Sandhurst and Yateley Methodist Church November 2026 newsletter



The Minister writes…



Dear friends,

As I type, it is a dull, grey day outside – perfect for staying indoors in the warm. Even the dog doesn't fancy going out!

Despite the dreariness of today's weather, I love this time of year. The beauty of autumn as the trees change colour can lift the spirits no end, especially if accompanied by a clear, crisp, sunny morning. We are also starting the rundown to Christmas (there, sorry, I've said the word!) and there are just 56 days left to go (fewer by the time you read this). Soon it will be Advent and the spiritual build-up to the Incarnation begins afresh, although the secular build-up began indecently early as it always does with Christmas gifts, decorations and music in the shops before summer was even fully over.

One date in my diary each autumn is a visit to the Christian Resources Exhibition at Sandown Racecourse. Two weeks ago, I attended on the day that Revd. Canon J. John was the keynote speaker. An evangelist, broadcaster and writer with a great sense of humour, the opportunity to hear him was not to be missed and he didn't disappoint. Whilst his talk was aimed primarily at church leaders, it struck me that much of what he said applies to many of us in church life.

He spoke about how, in the Bible, we only ever hear that God 'walked' and he asked, "If the pace of God is walking, why are so may of us running all the time?" He also issued a warning: "Are we in danger of having so many irons in the fire that we risk putting out the fire?"

These were food for thought for me – and I suspect for you too. As the pace of life increases at this time of year, we might do well to ponder those words and assess whether we need to slow to God's pace.

One opportunity to do that will be at our Remembrance & Love Remembered Service on Sunday 8th November at 3pm. This is when we take time to remember those loved ones who have died and light a candle in memory of them. This quieter, more reflective service provides the perfect space just to 'be still and know God's presence'. (Psalm 46:10) For some whose loss is very recent it is also a chance to know God's comfort in the midst of their grief.

That comfort is something we can discover through prayer – our own prayers and those of others. Many times people have said that knowing that others

are praying for them has provided consolation, and the kindness shown by the church family is a real emotional support.

It seems that that was something echoed in another message from J John – one we already know in our hearts but is good to think on and take encouragement from:

"None of us have got it together – but together we've got it!"

Every blessing,

Sharon

What's on?



November
1st : Time to Remember
4th : Creative Spirit
7th : Three Women Called Mary
8th : Remembrance and Love Remembered service at 3pm
10th : Rejoice!
12th : 5@5
14th : Fleet Methodist Church YCS concert
19th : Housegroup
22nd : Film night
26th : Coffee, Craft and Creativity
27th : Cecilia Singers at St Michael's
28th : Christmas Fair/Sandhurst Camera Club exhibition Turning on the Christmas Lights
29th : First Sunday in Advent

December
7th : Carol Singing at The Village Inn
9th : Carol Singing at The Meadows
12th : Messy Christmas and Christingle. Christmas Comedy and Carols at St Michael's
20th : Carol Service and Bird in Hand Christmas Meal
27th : Circuit Service online from Woosehill

January
17th : Covenant Service
23rd : Upper room clearing
24th : Joint Unity Service at Crowthorne Baptist church for Churches together in Crowthorne and Sandhurst

Christmas Day - important notice!

This Christmas Day, as last year, people are warmly invited to join with Crowthorne Methodist Church for worship at 10.30am.

We had hoped that we would have been able to hold a service at our own church but, sadly, we just don't have enough people able to commit to being there to make it possible. Sharon will be leading the service at Crowthorne and would love to see SYMC folk there too, so please do come if you can – you will be assured of a very warm welcome.

Christmas Eve- would people like a service?

Increasingly, over the last few years, our morning Carol Service (this year on the 20th December) has become for many their main Christmas service. We do understand that often folk go away to family and aren't able to be at church on Christmas Day itself. However, with this being the second year running that we won't have held a Christmas Day service in our church, Sharon wondered if people would appreciate a Christmas Eve service?

