



Newsletter

Sunday 14th August 2016

Hope Methodist Church

(Meeting in St Peter's Catholic Church Hall, Rushden)

Welcome to Hope Methodist Church! The Church seeks to serve the towns of Rushden, Higham Ferrers and surrounding villages. If you are here for the first time or just visiting the area you are welcome. Please feel at home and if you would like to know more about the work of the Church, please ask. The service begins with a greeting from a steward. Do join us for coffee after the service.

Service for Sunday

10.45 am Mr Brian Draper

Service for next Sunday

10.45 am Rev Margaret Eales
including Holy Communion

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Please pray for those who are ill, either at home or in hospital, in the church family and those of our members who are in Residential or Nursing Homes.

PRAYER FOR AUGUST

As we prepare to move to our new temporary home, we pray: -

God who sets us on a journey
To discover, dream and grow
Lead us, as you led your people,
In the desert long ago.

End our longing for the old days
Grant the vision that we lack
Once we've started on this journey
There can be no turning back.

Keep us travelling in the knowledge
You are always at our side
Give us courage for the journey
Christ our goal and Christ our Guide

Amen _____

Particularly today we remember:

Patricia and David as we give thanks.

Sue Moore

John Gadsby

Elsie and Tony Boddington and their daughter Alison

Gladys Rich

The Kurdish family

Pastoral Visiting

If anyone is ill from our congregation please let Janet tel:356 501 (our Pastoral Secretary) know so that their pastoral visitor can be informed. If anyone is in hospital, bereaved or would like to see a minister please let Rev Margaret know.

Focus Group Sick Visitor for August - Please let Hazel Swailes (312319) know if anyone from the group needs a visit or a phone call.

WEEKLY PROGRAMME



Monday 15th August

Tuesday 16th August

Wednesday 17th August

9.30am Keep Fit in the Roman Catholic Church Hall

11.00am Service at Rushden Park

Thursday 18th August

10am Coffee and Chat in the Bede House

1.30pm Short Mat Bowls in Wymington Memorial Hall

Friday 19th August

12.30pm Friday Lunches at the Bede House, HF

Saturday, 20th August

Sunday 21st August

10.45 am Morning Worship in the Roman Catholic Church Hall.

Please ask the stewards if you need more details.

FUTURE DIARY DATES.

16th September at 7-30 pm Corby Male Voice Choir will be performing at Irchester Village Hall in aid of the local branch of Parkinson's UK. Tickets are £5 each and can be obtained from Carol Hudson.

Saturday 8th October -Dinner Talk - Harvest in the Tudor Period in Aid of Redevelopment.

Saturday 6th May 2017 Model Railway Exhibition. (Best Fundraiser for redevelopment so far. Please put it in your diary.)



CONGRATULATIONS to David and Patricia on their Golden Wedding anniversary 20th August.

SAD NEWS

Nan du Feu/Cooper died on the 30th July age 101. Many in Higham will remember Alfred and Nan. Alfred came for one year as our minister, Nan was a Local Preacher. They retired to Spalding. The funeral service will be at Spalding on Monday 22nd August at the Broad Street Methodist Church at 11-30am.

NEWS, DIARY DATES & SPECIAL EVENTS

PRAYER HANDBOOKS

The new Prayer Book entitled "Freedom to Share ". The cost per copy is £ 3. 95 (plus postage) or £ 3. 50 if we have 10 or more copies.

If anyone would like one. Please give your name to Patricia Hill before the 12th August. (Money on receipt of the book.)

MISSIONARY BOXES

Missionary boxes will be opened over the next 2 weeks. Please pass any boxes or money to Sally Hudson.

THANK YOU

Thank you from Stephanie and Granville for the 'Love Gifts' contributed at our wedding. The Sanctuary now has a table and six folding chairs and Stepping Stones has a freezer for the guests who move on to independent living. Thank you.

KURDISH REFUGEES

This is the last week that we will be collecting donations for the family. So far nearly £800 has been raised; a truly magnificent effort. Very many thanks to everybody. Those of you who are gift-aiding your donations please give the gift aid forms to Terry to pass on to the Full Gospel Church.

ENVELOPES

The offertory envelopes for next year are now available. If you have not already done so please collect yours from the table at the front. If anyone else would like to have envelopes for next year (beginning September) please talk to Terry. Many of us who pay tax gift-aid our donations and if you would like to do this also, again please talk to Terry (or ring 01933-318901). This scheme costs you nothing and does not involve having to deal with the Inland Revenue; just completing a form with your name and address from the church. But it means that we can claim an extra 25% of your donations from the tax man.

MOVING ON

As preparations are being made to move to our new premises and you are concerned about getting there, please speak to a steward. Cars will be going from Rushden and there is a bus service that fits in with the timing of our morning service.