the Sunday so please let me know if you would like to attend.

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And their supporter**



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**Darby Green Centre, Darby Green
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Except Bank Holidays**

FREE TO ATTEND

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Large Free Car Park
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New volunteers always welcome for further information
find us on Facebook – Daisy Chain Café Yateley, email
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SONGS OF PRAISE

To all SCT

Please come and join us at

St George's Church, Owlsmoor

Sunday June 28th at 6.30pm

LEE DEWSNAP on organ and piano

Retiring Collection

If you would like to send details of your
favourite hymn /worship song before

Sunday 21st June

wardens@stgeorgeowlsmoor.org.uk

we will try and include it.

Diving deeper into Theology - Fleet Methodist

Dr Rachel Starr from the Queens Foundation will be joining us (online, via a video link) to talk all things Old Testament on **17th June**. Because of the need for internet, the session will take place at **North Camp Methodist Church** in the creche. 7.30 pm start

Dr Starr was Sharon's tutor for the Old Testament teaching and is very good.

Sharon and Keg will be going, so if you need a lift, then please let us know and we will ensure you have a lift.

If you have any questions for Rachel, please let us know so we can submit them as soon as possible so that she can prepare.

Jonquil

Now that Jonquil has had its day
Springtime golds are blown away...
Then woods which were paved in blue
Bells wafting scent all the way through!
Now that summer's on the brink
Soon the palette is drest in pink
Longest daylight comes late June
So enjoy wild roses very soon!

Jonquil – John Rolls 22/5/26

Your favourite hymns

If you would like to suggest a favourite hymn that we don't regularly sing, then please suggest it to Alison B and she'll put a list together for Sharon to try to include in one of her services with us.
We would also be able to practice it in Rejoice!

Giving lifts to church

We have a number of people on the list who regularly give others lifts to church from both the Sandhurst and Yateley areas, but it would be helpful if we were able to have a few more volunteers.
If you drive, please do consider if you would be able to help out like this.
Thanks

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baptist church

Bringing Christ and His love to our communities

Coffee Morning

in support of



Wednesday 3rd June
10am-12noon

Drinks, homemade cakes
and more in the

Hall behind the chapel
(some parking spaces on site)



SUMMER FAIR

Saturday 13th June

2—4 pm

Crafts, Cakes, Tombola, Games,
Cards, with tea and cakes

Everyone welcome



Recycling for Good Causes

In the vestibule you will notice a largish box which advertises 'Recycling for good causes.'

Please donate your unwanted items from the following list. There are some leaflets available which tell you about what can be recycled but basically it is:
Unwanted jewellery - including damaged items and costume jewellery and watches

Coins and currency - any age and UK and foreign both acceptable

Mobile phones, cameras, video cameras and gadgets including ipods, tablets but NOT laptops.

Stamps - single, loose and presentation packs.

The box contains a sack. When the sack is full Recycling for Good Causes will collect it and the church will receive 75% of the proceeds from the sale of the contents within about 8 weeks of collection. (As a guide, at High Cross they received a cheque for £80 - so it is definitely worth doing this!)

Thanks,
Sharon

Reminder of more recycling

And of course you can still recycle medication blister packs (preferably in plastic bags), bras (any condition), pens (working or not) and Ferrero Rocher boxes (probably empty!) in the other box in the foyer!

Note that Pringles tubes can now go in with your household recycling.

Thanks Sue T

In memoriam plaques



I am delighted to be able to tell you that **Camberley and District Funeral Directors** (Yorktown Road, College Town) are now sponsoring our memorial plaques.

Just talk to Sue T about the words you'd like and they will provide the plaque for free! Doug W has been attaching them to the seats once done. Thanks Doug!

A donation to the church of £50 is suggested but not required.

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Sandhurst

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College Town, GU47 0QA

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Our Church Hall availability

Please keep in mind the following availability of our beautifully redecorated, light and airy church hall should you, or someone you know, be looking for such a facility.