It would be a reflective, simple Communion service. There are two possible times: **2pm or 6pm.** Please could you let me (Sharon) know if this is something you would like and, importantly, whether you would attend it? Also, which time would work best for you. If there is sufficient interest, then I would love to be able to offer this to our congregation. (When I offered this a few years ago only two people responded to say they thought it was a good idea but unfortunately neither of them could make it, so it didn't happen.)

Please let me know, preferably by email: sharon.gardner@methodist.org.uk or phone 01344 774967

Nominations for charity donations

Each year our Church gives donations to charities that have been nominated by the congregation. The amount we are able to donate to charities can vary each year. We are a little late in doing this, this year.

Please send your nominations to Keg (kegferretfan@aol.com)and if you are able to give us a little information on the charity of your choice, only a couple of sentences, that would be very helpful.

All nominations will be brought to our next Church Council in February, and we will vote at that time. Keg

Christmas charities

Each year we collect a considerable amount of money at Christmas for charity. Instead of everyone sending out Christmas cards, we tend to donate what we would have spent on sending cards to church family, and also give to our retiring collection at our Christmas Carol Service.

At our recent Church Council we voted to give all Christmas donations to two local charities: Sandhurst Day Centre and Daisy Chain in Yateley. All donations will be split evenly between these two very worthwhile organisations who serve their communities.

At the beginning of December we will have a decorated box in the Vestibule for you to put in any donations that you wish to give. Many thanks for your generosity.

Stewarding Team

Cornerstone counselling

Beverley James of Cornerstone counselling writes:

I'm writing to introduce Cornerstone Counselling, a Yateley based counselling service offering low-cost counselling for individuals and couples.

We currently have availability and would be grateful to see anyone who may benefit from support in our direction. You can contact us at enquiries@cornerstone-yateley.org.uk or find out more at www.cornerstone-yateley.org.uk .

Please feel free to share this information with anyone who might find it helpful. We're happy to provide further details about our service and how referrals work.

Warmly,

Beverley

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Yateley
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GU46 7LR
Tel:01252 860499 / Mob: 07716163806
beverley@cornerstone-yateley.org.uk
www.cornerstone-yateley.org.uk

Alison Fradgley

Alison Fradgley will be greatly missed in the running of the church.

Behind the scenes she did so many roles quietly and efficiently. She was the Church Safeguarding Officer, the Action for Children organiser as well as completing the coffee rota, the cleaning rota, organising the work parties and buying cleaning supplies. She also organised the Link to Hope shoeboxes each autumn.

She was a founder helper at the Babes and Tots group which started 15 years ago and continued to make the playdough up until this term.

Brickbuilders Club - a great success!

We held our first Brickbuilders Club on Saturday 3rd October and it was a great success! We had 19 children attend with their adults and everyone seemed to enjoy the session. After an initial time of free-play in the hall with the Lego/Duplo provided, we went into church to watch a Lego video on the parable of the sower and the seed. The children then returned to the hall to reproduce the parable, working in twos or threes or individually according to their preference. The interpretation of the parable was quite loose (LOL!) but it was wonderful to see them all happily engaged and to get to chat with them about what they had made and why. Pizza, healthy snacks and cakes were provided and everyone sat down to eat together.

The families were invited back the next morning for our Harvest service and had the opportunity to show off their Lego models. Just a couple of families came but it was lovely to have children taking part in the service and generally enjoying being in church.

One of the big 'pluses' was that only a few of the families who came to Brickbuilders were people known to us through Babes and Tots or Messy Church; most of those attending were new families. That was largely down to Samantha Morris, our new Lay Children's, Youth & Families Worker, who advertised the Brickbuilders Club in more places than we are usually able to reach. We certainly hope they will be back for more!

We plan to hold another Brickbuilders Club in the Spring Term – watch this space for more details.

In the meantime, our next outreach will be the ever-popular Messy Christmas, Christingles and Carols on Saturday 12th December from 3 – 4.30pm. If you are able to help in any way, please let Sharon, Keg or Sandra know as we are always in need of extra hands.

Thank you!

If you were one of those who contributed Lego or money for us to be able to resource this club, thank you very much. Your contributions have been thoroughly appreciated. We don't need any more Lego now but always welcome extra help on the day.

