Union Street Methodist Church, Maidstone

Superintendent Minister: Rev Bonni-Belle Pickard

Sunday 22 July, 10.30am: Service led by Don Brand

THIS MORNING'S HYMNS: all from Singing the Faith		
76	103	664
695	707	

Bible readings: Deuteronomy 24 vv 19 – 22; Luke 8 vv 40 – 42, 49 – 56

Let us remember in our prayers: any friends in the congregation experiencing bereavement, including family and friends of Raj Kesur. Other friends we think of: Ada Allwright, Mary Rees, Doreen Arguile, Jo Graham, Michael Gillett, Shirley Arnold, Stuart and Chris Goldfinch, Pauline Brinklow, and any other members of the congregation with health problems. We continue to pray also for any friends in residential homes, including Tyrone Rees.

Notices

There is to be a meeting of the Welcome Stewards today, at noon. Apologies for the late notice.

Spring Clean for the Kitchen on Wednesday 8 August - we would welcome help for this annual job to get the Kitchen set up for September, starting at 9.30am. Tea and coffee (cold drink, if weather still hot) will be provided. Thanks. Norma.

New Church Website

Union Street Methodist Church has a new website: www.usmc.org.uk Our website has two main purposes:

- 1. To allow us to communicate better within the church
- 2. To let people from outside the church get a glimpse of what we offer and forge links outreach!

Try the new website out and tell me what you think.

Alan Townend (admin@usmc.org.uk)

Fundraising Trustee – voluntary role within Maidstone Churches Winter Shelter. MCWS is a coalition of churches and volunteers from across the community, supported by Maidstone Borough Council, Kent County Council and local agencies to offer evening hospitality and overnight shelter to homeless people in the coldest months. Further aims of the project are: to support homeless people to find long-term accommodation, resisting dependency on the shelter; and to work in partnership with other agencies providing support for homeless people.

This is a challenging and fulfilling opportunity; experience of fundraising for other charities or similar organisations is important for this role. A knowledge of the services available to homeless people is an advantage. You will need to have the ability and

enthusiasm to research funding; experience of fundraising for other charities; a knowledge of the services available to homeless people is an advantage.

To register your interest and to arrange an informal discussion with a current Trustee please contact us by email at: mcwsoffice@maidstoneshelter.org.uk, by post at MCWS, 6 Buckland Road, Maidstone ME16 0SL, or call the office on 01622 296 450.

Service Next Sunday, 10.30am: Sectional Service at Tonbridge Road, led by Rev Bonni-Belle Pickard