

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH, RINGWOOD
(METHODIST/UNITED REFORMED)

T.R.I.N.I.T.Y. – Together, Renew, Inspire, Nourish, Inform, Transform, You.

NOTICES for Sunday 1st, 8th and 15th April 2018 (3 weeks)

We welcome everyone today especially any visitors. Please make yourselves known to the steward on duty and sign our visitors book. Please join us for refreshments after worship, we look forward to meeting you.

Hallelujah - Christ is Risen

SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday 1st April Easter Day	10.45 am	All age celebration of Easter with Communion led by Mrs Louise Shrubsole. Communion Offertory – Julia's House
Sunday 8th April	10.45 am	Morning Worship at Trinity Church led by Revd Andy Warren
Sunday 15th April	10.45 am	Morning Worship at Trinity Church led by Margery Barson
Sunday 22nd April	10.45 am	Alternative Worship at Trinity Church led by Revd Mike Shrubsole
	6.00 pm	Evening Reflective Communion at the Wesley Church led by Revd Mike Shrubsole

REGULAR MEETINGS

Sunday	CHOIR meets before worship on all Sundays except 4 th Sunday of month (and on Thursday morning)
Monday	MONDAY LUNCHEAS at Trinity 12.00 noon. Open to all – just come along Cost £4.00 Coffee served in the Foyer from 11.00 am. All welcome for a hot tasty meal and good chat. BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP usually meets at Wesley Centre on the second Monday evening of each month at 7.30pm. Next Meeting 9 th April. Please take a leaflet from the vestibule which describes the philosophy of the group. A welcoming and friendly group.
Tuesday	TRINITY GUILD meets at Trinity 2.30 on 2 nd and 4 th Tuesdays. Next meeting Tuesday 10 th April – Ollie Clamp will come and share his experiences of 'My expedition to Peru'.
Wednesday	COFFEE MORNING at Wesley Centre 10.30 am to 12.00 noon, all welcome, just drop in for a chat. This is a great opportunity to have fellowship in a relaxed atmosphere. LITTLE LAMBS PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP – 10.00 to 11.30 am Trinity Centre. Term time only. A warm welcome awaits, with opportunities for chat and play and a welcome cuppa. T.R.I.N.I.T.Y - together in a study group – The Holy Habits Course will start again on 18 th April and follow on weekly. It restarts on chapter 8 entitled Biblical teaching. Please refer to the outline programme. Please do consider joining in.
Thursday	PRAYER MEETING for Pastoral Concerns – meets once a month – 10.00am Trinity Vestry – to pray for concerns within and connected to the church fellowship. Next meeting - 26 th April CHOIR - 10.30 – 11.30 monthly choir rehearsal at Trinity– first Thursday of Month (and Sunday mornings) . Just come and enjoy singing. MUSIC and SINGING GROUP 7.30 at the Wesley Centre, on Thursday preceding 4 th Sunday.

Prayer is an important part of our Christian Life - We invite you to prayerfully use the notices and Travelling Together in your personal prayers. Prayers from the vestry prayer book and the vestibule board are also used in Worship. Please remember there is a **church prayer chain** – first point of contact is Louise Shrubsole – 473407.

The **April Prayer letter** is available from David Daniels for a paper copy or by email from Louise.

Please continue to pray for Carol Swift who continues to improve. She has been transferred to Dorchester Hospital where more specialist dialysis treatment is available. We continue to remember her and her family in our prayers.

Please pray for the Executive Council which meets on Tuesday 17th April.

ADVANCE/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION and DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

A VERY BIG CONGRATULATIONS!! Trinity United Church team are very proud winners of the Greyfriars Annual Quiz. This is a tremendous feat – Nick Fernyhough, the long standing team captain tells us that the Cup was last won by us in 2007, although they have made it to the final since. Huge congratulations to the whole team, Nick, Kevin May and Ron Toft.

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH AGM was held on Tuesday 13th March with a disappointing 15 people in attendance. We were able to celebrate the life of the church through reviewing the comprehensive Book of Reports and a THANK YOU is extended to those who contributed. The list of post holders and members of committees were reviewed, again all were sincerely thanked for their service and hard work. Please take this as a personal ‘thank you’. We welcome Rosie Toft to the Executive Council. A list of vacant posts is being compiled and encouraging all to consider how they might serve the work of the church.

CHURCH CHARITABLE GIVING – YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO NOMINATE CHARITIES.

One outcome of the AGM was to invite all church members and adherents to nominate Charities for our Charitable Giving for the next Financial Year September 2018 to August 2019. To enable this to happen nomination sheets will be put up on the board outside the Vestry to receive your nominations. These will be reviewed at the Executive Council in mid-April and brought to the next Church Meeting in May. To enable your thinking please note our Charitable giving falls into 3 categories: - 1. Tithed Giving, which in previous years has amounted to about £3000 – this amount has been split between 10 charities under the Categories – Methodist focus, URC focus, General focus. 2. Monthly Communion Offertory – 12 charities selected 3. Special Services to include Harvest 2018 and Christmas 2018. It should all become clear when you look at the nomination sheets! **Please do take time to consider this, please do not assume that because we have given financially in the past to a charity we will continue to do so – please nominate them.** Last year’s sheet will be available for reference.

TRAVELLING TOGETHER - The April/May edition will be available from Sunday 25th March. Please make every effort to ensure copies are taken to those unable to come and pick one up. A ‘thank you’ to Pastoral Visitors. We assume copies are getting to where they are needed as they disappear fast! – please ask John if you need more copies.

If you have read your copy of the Travelling Together hopefully you will have seen a Methodist Regional course entitled **DEALING WITH DEATH**, is being held at our Church. Apart from being free, with a free lunch the speakers promise to be excellent. Registration is by email oloughlink@methodistchurch.org.uk however Louise is willing to do a group booking. If you would like to go please sign up on the sign up sheet on the outside vestry board by 23rd April. The course blurb says ‘we will be looking at attitudes to death in contemporary society and seeing how these might present both challenges and opportunities for churches. We will be sharing some ideas about projects and resources for helping people talk about death’.

Monday 2nd April, 7.00 to 8.30 at Trinity Church

Three Fellowship nights of AA, Alanon

This is a public information evening just come and listen and learn about addiction and how it affects the whole family.

We have three speakers, one counsellor from a local treatment centre, one member of AA telling his story and one member of Alanon telling her story.

All of these support groups meet regularly on Trinity United premises both at the Trinity Centre and Wesley Centre

CHURCH WEEKEND AWAY 2019 Friday 10th to Sunday 12th May with option to stay on until Monday 13th. We are planning a weekend away to Sidmouth for 2019 and booking needs to be made by end of April to secure our rooms. If you are interested please contact Pauline Sunderland for full details.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - Grandma’s Attic Sale is coming again on April 14th 10.00 am till 12.00 noon, at Crowe WI Hall with proceeds to Crowe Methodist Church. Always a fun event with an opportunity for a chat and cake as well.

Please keep reading the **NOTICE BOARD** for details about activities in other churches in the area and around the Methodist Circuit and URC Synod.

RECEIVE E-MAILED COPIES OF FORTNIGHTLY NOTICES – if you would like a copy of the notices emailed to you - please email Louise your email address – it will only be used for this purpose. This will help cut down on paper use.

NEXT FORTNIGHTLY NOTICES will cover 22nd and 29th April Items to be included on the next issue to be emailed to Louise at: louiseshrubsole@gmail.com or left in the folder in the office **by Wednesday 18th April** Thank you