Bird in Hand Christmas Meal

On Sunday 20th December at 12:45 pm after the Carol Service

After our Christmas Carol Service, come and join us for some Christmas Fayre. We are booked for 12:45 which will give us time to enjoy refreshments after our festive Carol Service. The menu is below.

Please let Keg know if you are intending to go - £10 deposit per person.

the Bird in Hand
Traditional pub & restaurant in Little Sandhurst

Christmas menu 2026

Starters
Chicken liver pate with balsamic onion chutney and toasted brioche (GF)
Butternut squash soup with crusty bread (GF)(VG)(VE)
Crab, prawn and avocado with pickled cucumber (GF)
Baked camembert, mushrooms, smoked bacon and onions topped with a herb crust

Main courses
Traditional roast turkey with all the festive trimmings (GF)
Red Thai salmon, prawn and monkfish curry and rice (GF)
Beetroot and butternut squash wellington with seasonal vegetables (VG)(VE)
Slow cooked pork belly with an apple crust, roasted vegetables and a cider sauce (GF)

Desserts
Biscoff cheesecake with a toffee sauce
Christmas pudding with brandy sauce (GF)(VG)
A selection of cheese and biscuits (GF)
Chocolate brownie parfait

3 courses £32.00 plus 10% service charge
2 courses £ 25.95 plus 10% service charge

PLEASE NOTE GF (gluten free)/VG (vegetarian)/VE (vegan)

Please request upon ordering

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

Crowthorne foodbank

Current shortages - **Cleaning spray, Hand soap, Instant coffee, pasta sauce, tinned potatoes, tinned tomatoes, washing up liquid, conditioner, hot tinned meat, men's deodorant, shampoo, tinned spaghetti, toothpaste, women's deodorant**



They have plenty of baked beans, dog food, rice, cat food, pasta, toilet roll, tinned tuna.

Note: the foodbank update their needs weekly here:
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.

Upper Room - cupboard clearing

They say that cleanliness is next to godliness so a good sort-out of the large cupboard in the Upper Room surely has to be a task that will elevate us to sainthood!

There is a lot of redundant paperwork in the cupboard and we'd like to sort through it, dispose of what is no longer needed and file the remainder in an order that makes access easy. Sharon made a start but quickly realised this was a job that needed a team.

So, a date for your diaries: **Saturday 23rd January 2pm onwards.**

If you are able to help, please come along and bring a shredder with you if you have one. Refreshments will be provided.

Please let Sharon know if you are able to assist in any way.

S.A.L.T.



During November we continue with our autumn Bible study on the theme **'Lord, teach us to pray' – a series on Prayers of the Bible.**

Due to a number of commitment clashes on a Tuesday evening we are a little behind from what was originally planned, so please see the revised timetable below. Please note that a couple of the sessions have been removed in order that we can begin our Advent Study on the 1st December:

6th November Week 3: The Prayer of Radical Realism
Psalm 13 and Psalm 88 (The Psalms of Lament) – giving permission to express holy complaint, anger, and grief directly to God.

10th November Week 5: The Kingdom Alignment Prayer
Matthew 6:9–13 (The Lord's Prayer) – deconstructing the familiar.

17th November Week 6: The Prayer of Absolute Vulnerability
Matthew 26:36–46 (Jesus in Gethsemane) – the immense love of Christ on display.

24th November NO Bible study as there is a Stewards' meeting that evening

ADVENT STUDY ON ANGELS 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd December

Even if you don't usually join the Bible study, it would be especially good to be able to welcome you to this four-session series on Angels. Whilst we appreciate it can be difficult to commit to an ongoing weekly study, to do so for just the short time of Advent may well be more manageable and is a good way of preparing yourself spiritually for Christmas and the real reason for the season.

If you're not sure if it is quite 'your thing' why not try it one week just to see?

As ever, these studies are open to all. We learn together – none of us has all the answers but together we can discover new truths and rediscover old.

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 meet at 7.45pm for prayer before commencing the study at 8pm. We finish at 9pm.

