



# Stratford-upon-Avon Methodist Church

## Morning Worship with Holy Communion

15<sup>th</sup> April 2018 @ 10.30am

**Preacher: Revd. Audrey Simpson**

**Organist: Peter Cox**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Hymn: STF 317 'At the name of Jesus'

Prayers (MWB pages 160-161)

Collect for third Sunday of Easter (MWB page 541)

Graham Collins

Welcome into membership of Vida Pearce

Hymn: STF 588 'I come with joy, a child of God,'

Readings: Luke 24, vv 13-35 reader Barbara Haggett  
vv 36-48 reader Brenda Birnie

Hymn: STF 297 'Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.'

Sermon

Prayers of intercession and the Lord's prayer (MWB pages 165-166)

The Peace (MWB page 168)

Hymn: STF 592 'Let us break bread together with the Lord;'

Offering

Holy Communion (MWB pages 168-172)

Hymn: STF 526 'Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,'

Blessing (MWB page 173)

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## **STRATFORD METHODIST CHURCH NOTICES**

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

### **WELCOME TO ALL**



**Please join us for refreshments after the service.**

### **Dates for the coming week.**

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

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

**Monday** 2.30pm Bible study in Side Room 1.

**Monday** 4.30pm A Thanksgiving Service for the life of Mr Alan Hunt will be held in church.

**Tuesday** 10am Prayer group.

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

**Tuesday** 12.30pm "**Cameo**" - come and meet each other. Henley Church is restarting its lunches – every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in the month. Either bring a packed lunch or there is a good chip shop next door; stay on for activities if you wish afterwards (bring your own knitting, colouring, painting, jigsaws, crocheting etc.). There is a good bus service from Stratford (X20).

**Wednesday** 9.30am - 11.30am Wesley Toddler Group.

**Wednesday** 7.30pm - a meeting to plan the next 'Own Arrangement Service'. Please come with your ideas. Everyone welcome.

**Friday** 9.30am - 11.30am Wesley Toddler Group.

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

## **Further Notices**

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May** We will be serving a Pheasant Casserole at our Friendship Lunch after the morning service, all are welcome. Please sign up on the list in the Wesley Hall indicating any special dietary requests and where you may be able to help with setting up, vegetable prep, clearing, washing tablecloths etc.

### **Appeal for donations for Stratford Foodbank**

In need of:- tinned meat (especially tinned ham and corned beef), carrots, sweetcorn, rice, instant mash, savoury snacks, powdered milk, custard, rice pudding, shaving foam, disposable razors, men's deodorant, washing up liquid, washing powder / liquid.

Donations can be left in the Foodbank collection baskets at Morrisons, Tesco and Waitrose.

### **A circuit prayer from Bidford**

We continue to pray for the people of Syria and those affected by violence and hate. We give thanks for the 20 years of the Peace Agreement in Northern Ireland.

Dear Lord, as we reflect on the pain and the joy of Eastertide, let us remember that you are always with us, through both our sad and happy times. As we journey on together through the rest of the year we are confident that you are there for all people, not just guiding but walking alongside us, our risen, living Saviour. Amen.

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 10.30am

Worship will be led by Mr Steve Barritt

**NEXT WEEK'S NOTICES:** to Liz Walker. email:-  
[liz.walker10@btinternet.com](mailto:liz.walker10@btinternet.com) by WEDNESDAY please

**Stratford Methodist Church website:**  
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