



Union Street Methodist Church

Church Notices

Superintendent Minister:

Rev Bonni-Belle Pickard (07590 564477)

Sunday 21st October: Rev. Bonni-Belle Pickard

Messy Church

The preacher next Sunday, 28 October, will be Karen Willing

Today's hymns are:

STF: 108 82 (v1) 92 and) Store Gud (words on the back of these notices)

Today's readings are:

Ephesians 5: 8-14 (Bonni-Belle)

Job 38:1-7, 34-41

Psalms 104: 1-9, 24, 35



Welcome

A very warm welcome to everyone worshipping with us today, and especially to those who are visitors. We hope you will stay and join us at the back of the church for tea and coffee and a chat.

 * **Future Notices** *
 * Please send items for next week's notices to *
 * notices@usmc.org.uk by 6pm.on Thursday 25th October. *
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Notices for this week

Kent & Medway NHS Trust invite those who are interested to meet the Chaplaincy Team on Tuesday 23rd October, 12pm - 2pm at the Lakeside Lounge, Kent & Medway Social Care Partnership Trust, Hermitage Lane, Maidstone ME19 9PH. This event affords the chance to learn about how the Chaplaincy team seeks to support those with mental illnesses before they return to their home communities. For more information contact kmpitchaplaincy@nhs.net / 01622 723215 or see their poster on our church website. Please RSVP if you are planning to attend.

Messy Church takes place on Tuesday 23rd October from 3pm. Do encourage any families with children to come along. The theme will be Harvest, and the cost is £1 per child.

Centrepoint AGM is on Wednesday 24th October at 7.45 pm followed by coffee, cake and chat.

A Remembering Service will be held at the church on Sunday 28th October at 4pm

Help Needed for the Christmas Fayre

We need more stall helpers please for the Christmas Fayre on Saturday 24th November.

Also helpers to set up and take down tables.

Items needed for the Fayre include costume jewellery, Christmas gifts, wrapping paper, cakes and preserves.

These items can be bought in every week from now until the event.

Please speak to Lin, Maxine, Dianne or Maureen and your items can be stored in the Community Centre for you.

Many thanks

The Fundraising Team



Looking Ahead

- 7th Nov** The Ghost Train at the Hazlitt Theatre. Jan Hinchliffe is selling tickets for that evening's performance in aid of the Winter Shelter. Tickets are £14 each, of which £5.90 goes to the Shelter.
- 14th Nov** Centrepint: Through the Decades 7.45 pm
- 24th Nov** Christmas Fayre 10 am - 2 pm
- 8th Dec** Christmas Music afternoon 4 - 6 pm

Regular Events

Tuesdays: 11 - 11.30 am Prayer Group in the Foyer
11.30 am - 1.30 pm Frontline Meeting –with Thought for the day at 1.15. Bring your own lunch. Tea and coffee are provided

Wednesdays 3.30 onwards Youth Drop In in the Church Centre

Find us on Facebook at **ydimaidstone** or on **www.youthdropinmaidstone.co.uk**

Thursdays 10 am - Noon Thursday Market in the Church. Refreshments available

There are also House Groups which meet regularly. For details speak to Richard Vincent, Eve Orry or Peter Herrin. Ask a Steward if you need to be introduced to a House Group co-ordinator.



Prayer

Let us remember especially in our prayers:

Any friends in the congregation experiencing bereavement, along with any of our members and friends who are suffering from health problems, We continue to pray also for any friends in residential homes.



O Store Gud (How Great Thou Art)

Carl Boberg 1885

1

O great good God, I see the world around me,
that you've created with authority,
I see your wisdom guiding all creation,
all needs are met by your abundant hand.

Then sings my soul in voice of grateful praise:

O my great God! O my great God!

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O my great God! O my great God!

2

When in the storm, I hear the voice of thunder
And blades of light flash cross the darkened sky;
When rain is cold but then the sun emerges,
A bow of the promise shines before my eyes;
Then sings my soul ... etc.

3

When summer winds blow over hills and fields,
When flowers grow along the river's edge,
When pine trees stand in silent testimony
With forest shades along the darkened ledge;
Then sings my soul

4

When all the envelopes of time are falling,
And as I watch, my faith is changing, too.
And then I hear beyond the ages calling,
my spirit saved to join eternity.

Then sings my soul:

Thank you, good God! Thank God!

(Tack, gode Gud, tack, gode Gud!)