Please use the following link:

Join Zoom Meeting
https://zoom.us/j/2799549300?pwd=YjVCazFHR0NwZE50OEhaRzhMdm13UT09

Meeting ID: 279 954 9300
Passcode: 3v25BE

Milestone birthday

Ann Wearing is celebrating a very special milestone birthday on 24th November. She unfortunately won't be able to come to the service to be presented with her card and flowers, but we will deliver them to her. Ann, many happy returns of the day and every blessing for your next decade, with much love from your Church family here at SYMC xx
Here is a little prayer for you Ann:

Dear Lord
We thank you for the wonderful gift of this beloved lady as she celebrates her 90th birthday. Please bless her with peace and strength and fill her special day with warmth and happiness. May your loving presence surround her today and always. AMEN

Yes Christmas is nearly here!

Our Christmas Fair will be held in the hall on **Saturday 28th November** in the afternoon and, as last year, Sandhurst Camera Club will be exhibiting in the church itself.

Do come along and support us all!

Do come along, buy stuff, eat stuff, drink stuff and enjoy the photos!

Creative Spirit

Held at Wokingham Methodist Church, Rose Street, Wokingham on the first Wednesday of each month, 10am-12noon (**4th November**)

Creative spirit was set up (in September 2019) as a way to encourage those not familiar with our more traditional style of worship to explore the Christian Faith.

This monthly gathering (held on the first Wednesday) in the Main Hall offers a different and more informal approach to worship using the many and varied creative gifts God has given us.

We welcome all denominations, people of faith and none.

Following a short time of more formal worship we spend the morning exploring God's word through various creative activities. We display our outcomes in Cafe Mosaic, on the display shelves and in 'The Coffee Book'.

New faces are always welcome whether you can stay for the whole morning (10am to 12 noon) or just for a short while.

For any enquiries please contact Jane Bonney.



The Triangle - Christmas Open Afternoon 2026

CHRISTMAS OPEN AFTERNOON

at **THE TRIANGLE**

64 Kingsmead, Farnborough

On Friday 13th November at 3:00 pm to 7:00pm

On the day, we will have lots of wonderful products to see including

- great books and gifts for adults and
- excellent books and gifts for children,
- Christmas Cards,
- Advent Calendars and candles,
- Nativity sets and scenes

and much more...

Refreshments provided!

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 having moved away, we have lost our regular piano player so if you can play an instrument, well, that would be fab!

