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CHURCH  
GOOD NEWS

September  
5th, 2021

To know the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit and with Jesus as our teacher to show and share our faith

Councillor on Duty – Christine Rogers  
Door Stewards – Hilary Brown and Audrey Robson  
Music – Viv Daniels  
Sound – Michael Brown

Duncan will be away at least until the 9th of September.  
On Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> of September Revd Margaret Oxenham will be leading our service which will include Holy Communion.

Thursday September 9th - Thought for The Day at 10.30 am lead by Christine Rogers.  
Thursday Coffee morning will be in the church hall from 10.00 to 11.30.

Sunday Service September 12<sup>th</sup> will be at 10.30 in the church. The service will be led by Rev'd Judy Turner Smith.

**The POD is open from Tuesday to Saturday – 10.00 am to 12 noon and from 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm**

#### PASTORAL

I spoke to Brian Walker this afternoon (Tuesday) who is recovering well at Riverside Care Home following knee surgery. As he has to isolate he is not allowed out of his room or meet with other residents. Margaret, who has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's is also staying at Riverside for a few weeks. Penny is recovering well from her foot surgery but at the moment her mobility is quite restricted, Please remember in your prayers Brian, Margaret, Penny and all other members of our Cheap Street Church Family who are experiencing health problems.

Birthdays.

Wednesday 8th September Clive Turner.

Thursday 9th September Mike Hooper.

Wednesday 15th September Lynn Heaton, and Douglas Scott (80)

Monday 20th September. Penny Gardner and Raymond Wood.

Tuesday. 21st. September Michael Brown.

Happy Birthday and best wishes to you all from everyone in Cheap Street Church.

Church Flowers.

I would like to thank Margaret Beard, Colleen Farquharson and Jan Wallace very much for holding the fort while I am unable to look after Church Flowers. If anyone would like to put flowers in church please let one of them know and they will help you. Thank you so much.

With love and prayers to you all.  
Eirwen.

## FROM THE SECRETARY

September 1st is the beginning of the new year in the Methodist Church, when all ministers who have moved from one circuit to another, or who are starting out, begin their ministry in a new place. Here we have the Rev'd Lin Francis, who has come among us as the new superintendent minister, and we shall have a Welcome Service for her at Gillingham Methodist Church on Thursday 9th Sept. at 7.00pm. It would be good to have representatives from Cheap St. in that company. Christina and I will be going and would be happy to take a couple of people with us. Quite apart from ministers, the new year is an opportunity for a new start for us all at church as we look to the future, even in these somewhat uncertain times, and of course we continue to think of Duncan.

Christine Rogers has been working on a new directory for us and is waiting for others to give further information, but it should come out fairly soon. In the meantime, can i remind you that this is only for those listed in it, and it is important that people's addresses or phone numbers are not given to anyone else without their permission.

May we go forward together, knowing God is with us,  
Janet

## PRAYER RING

The Prayer Ring is available for an urgent need or situation. Call any of these numbers and the circle of prayer will begin:  
Eirwen Cox 01935 815960,  
Penny Gardner 01935 389153,  
Janet Le Moignan 01935 389662

Whenever and wherever we pray in the silence of our hearts, we are part of a rich and powerful fellowship, which serves to sustain everyone in our Church Family. Anyone can join the prayer group by just praying.

Jan and Phil's daughter Emma is starting a new Chemotherapy session next week. If you are able, could you pray that the new drugs do not leave her too weakened and pray for Jan who will be helping her through the adjustment to the new drugs.

We hold in prayer Brian and Margaret Walker; Duncan; Sheila Green; Jan and Phil Wallace and their daughter Emma; Eileen Higgins; Phyllis Batchelor; Peter Gould; Tom Carmichael's family; Clive and Jill Turner and family; Alex Palmer.

Please remember our Cheap Street Church Family in your prayers.

## PRAYERS FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

**Morocco.** Converts to Christianity face opposition from family members, who do not want them to practise their new faith publicly. Often this means new Christians are not allowed to be baptised, marry a Christian or be buried in a church or Christian ceremony. They can lose their inheritance rights or even custody of their children. It is illegal to 'shake the faith of a Muslim' - which, in practice, means it's very difficult for Christians to share their faith. Christian advocates have been targeted for violent attack by Islamic extremists.

Let us pray for unity between Moroccan believers who are scattered across the country; for courage and protection for believers facing opposition from their family, and that Christians involved in social work will be a powerful testimony to God's care for the vulnerable. **Amen**

## LETTERS

Can you imagine being told you have to stay in bed for two weeks with your feet up? For many of us a dream scenario. Especially if you have someone like Geoff and friends to wait on you hand and foot. As I write this, I am already on day six of my days in bed and am so grateful for the help and well wishes that both of us have received as well as the cards and phone calls. Although I won't be going anywhere anytime soon, I am hoping my foot is healing well enough to lower it at the end of next week. Thank you for your care.

Penny

Janet Dolling has moved to Sherborne! She is now in Wingfield Court. If you did not get her new address which she handed out in church last week, then just ask.

As you may already know, Alison Berry and her sister are making a 26 mile Trek to raise funds for the Alzheimer's Society. Their father was diagnosed with this terrible disease 6 years ago. If you would like to sponsor her follow this link [click here](#) or sign up on the sponsor form in the Welcome area at church.

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