

## THIS WEEK, beginning Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024

Tuesday	6.30pm	Wives & Friends Meal In
Saturday	10.00 – 12.00	Wesley's – NM Rotary Club
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Morning Worship led by Revd Denis Vernon
	After service	Church Council Meeting

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### Prayer of the Week

Caring and loving God,  
as a blast of cold weather hits us, we pray for all sleeping rough on the streets of our borough, and those struggling to heat their homes amid the cost-of-living crisis.  
In the midst of this, may this church be a place of warmth and welcome for all who might need it. Amen

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### Hymns and Readings for this morning's service

4	Father in Heaven
673	Will you leave yourself behind
462	come with me, come wander
489	Knowing you
Readings	Jonah 3: 1 - 5, 10 (OT page 895) Mark 1: 14 – 20 (NT page 37)

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### Memorial service for Stella Chattle

Stella's Memorial service will be held here on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 2.00pm. There will be a private family cremation the week before.  
Jo and Nicky would like as many of you as possible to come wearing bright colours to celebrate a life well lived.

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### Spotlight

Please send me any content for the February edition by the end of Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January. Thank you. Sarah

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### Church Council

The next meeting of the church council will take place in the Sanctuary next Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January after morning worship. Please send any apologies to Richard Bland. Please also send Richard any reports you wish distributed before the meeting. All are welcome to attend.

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### Gifts and Talents

Following on from our Superintendent Vindra's service last Sunday about being called to serve God, please think and pray on how you are being called to serve in our church.

Vindra also mentioned this training in March.

Dear Friends,

As you are aware the Revd Dr Mark Wakelin is retiring in the summer. Mark and his wife Judith fill a number of appointments on the preaching plan. With their departure from the circuit, I envisage that churches will have to do many more local arrangements.

There is a need to train and support people to take on this truly rewarding role. Is this something you would like to explore? We have just done the Covenant service and promised to serve God, wherever he has placed us no matter the cost. Is God calling you?

On Saturday 23 March from 1.00 to 4.00 pm in the afternoon we will be providing training on how to put together a local arrangement, where to find resources. We will also be doing some voice training. This will take place at Chessington Methodist Church.

Please can you save the date and contact me if you are interested. More information will be available in due course.

Whatever time you sacrificially give to God, he will bless extravagantly!

Blessings, Vindra



This week's flowers have been donated by John Tarrant, and arranged by Sue Duckering.

## Week of prayer for Christian unity January 18 – 25 at Surbiton MC

A reminder of the invitation from Surbiton Hill to join in half an hour of prayer at various prayer stations. This is an opportunity to spend time with God and to listen to him.

Here are the dates: Monday 22 January to Wednesday 24 January

Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	12.00noon to 9.00pm (beginning with a soup and roll lunch)
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	9.00am to 9.00pm
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	9.00am to 12.00 noon

let us honour God with prayer and seek his vision and direction for us.

For those who are housebound then praying at home is wonderful but if you are able, it would be good to have a physical presence in the church throughout this time.

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### 2024 Lent Book Club at CMC

You are invited to join us on Wednesdays during Lent this year, to read and discuss Marcus J. Borg's book 'Meeting Jesus in Mark'  
Chessington Methodist Church Parlour, Church Lane  
7.30 – 9.00pm.

The Introductory session will be an opportunity to hear about the book and 'sign up', books currently cost £9.99 from Amazon. Mark will order copies for anyone expressing interest on 31<sup>st</sup> January.

31st January – Introduction to the Course  
21st February  
28th February  
6th March  
20th March  
27th March

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### Ash Wednesday Services 14th February

7.30pm at Chessington MC led by Revd Mark Wakelin  
7.30pm at New Malden MC led by Revd Dr Karl Rutlidge

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## Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024

10.30am All Age Worship led by Mrs Jilly Bridges

### WELCOME

It is good to have you with us today, sharing in our Worship. If you are a visitor, new to the area, or just beginning to attend this Church, we hope you will feel at home, and that you will come again.

Tea or coffee is served in the Welcome Area (Wesley's) after Morning Worship. Please stay so that we can get to know one another.

So that we may keep in touch, please fill in your details on the Welcome card in the church chairs.

Large print hymn books and Korean-English Bibles are available:

한영성경을 사용하고 싶으시면 안내하시는 분에게 이야기해 주세요.

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