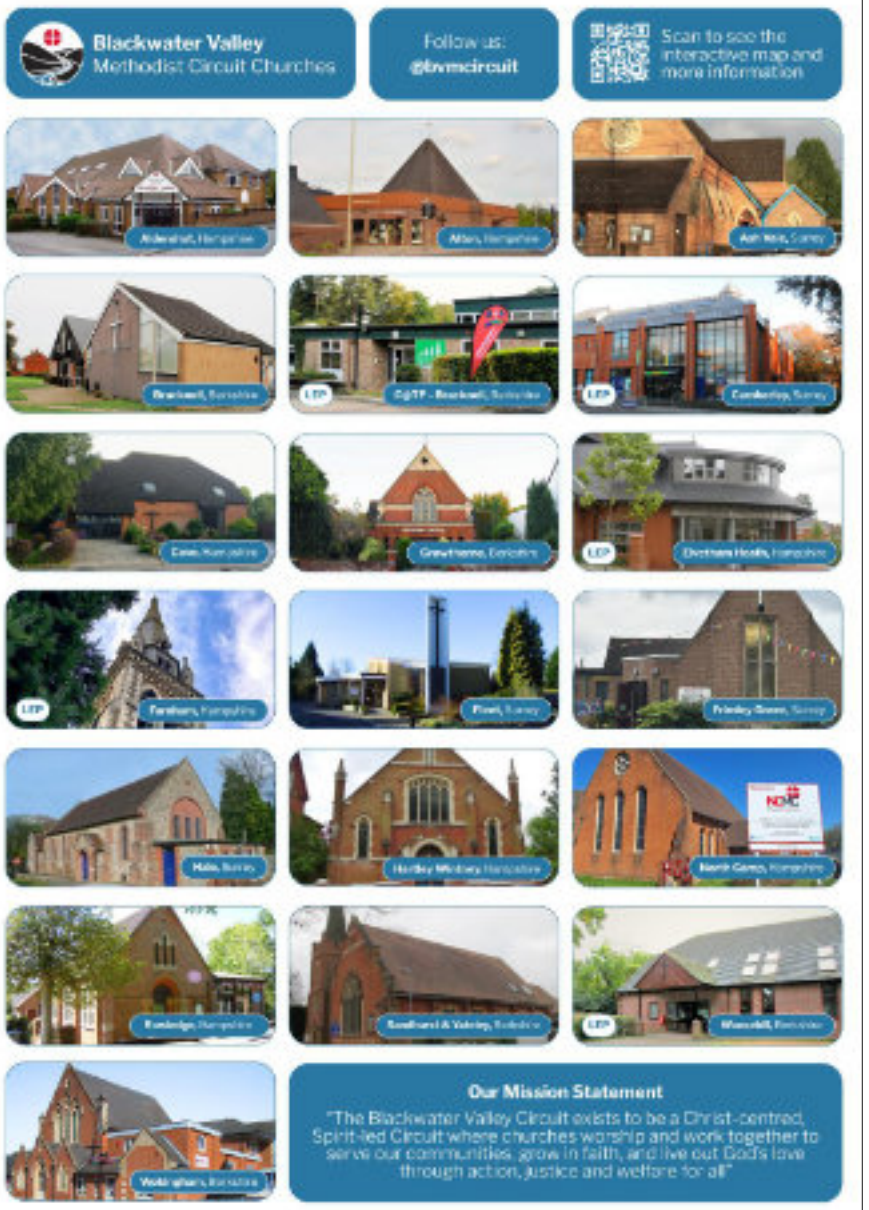
Hotel toiletries

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.

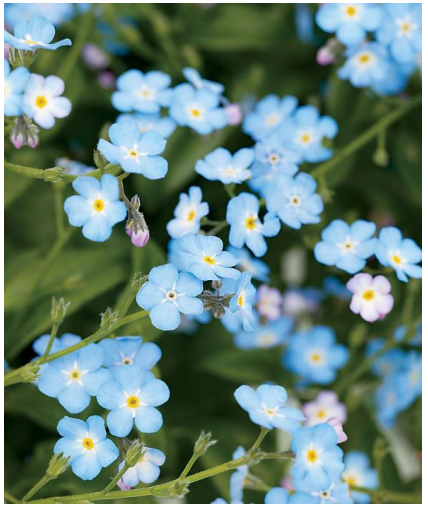
Whitechapel Mission

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

The Blackwater Valley Methodist Circuit churches



Time to Remember



A memorial service to remember loved ones and friends who have died.

A service of music and readings with an opportunity to light a candle and a have a small photograph set on the altar if you wish.

Names of the departed will be readout during service, with the list available from the preceding week so you may add to it.

Sunday 1st November

6.30pm

St George's Church

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 meeting of Rejoice! Will be on **Tuesday 10th November, venue TBA,** unless advised otherwise.

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.

The next date is **Sunday 22nd November** in church

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



The Leprosy Mission Prayer for November

One of the oldest countries in the world, Ethiopia has a long and proud history. Yet today millions here are facing a humanitarian crisis. Climate change, poverty, and violent clashes between armed groups are daily struggles.

Leprosy and disability make life even harder, but across Ethiopia, people affected by the disease are determined to build a better future. Thank you for walking with them in faith and lifting them up in prayer.

See The Leprosy Mission prayers for each week advertised in the Weekly Notices.

5@5: Praying together for Sandhurst

5pm on Thursday 12th November 2026

If you can, please pause and pray for 5 minutes at this time.

November is for many, a time of remembering. We remember those whose lives were lost in conflicts and also loved ones and others, no longer with us; those who have 'gone before'.
As days shorten and weather becomes wintry, we are reminded of our own mortality.
Let us give thanks for God's faithfulness and provision through all 'the changing scenes of life' and for the sure hope we can have in Him
We pray for

- those who are sorrowful at this time.
- those who help and support others though dark days.
- those who assist when a life ends.

