

Regular Events @ UMC

- Sundays** **Morning Worship** - 10:45 am. A warm welcome is offered at our weekly worship service to new members, visitors and regular attendees alike. After the service there's coffee, discussion and fellowship in the Wesley Room.
- Tuesdays** **Kiddiwinks** - 10:00 am to 11:30 am in the Wesley Room at UMC during term-time, where parents, carers and toddlers are invited for fun and play.
- Wednesdays** **Home Group** - 7:30 pm Bible, social and topical discussion together with friendship and fellowship, interspersed with social events involving food and drink! New people welcome at any time, just speak to a steward for more information.
- Thursdays** **Methodartz** - 9.30 am - An art group for all abilities, led by Helen Chadband. Everyone welcome!
- Fridays** **Prayer Meeting at UMC** - 9.30 - 10.00 am. All welcome.
10.00 - 11.30 am - Coffee at the Crossroads in the Wesley Room.
- Saturdays** **Men's Breakfast** - Second Saturday of the month - 8.00 for 8.15 am. Phone Geoff Thompson (01572 821560) to book.

Other items @ UMC

Requests/Prayers: Please pass any special requests for prayers that you would like included in a service to John Allen (01572 747441).

Worship Recordings: A weekly recording is made of the service. If you know anyone who might want to listen to this, please see the steward after the service.

Collections: A reminder about the on-going recycling collections we have in Church:

- Stamps, foreign coins and postcards for the Leprosy Mission.

A hearing loop operates in the main Church and in the Wesley Room. Please switch your hearing aid to its 'T' setting to make use of this facility. Items for Weekly News to be given to Nigel Buckley (01572 820551 or email: nigelabuckley@tiscali.co.uk) - Copy deadline: Thursday evening.



Our mission is to share the love of Christ through commitment, and support of each other and all in the wider community.

Uppingham Methodist Church



Weekly News for 15th October

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This Week - Sunday 15th October

- Sun. 15 Oct. Morning Service** - 10.45 am - We offer a warm welcome to visitors and invite you to join us for tea or coffee in the Wesley Room after our service. We welcome back our former minister, Revd Ian Pruden (2002 - 2006) to lead one of our Bicentenary Services this morning. **Steward:** Carl.
- Weds. 18 Oct. House Group** - 7:30 at The Orchard, Station Road, Doug and Margaret Stacey's
- Thurs. 19 Oct. Thursday Group** - 2.00 to 3.15 pm. For more information, please see John Allen.
- Fri. 20 Oct. Prayer Group** - 9.30 till 10.00 am in the Chapel.
Coffee at the Crossroads - 10.00 till 11.30 am in the Wesley Room.
Bicentenary Exhibition Open - 10.30 am to 4.00 pm.
- Sat. 21 Oct. Bicentenary Exhibition Open** - 10.30 am to 4.00 pm.
Bicentenary Lecture - 5.30 pm - 'Heritage and Mission' - To be given by Jo Hibbard, *Director of Engagement for the Methodist Church*.
Afternoon tea will be served at 4.00 pm, before the lecture. A retiring collection will be taken. All welcome, but numbers required for catering (01572 821015).

Copies of the Minutes of the last Church Council meeting are now available in the foyer, for those who don't receive them by email.

Hold off buying all your Christmas presents - The Bicentenary Calendar, based on the Art Display, will be available soon! Please sign the form on the Wesley Room noticeboard if you wish to reserve a copy. The price is likely to be around £7.50 to £8.00.

Light from Light - Somewhat reluctantly, I was persuaded, by Churches Together in Uppingham, to advertise a book I wrote in 2014, entitled 'Light from Light'. This is a book of daily reflections, from Advent Sunday to Candlemas, around Saints familiar, unfamiliar and some known only to me! If you would like a copy, would you please put your name on the list at the back of church, which will appear on November 5th. A sample copy can also be found there. To my amazement, this book has now run to a third printing and I've only a limited number of copies left, so it's a case of first come, first served I'm afraid! Copies are free of charge but a donation to All We Can - the Methodist and Relief Development Fund - would be welcomed. Please note - The above has nothing to do with The Ecumenical Advent Course, which I hope you will enthusiastically support! Many Thanks, Leo Osborn, Uppingham Methodist Church.

Forthcoming Events

- Sun. 22 Oct. Morning Service** - 10.45 am - We offer a warm welcome to visitors and invite you to join us for tea or coffee in the Wesley Room after our service, led by Jo Hibbard, *Director of Engagement for the Methodist Church*. **Steward:** Keren.
- Sat. 28 Oct. 'The Wesleyans are in Town' - 5.00 pm** - The premiere of a play specially commissioned for the bicentenary, written by Peter Cannings and performed by local actors. Tickets £5.00, to include interval drink, available from 01572 823626. All profits in aid of Pcdc, a charity serving children in crisis in the Holy Land, regardless of race, creed or colour.
- Sun. 29 Oct. 'The Wesleyans are in Town' - 4.00 pm** - A second opportunity to see this new play. Details as above.
- Sat 4 Nov. Christian Concert - MBM Faith Ministry - 3.00 to 5.00 pm** Marilyn Baker, singer/songwriter, helps people enter into joy instead of mourning, beauty instead of ashes, praise instead of despair. **Restoring lives through intimacy with God.** Tickets £5.00, available from 01572 823626, to include light refreshments during the interval.
- Sat. 18 Nov. An Evening With John Wesley** with actor Mark Topping as John Wesley - 7.30 pm - 'Mark's presentation brings John Wesley to life and allows him to speak to our day.' the Reverend Dr. John Newton. Tickets: £8.00, to include interval drink - early booking is essential, as seating is limited - Tel. 01572 823626.



Watchmen on the Wall / Prayer for Leicester are organising a special Festival of Light event for the evening of Tuesday 31 October in Town Hall Square, Leicester, as a Christian response to Halloween. The idea is to declare the praises of God to counter the evil of Halloween, the biblical basis being 2 Chronicles 20 vs 21. We shall spend one hour, 7 pm to 8 pm, in praise to God and, hopefully, folk will bring something that lights up as a witness that Jesus is the light of the world.

Please pray for our preachers - David Bosworth at The Deepings, Linda Bosworth at Oakham and Rev Leo Osborn at Oakham and Somerby today. Also Margaret Stones at The Deepings next week.