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CHURCH  
GOOD NEWS

July 24th  
2022

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

July 24th

Councillor on Duty – Jan Wallace

Door Stewards – Geoff and Pam Tapper

Music Janet English

Sound – Geoff Gardner

## Welcome to Our Sunday Service

Today's Service will be at 10.30 am and will be led by **Revd Sue Litchfield**

Today the Sherborne Churches Together (SCT) will be praying for **ReBorne Community Church, Sherborne**

Thursday July 28<sup>th</sup> – Thought for The Day led by **Christina Le Moignan**

Thursday **Coffee morning** will be in the church hall from 10.00 to 11.30

Sunday July 31<sup>st</sup> at 10.30 the service will be led by **Revd Kate Konrad**

**The POD is open every day except Sundays and Mondays, between 10 -12.00 and 1.00 – 3.00**

### PASTORAL

I hope you have all been able to keep cool during the unprecedented hot weather of the past week. Hopefully more normal temperatures will return and remain for the rest of our summer.!

Last Sunday, 17th July. we received the sad news that Norah Lamb, dear sister of Audrey, had passed away in Dorchester Hospital. Norah became a member of Cheap Street Church following the closure of Sherborne Baptist Church.

We send Audrey, our love and prayers from everyone in Cheap Street Church.

There will be a service of Thanksgiving for Norah in Cheap Street Church, details of which will be announced shortly.

Jackie Bullen is not making much progress and is still testing Positive for Covid after two weeks.

Janet Baker has had the results of her hospital tests which showed nothing sinister but she has a very bad Chest infection.

We hope you will feel better soon and send love and best wishes to you both from everyone in Cheap Street Church.

Birthdays.

Saturday 30th July Jenn Newcombe.

Happy Birthday Jenn, with love and best wishes from our Church Family.

During the coming week please remember in your prayers all who appear on our Prayer List this week, remembering also, their families and friends.

With love and prayers to you all.  
Eirwen.

## 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.

We hold in prayer – Audrey Lamb; Janet Baker; Dr Lorna Barrie (John Stanfield's sister); Duncan Goldie;; Clive Turner; Rob Hooper; Viv Evans and his son Simon; Pat Heal and her family; Ken Bonney; John Stinchcombe; Muriel and Raymond Wood; George and Norma Hamill; Brian and Margaret Walker; Eileen Higgins, her Granddaughter Becky and all her family; Alex Palmer.

Please remember our Cheap Street Church Family in your prayers.

## NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY

Attached is a copy of minutes of the Church Meeting. There is a copy in the welcome area for those not on Email  
That should be enough reading for one week.  
Don

## LETTERS

We had a lively Church Meeting last Thursday evening, chaired by the Rev'd Kate Konrad. Kate told us right at the start that Duncan would be continuing on sick leave until at least the 31st October and that she would be covering for his absence at Cheap St. in addition to her work in Yeovil. Kate will be leading worship here on 31st July, with more dates later. More details from the Church Meeting will follow. For now Thank you, Kate.  
Janet Le Moignan

## URC General Assembly

I reported on the URC General Assembly to our church meeting. There's more information here: <https://urc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Assembly-Business-Digest-2022.pdf>. Let me know if you'd like a printed copy.

George Faris (01935 420258)

Dear Friends

### **The Cheapstreeter**

The August/September issue of The Cheapstreeter is due out next week. If you wish to make a contribution, please could you let me have it by Wednesday, 27th July

Regards

Raymond

For those that weren't able to attend (or were there and want to see it again!), a video of the second half of our Ukraine Benefit Concert is now available on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/9ansBXw58hs>. The video of the first half of the concert is still available on the same channel.

Gordon Amery  
Organist & Concert Organiser  
Music at GMC

Dear all

A reminder that we have a Circuit Zoom Service at 6pm each Sunday evening. Here is the link. If you are not able to go to church on Sunday because of ill health or because you have concerns about Covid its a great way to continue to receive fellowship and participate in worship.