We hear the words of Jesus.
"I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die."
John 11: 25-26 (NIV UK)

Eternal God our Father,
Bless, we pray, those who mourn
and all who find these dark days difficult.
May they know the comfort of your presence
and be able to face each new day with hope.
May their memories include joyful times,
may their days be enriched with friendships,
and their lives encircled by your love.
Amen.

Methodist Insurance



For people living with Dementia-Memory loss And their supporter

Daisy Chain Café

Darby Green Centre, Darby Green Road, Blackwater Yateley GU17 0DT

Every Monday 14.00 – 16.00

Except Bank Holidays

FREE TO ATTEND

The Café offers a relaxed, friendly place to exchange ideas with others in similar circumstances along with light refreshments, table activities, crafts, and occasional entertainment. A chance to make new friends and share the support of others.

Large Free Car Park
Stagecoach Bus 3 stops on Darby Green Road

New volunteers always welcome for further information find us on Facebook – Daisy Chain Café Yateley, email daisychaincafe1@gmail.com

Yateley Town Council 01252 872198
Donations welcomed directly or via EasyFundraising.org.uk

Registered Charity 1192818



You are invited to Fleet Methodist Church

You are invited to Fleet Methodist Church on **Saturday 14th November** starting at 11:00 am

Thomas Oborski is a Local Preacher in Training, and to complete one of his modules, has produced a project which he would like to share with us. It is consideration of looking after God's creation. He would love as many of you as possible to attend. Please do try and go along to support Thomas with his training and see the issues that he will be highlighting.

Keg

Climate change

Come to

Fleet Methodist Church on

Saturday 14th November at

11.00a.m

For a time of prayerful

activities focused on the big

questions of today

What can I do to preserve

God's creation?



Sunday 8th November - Remembrance Day and Love Remembered Service

As we have done the last two years, we will NOT be having a morning service on Sunday 8th November but instead will have a 'Love Remembered' service at 3pm to be followed by refreshments.

This allows those who wish to do so to attend the Sandhurst Remembrance Service at 10.45am at Sandhurst Memorial Park or perhaps to watch the televised service from The Cenotaph.

Our afternoon 'Love Remembered' service is an opportunity to remember those loved ones who are no longer with us. We will read out their names and light candles in their memory. There will also be a Liturgy of Remembrance during the service. It is a simple but moving act of worship, about 45 minutes in length. Invitations will be sent to all those who have lost loved ones in the last few years, but anyone is welcome to attend.

On arrival you will be given a card on which to write the name of the person(s) you wish to be remembered and then, when their name is read out are invited to come forward to light a candle for them.

If you are unable to make the service but would still like a name read out, then please let Sharon know before the day and that can be done.

High Cross Book Sale

I went along to the High Cross Book Sale on 17th October and was amazed to see so many books!!!! The hall looked really well attended and I saw another of our church ladies there buying her books! There were refreshments but I didn't stop for those. I left with a bag full of detective books by my favourite author, and some children's books to send out to my grandchildren in Cyprus. The folk at High Cross had worked so hard and put all the books into boxes labelled alphabetically under the author.

The good news is that they raised over £500 - not bad for selling each book for 50p.

They are going to have another book sale, possibly 21st November but they will keep us informed and I will put the new date in the Weekly Notices.

Mary from High Cross has said they are happy to take more books for the next event - so please check your shelves - any books you don't want, just take to church and we will get them to High Cross.

Mary wanted me to thank you all for your book donations.

Keg

ENERGY CONFIDENCE

STAY WARM ● SAVE MONEY ● BE ENERGY SMART

Energy Advice Drop In

Need help with your energy bills?

Drop in to chat to an advisor, no need to book.

Every Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

10am - 12pm

Community Hub, Yateley Industries.

Get in touch:

Call or text us **07827 115977**

Email **energy@yateleyindustries.org**

Pop in and chat to a member of the team.

