

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH, RINGWOOD
(METHODIST/UNITED REFORMED)

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

NOTICES for Sunday 4th and 11th February 2018

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.

SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday 4th February	10.45	Morning Worship at Trinity Church led by Revd Linda Chester
Sunday 11th February	10.45	Morning Worship at Trinity Church to include Pastoral Visitor Rededication and Communion. Worship led by Revd Mike Mike Shrubsole. Communion Charity – Nightstop
	Followed by	Congregational Church Meeting and Bring and Share Lunch.
Sunday 18th February		Morning Worship for the first Sunday in Lent at Trinity Church led by Nicola Dunn

REGULAR MEETINGS

Sunday	CHOIR meets before worship on all Sundays except 4 th Sunday of month (and on Thursday morning)
Monday	MONDAY LUNCHESES 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 12 th February. 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 Feb 13 th Ron Toft invites you to go around the world in 30 minutes. Feb 27 th – a craft afternoon – with something for everyone.
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 – full details are available for the Holy Habits Study Course. This is now running weekly – next date 7 th 2.30 to 4.30 at Trinity Church. From 14 th the Lent Course begins.
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 - 22 nd February 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 2 nd and 4 th Sundays.

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

With great sadness we share the news of the death of **Norman Carpenter** on Monday 22nd January 2018. The family wish to inform you of the funeral arrangements which will be held on Tuesday 13th February. They warmly invite you to attend. 11.45 am – Service of Committal at Bournemouth Crematorium followed at 1.00 pm by a Service of Thanksgiving at Trinity United Church and refreshments in the Trinity Centre Hall afterwards. Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with Rosalie, Meriel and Steve and grandchildren James and Christopher.

We also pray for the Property and Finance Committee as they meet on Thursday 15th February. We give thanks for the redecorated Wesley Centre and the positive witness it gives to the community.

ADVANCE/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION and DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TRAVELLING TOGETHER - The February/March edition has been published and by the numbers of magazines now taken most people will have received their copy. The stock of copies will be kept up, keep watching out if you still need a copy or ask in the office. We try only to copy the number needed. We hope you have enjoyed this Lenten themed edition – feedback is always appreciated. (Louise)

RE DEDICATION OF PASTORAL VISITORS - as part of Sunday Worship on 11th February. Please make every effort to attend to show the gratitude we give to these roles and for the support that is received.

CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETING followed by **SHARED LUNCH** – Sunday 11th February. Please make every effort to attend this meeting to help shape the way forward for our church community. Agendas will be available from 4th February. Please do stay for lunch and use this time for an opportunity to chat and support one another – the sign up list for the bring and share lunch is up on the board.

HOLY HABITS – STUDY SESSIONS This is proving to be an exciting and stimulating book to study. Please pick up a leaflet detailing the dates. The sessions are weekly on Wednesday afternoons from 2.30 to 4.00 up to the 7th February and then there will be a gap for the Churches Together Lent Course.

CHURCHES TOGETHER LENT COURSE - NEW INFORMATION – 40 STORIES of HOPE

Churches Together in Ringwood and District are organising a Lent Bible Study Course. There will be a Monday evening session at 7.30 pm (dates 19th and 26th Feb, 5th, 12th, 19th March) or a Wednesday afternoon at 2.30pm (21st and 28th Feb, 7th, 14th and 21st March) so take your pick. The venue and leaders move around. Details will be provided on a leaflet. The course will follow – 40 Stories of Hope – testimonies from prisoners and ex-offenders together with studies on Marks gospel. This spiritual journey through Lent will offer much to draw on to refresh and encourage our faith.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - TRINITY UNITED CHURCH AGM will be held on Tuesday 13th March at Trinity Church. In anticipation of this the **BOOK OF REPORTS** needs to be prepared. This year Louise has offered to receive reports, to collate and typeset them. If you are a leader of an organisation please can you prepare your report for your area of work in the life of the church. **IMPORTANT - LAST DATE FOR REPORTS – Sunday 18th February** – either a paper copy left in the office for the attention of Louise or email to louiseshrubsole@gmail.com.

A HUGE THANK YOU - to all those from Trinity Church and Crowe who helped to make the Churches Together Social such a great event – it had a great Caribbean flavour. The profit of £130 was forwarded to Christian Aid for their work in Caribbean. A very well done.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN RINGWOOD AND DISTRICT – would like you to join with them to **LOVE RINGWOOD**. With the Valentine theme in mind we will be sharing the Love of Jesus with our community by handing the 'Father's Love letter' – wonderfully crafted piece of writing using a multitude of bible verses. You are invited to join in – Meet outside the Ringwood Gateway for either of or both session - 10.30 am – 12 noon and 1.30 to 3.00 pm.

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

Sue and Cliff would like to inform you that the Saturday lunches are recommencing again on 10th February at Colehill Methodist Church – see poster for details

As part of her training, Maggie Larkin will be leading the Healing and Renewal Service at Crowe on Thursday 15th February. You will be warmly welcomed.

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. Items to be included on the **next notices Sunday 18th February** to be emailed to Louise at: louiseshrubsole@gmail.com or left in the folder in the office **by Wednesday 14th February** Thank you