Regular hirers as well as occasional use for children's parties or meetings always considered and most welcome.

Mondays—10:30am to 4:30pm

Tuesdays—11am to 2pm

Wednesdays—3pm to 7pm

Thursdays—fully booked at present

Fridays—11am through to midnight

Saturdays—1pm through to midnight

To see our charges (plus more photographs and measurements) please click <https://sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk/blog/hall-hire/>

Regular bookings

£19.50 per hour with the use of the kitchen

£18.50 per hour without use of the kitchen

£17.50 per hour for charities with use of the kitchen

Single one-off events

£22.50 per hour for parties etc with the use of the kitchen)

£20.00 per hour for charities

Please make contact via halls@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk



Minister

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Karen Glossop	Senior Steward
Sandra Wooledge	
Heather Brown	
Matt Rowell	

Sandhurst Churches Together



14th June no SCT service

28th June at St George's - Songs of Praise

12th July no SCT service

No SCT service in August

Newsletter and website

Contributions for the **August 2026** Newsletter (in church on Sunday 26th July 2026 or website) should be with Sue T by **Sunday July 19th 2026**

Contributions should either be:

Handed to Sue at Church,

Emailed to: newsletter@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk

House Fellowship group - providing a friendly platform for discussion...

Thursday House Group (usually third Thursday)— at 15:00

We always welcome new faces and would love you to come and join us. To find out more, please email steward@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk



The next meeting will be on **11th June** at Margaret H's - time not yet decided, then **16th July** at Robert's

'Our Story, Our Song' Art exhibition

The Lincolnshire District asked each of their churches to submit artistic reflections inspired by the presidential theme for this year 'Our Story, Our Song' The result was almost 40 pieces of artwork including paintings in oil and watercolour, needlework, poetry, woodwork and glass.

The exhibition was seen in all its splendour for the first time at the Spring District Synod and is now on tour around a number of circuits over the summer. "I always knew there were lots of talented artists in the district," says Angy Long, Chair of Lincolnshire District, "but this response has been amazing. The theme has really touched people's hearts.

"We have stories expressing the work done in various churches and personal reflections on faith, the nature of church and important personal relationships."

Some examples:



Crucified Christ of Nails - the Rev Graham Miles, Superintendent Minister, East Lincolnshire Circuit (left)



Christ the Good Shepherd - Kate O'Flynn (above right)

Ruskington Methodist Church - Signing Blessed Assurance (yes that's right, Signing not singing)

Rotas - June and July

Flowers

Coffee

June		
7th	Jon and Alison B	Marian L and Wendy H
14th	-	Alison B and Cynthia R
21st	Sue T	Joan T and Sandra W
28th	Alison F	Joan T and Mary A
July		
5th	Joan T	Marian L and Cynthia R
12th	Matt and Helen R	Margaret H and Cynthia R
19th	Mary G	Alison B and Cynthia R
26th	Margaret P	Margaret H and Cynthia R

Lifts to church on Sunday morning

If you would like a lift to church and you live in Sandhurst or Yateley, please contact the stewards on steward@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk (or phone the minister on 01344 774967) and they can provide you with the details of some of our church members who have volunteered to give lifts.

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

Yateley

Pam H

Tricia N

Sandhurst

Graham F

Douglas B

Services - June and July 2026



June		
7th	10:30 am	Local Arrangement
14th	10:30 am	Rev Sharon Gardner (Holy Communion)
	18:30 pm	No SCT service
21st	10:30 am	Gabby North (The Leprosy Mission), Film night (note different date)
28th	10:30 am	Local Arrangement followed by General Church Meeting
	18:30 pm	SCT service, Songs of Praise at St George's, no film night
July		
5th	10:30 am	Sharon Wright
12th	10:30 am	Rev Sharon Gardner (Holy Communion)
	18:30 pm	No SCT service
19th	10:30 am	Rev Nick Oborski
26th	10:30 am	Charmain Dinham
	18:30 pm	Film night

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