Quiet Day

under the guidance of

The Revd. Jane Kraft

Three Women Called Mary

Saturday

7th November

10am to 3.30pm

at St George's Church,

Owlsmoor Road, Owlsmoor

GU47 0SS

Bring your own lunch; hot drinks provided

To come email:

wardens@stgeorgeowlsmoor.org.uk



Advent product offers at The Triangle

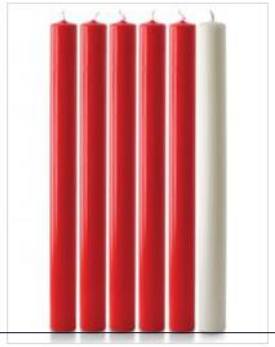
The time of Advent is very near. Therefore we at THE TRIANGLE are getting ready to supply you with Advent products. Here is a sample of what is available but there is a lot more too.

These products are being offered at 5% discount with free delivery.

See www.thetriangle.org.uk for more.

Pictures of Advent Candles and Holders – 5% discount off displayed price

ADVENT CANDLE RANGE



12" x 1" O/D (5 red & 1 white)



12" x 1" O/D (4 purple,1 pink & 1 white)



12" x 1" O/D (6 White)

All of these candles are £18.04 – we're offering you 5% off this price



8" X 2" O/D (3 purple,1 pink & 1 white)



8" X 2" O/D (4 red & 1 white)

These candles are £25.76 - we're offering you 5% off this price

Recycling for Good Causes

We have just received a cheque from this company for £104. This has been earned from all the items you kindly recycled in the 'Recycle for Good Causes' box in the vestibule. Well worth doing!!

However they have informed us that some items donated were not acceptable and in some cases they incur costs involved with disposing of them appropriately, which obviously comes out of the proceeds they send us.

Please continue to recycle but ensure your items are on this list only:

Jewellery & Watches (in any material even if damaged or broken)
Currency – Any coins or banknotes, UK & foreign (even if out of circulation)
Mobile Phones
Cameras (old film, digital and video)
Stamps (Loose, single, albums, first day covers, presentation packs, collections)
Gadgets (Sat-Navs, Ipods, MP3 players, games consoles, games & accessories).

With many thanks Keg

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.

Camberley & District
funeral directors

Here for you when you need us most

- 24 hour service
- Free bereavement advice and support
- Pre-paid inflation proof funeral plans
- Wide choice of memorials for burials

Sandhurst
337 Yorktown Road,
College Town, GU47 0QA
01276 33241

NAFD

www.camberleyanddistrict.co.uk

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.

Current availability:
Mondays—11am to 4:00pm
Tuesdays—11am to 6pm
Wednesdays—12:30pm to 7pm
Thursdays—7:30pm to midnight
Fridays— now available all day
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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Church Stewards - steward@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk

Karen Glossop	Senior Steward
Sandra Wooledge	
Heather Brown	
Matt Rowell	

Sandhurst Churches Together

The next SCT service is **Sunday 15th November** at the Vineyard

Then:
7th December carol singing at the Village Inn
9th December carol singing at The Meadows

17th January 2027 is likely to be Christian Unity - details to follow.

Newsletter and website

Contributions for the **December 2026/January 2027** Newsletter (in church on Sunday 29th November 2026 or website) should be with Sue T by **Sunday November 22nd 2026**

Contributions should either be:
Handed to Sue at Church,
Or emailed to: newsletter@sandhurstyateleymethodist.org.uk

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!

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 held on Thursday November 26th 10.30 - 12 noon.

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

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 November: 15th and 29th.

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

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 **November 19th at Robert's**

Flower Rota

November	
1st	Matt and Helen
8th	Margaret P
15th	-
22nd	Sandra F
29th	-

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 - November 2026



November		
1st	10:30 am	Local Arrangement
8th	10:30 am	No service at SYMC
	3pm	Remembrance and Love Remembered Service
	18:30 pm	SCT service at the Vineyard
15th	10:30 am	Peter Whalley
22nd	10:30 am	Charmaine Dinham
29th	10:30 am	Local Arrangement

For (nearly) up to the minute news, visit our website:
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