



# Stratford-upon-Avon Methodist Church

## Morning Worship – One World Week

22<sup>nd</sup> October 2017 @ 10.30am

**Preacher:** Revd. Ian Mead  
Cooley

**Organist:** Anna

### Welcome and call to worship

**Hymn: STF 55** “Immortal, invisible, God only wise,”

**Hymn: STF 18** “Be still and know that I am God.”

### Opening prayers

### Introduction to theme

**Readings:** Jeremiah 29, vv 1-7    reader Malcolm Smith  
                  Luke 10, vv 25-37    reader Janet Mee

**Sermon:** ‘My world depends on us’

**Hymn: STF 124** “For the fruits of all creation,”

**Explanation of the ‘Big Shift’** -- Peter Evans

**Prayers of intercession**    led by Brenda Birnie

**Hymn: STF 249** “Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,”

### Offering

**Hymn: STF 693** “Beauty for brokenness,”

### Blessing

# **STRATFORD METHODIST CHURCH NOTICES**

“Our vision is to share the good news of Jesus Christ with those around us and to provide a place of witness for all people.”

## **WELCOME TO ALL**



Please join us for refreshments after the service.

## **Dates for this week.**

**Today** 3pm – 5pm Youphonix music group meets this afternoon. We welcome any young people year 6 or above - you don't need to play an instrument; just come along.

**Monday** 10am - 12 noon Monday Makers.

**Monday** 10am - 12 noon Card Craft.

**Monday** 2.30pm Bible study in the lounge.

**Monday** 4pm Beetle Drive. £5 for adults, £2.50 for children. Burgers or hot dogs, home-made biscuits and drinks. Ages 6 to 96, tickets available from Shirley Dumper or pay at the door.

**Tuesday** 10am Prayer group.

**Tuesday** 10am - 12 noon Knit, Stitch and Natter.

**Friday** 2pm - 4pm Cake and Company.

## **Further Notices**

Thank you to all who supported us by attending the recent Ballard Singers concert – it was an extremely enjoyable evening, and £393 was raised for Action for Children.

**Wednesday November 1st** 1pm The funeral service for Maisie Faulkener will take place in the church.

**Saturday November 4th** 3pm Skittles with light refreshments. This is the last money raiser for Restore - .£5, and half price for school children. It is great fun for all ages and perfectly possible to bowl from a sitting position as well as standing. We aim to score a thousand skittles in as short a time as possible

**Sunday November 5th** Ivy Calvert wishes to invite members of the church family and friends to an afternoon gathering with entertainment -- “WELCOME TO CHRISTMAS” from 3.30pm to 5.00pm in The New Room. If you would like to attend you are asked to contact Ivy on 01789 267396 by October 23<sup>rd</sup> to reserve a space and for catering numbers. Donations in aid of ACTION FOR CHILDREN.

**Remembrance Sunday** – We shall be thinking about the second world war so if anyone has had the war impacted on their family in any way, ie Blitz, evacuees, loss, etc will you please let a steward know.

Lilian Fitton has a preaching appointment for which she needs transport - 19<sup>th</sup> November to Willersey. If you are able to help Lilian please speak to her or telephone on 01789 294085.

Our collection of second hand books is getting rather depleted, and as we are having a book stall at the bazaar will you start bringing in books please. We also need 200 prizes for the tombola stall. Soup will be served for lunch, and can be brought in any time and stored in the freezer.

### **A circuit prayer from Evesham**

Ever faithful and unchanging God, we give you thanks for sending us Jesus to show us your love and reveal to us your nature. We pray especially this day for

our troubled world, with so many struggling to survive because of endless wars, hunger, thirst, homelessness and lack of adequate medical care. We also remember before you all those known to us who are unwell and wishing they could be present with us. May they know your comforting presence. We ask all these our prayers in the name of Jesus, our risen Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October 10.30am      Worship led by Revd. Audrey Simpson

**NEXT WEEK'S NOTICES:** to Gillian Bowers  
email:-[gillianbathome@hotmail.com](mailto:gillianbathome@hotmail.com) by WEDNESDAY please.

**Stratford Methodist Church website :** [www.stratforduponavonmethodist.org.uk](http://www.stratforduponavonmethodist.org.uk)

**Stratford & Evesham Circuit website:** [www.stratfordandeveshamcircuit.org.uk](http://www.stratfordandeveshamcircuit.org.uk)

**Birmingham District website:** [www.birminghammethodist.org.uk](http://www.birminghammethodist.org.uk)

e&oe