Best Wishes

Kate

## Thought for the Day

I wonder which was your favourite Bible Story when you were young? Maybe it was the impressive story of David felling the giant Goliath with a small stone or perhaps it was Daniel in the lion's den. It might have been the story of the Good Samaritan or the Prodigal Son which made its mark on you. Many children today very rarely get to hear these stories in school. The two primary schools in Sherborne are lucky. Until Covid struck, dedicated volunteers from our town churches went in and told the children these wonderful stories. They Opened the Book and in doing so opened the opportunity for them to be challenged by the word of God. Now two and a half years on some of our team are sadly no longer with us, others feel that they just can't manage to do this any longer, so that might leave you! Could you spare half an hour once every six weeks to Open the Book. Research has shown that if children under 11 do not hear Bible stories they are very unlikely to come to faith. You will never be on your own, you will always have a script but best of all you will look out onto a sea of wonderful faces all eagerly listening to your every word. What could be better. If you are interested or would like more information why not contact Lyn Rayner [wstmount@aol.com](mailto:wstmount@aol.com) or me, Revd Lesley McCreadie 01963 210548/07971 176836

## **A POEM FROM MARGARET**

### **EVENING**

by Emily Dickinson

The cricket sang,  
And set the sun,  
And workmen finished, one by one,  
Their seam the day upon.

The low grass loaded with the dew,  
The twilight stood as strangers do  
With hat in hand, polite and new,  
To stay as if or go.

A vastness, as a neighbour came, -  
A wisdom without face or name.  
A peace, as hemispheres at home,  
And so the night became.

### **Minutes of the Cheap Street Church Meeting July 14th 2022**

- 1) The Chair was Kate Konrad who conducted the opening devotions.
- 2) There were 22 in attendance and 9 apologies.
- 3) The Minutes of the meetings on March 3rd and April 3rd 2022 were agreed and signed.
- 4) Pastoral news. Eirwenn, Jackie, and Brian have Covid
- 5) Methodist Circuit. The Circuit meeting made the decision that for Financial reasons as well as reduced attendance the staffing level would be reduced to 3 Ministers as soon as possible. While Duncan is on sick leave Kate will oversee Sherborne Church as well as Yeovil
- 6) Vision day. Some of the areas of concern have been addressed such as leadership, restart of Senior Service, Taize

We will be holding shared lunches at intervals with name labels to help the congregation to better get to know each other Starting Aug 28th for Lin Francis and Sept 25th Harvest

We would like opportunity to meet again to discuss our goals and vision for the future including young people

- 7) Team reports Property New radiators had been installed in the Rendezvous, the quinquennial review had no major items of concern. The garden benches and other painting items were ongoing. A sheet was distributed showing our Financial position and our assessment for 2022/23 will increase by £3761

Worship and growth. Kate hopes to preach 2 Sundays each month and intends to cover such themes as Suffering, Forgiveness Healing etc. Other forward dates will be published in the news letter

The anniversary of 50yrs of the URC will be on Oct 2nd when Rev Colin Marsh will lead the service and Rev Sandra Pickard will speak.

Sticky Church. This will cease for the present and youth work be reassessed

We have no cover for Junior church and Norma will seek to contact the people who have been on the Creche rota

Senior service has held 2 meetings and there were 21 members at the restart.

Community and Wider world. Acts 435 had been active.

The shoe box appeal will take place again this Christmas

Shares involves recent refugees from Ukraine who use the hall for a drop in centre on a Tuesday and on Friday morning English conversation classes have begun.

The POD still gathers refugee items, and another load has just been delivered to Blandford.

Donations for Hope for Africa was raised but all donations will be reviewed when our yearend financial position is known An Auction of gifts and Talents will be arranged in the spring to raise funds

Family The Jubilee tea was enjoyed by all A request that the shared lunches be finger food to cut down the washing up.

8) The pod A review will be held by Kate. Suggested items to be covered were Numbers using it/nature of enquiries/are other churches involved/tea and sympathy/do volunteers meet together/are things offered elsewhere/are there enough volunteers/how perceived by town/how many boos borrowed /are there recurring visits/etc,etc

9) Sherborne Churches together. Are in need of a Chairman and Vice Chairman The meeting rotates. The next one is in Cheap Street where Kate will Chair.

They have taken on the organising of the Christmas Tree Festival and will be looking for volunteers for rotas etc.

10) URC. George gave a summary of the recent Synod.

11) Safeguarding. Christine Rogers and Lynn are liaising on our position

**12) Any other business**

**Please remember that there are always a few copies of the Good News newsletter in the POD for those who cannot receive emails.**

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