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February
25th, 2024

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.

February 25th

Councillor on Duty – Don Farquharson
Door Stewards- Lillian and Douglas Scott
Music – Peter Jackson and music group
Sound – Don Farquharson



Welcome to Our Sunday Service

Sunday's Service will be at 10.30am and will be led by **Revd Kate Konrad**

This week the Sherborne Churches Together (SCT) will be praying for **Sherborne Abbey**

Prayer time at 9.45 on Thursday

Thursday February 29th at 10.30 am, Thought for The Day – **Linda Catchpole**

Sunday March 3rd at 10.30am Service led by **Revd Peter Clark**

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

Pastoral

Paul Wilkins funeral service takes place on Monday 26th. February 12 noon. at Cheap Street Church followed by refreshments in the church hall.

We send our love and prayers to Brenda, Roger and all the family at this sad time.

Pam Tapper has suffered from mobility problems for some time and is now in The Willows at the Yeatman Hospital. Pam would welcome visitors but if you intend to do so, please contact Geoff first so that too many visitors don't descend at the same time!!

Janet Baker is now in Sherborne House Care Home, Sherborne Road, Yeovil. Janet would like visitors, but it would be better to ring the care home first so that too many visitors don't arrive at the same time.

We send Pam and Janet our best wishes, love and prayers from everyone in Cheap Street Church.

Norma Jean Is making good progress following her hip surgery and would like to thank us all for our prayers, for which she is very grateful.

We send you our best wishes Norma Jean as you continue with your recovery.

At last Michael Brown is heading for home. He has been in hospital for the last six months, most of the time at Salisbury Hospital. Michael hopes to be home on Friday where he will continue to have 24 hour care.

We send Michael and Hilary love and best wishes from our Church Family.

Please remember all our church family in your prayers during the coming week especially those on our prayer list.

Birthdays.

Thursday 29th February Janet Dolling.

Saturday 2nd March. Alison Berry.

Happy Birthday, with love and best wishes from everyone in Cheap Street Church, with special greetings to you Janet on your Leap Year Birthday.

With love and prayers
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 07823 340 103
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 –Pam and Geoff Tapper; Malcom and Tracy Hooper and their sons Steve and Ben; Janet and Arthur English; Michael and Mollie Hooper; Viv Daniels; Raymond and Juliet Wood; Paul Wilkin's family; George Hamill; Michael and Hilary Brown; Janet Baker; John and Sue Litchfield; Simon Evans; Jenn Newcombe; Geoff and Muriel Martin.

Please remember our Cheap Street Church Family in your prayers.

PRAYERS FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

Somalia: "We are thankful to those women who tried to kill her." That's what Ayesha's uncle told the authorities, after she was brutally stabbed for being a Christian. Can you imagine your own relatives being grateful to your would-be murderer?

Ayesha is a Somali Christian living in the Horn of Africa. Like most of the small number of Somali Christians, she converted from Islam. "I researched Christianity and the Quran for three years" she remembers. "After that, I knew where the truth is: I received Jesus." It was a decision that came at great cost. Ayesha's husband left her. Then her in-laws subjected her to endless persecution. "The family tried to take my children from me forcefully". Somali believers like Ayesha often face appalling persecution from their family, their community, and even strangers – like the women who stabbed her. Choosing to follow, Jesus brings life-threatening danger.

Let us pray with Ayesha: Lord Jesus, thank you for revealing the truth of the gospel to Ayesha. May she hold fast to your promises. Protect her life, the lives of her children, and all Somalis who courageously choose to follow you. Break down the walls of opposition so that Somalia becomes a place where your name can be proclaimed without fear of extreme persecution. **Amen.**



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<https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/worship/lent-and-easter/unbounded-love/>

Here is the Link to the March to May Bridge Magazine

<https://www.yeovilblackmorevalemc.org.uk/circuit-bridge-magazine-march--may-2021.php>

LETTERS

Dear All,

Please find information for The Gathering below. This is a Young Adults service aimed at 18- to 30-year-olds, it will be an evening of worship with a message and time to chat and get to know new people. We would love for young adults from other churches to join with us at this event, the plan is to hold this event monthly.

Please circulate this information to young people you may know.

Many thanks,

**The GATHERING. Ages 18-30, SOUTHVILLE
ELIM CHURCH | YEOVIL | BA21 4JA Sunday
17th March | 6pm For more info email
office@southville.church**

MARGARETS POETRY CHOICE

Arrivals

by Ann Lewin

A glimpse of a familiar shape
Out of the corner of my eye, and
Suddenly my heart leaps in
Delighted recognition – they've
Arrived. After the months of

Watching the pavement lest I slip,
Hunching myself against the cold,
It's time to open up to gentle warmth,
And scan the skies for confirmation.
There they are, in growing numbers
Curving and swirling through the air.
One swallow may not make a summer,
But he definitely makes it Spring.

CONTRIBUTIONS for the Newsletter to: Penny
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07823340103 by Wednesday evening please

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Paul's Funeral – 26th February at 12.00 noon
followed by refreshments.

Lent Courses – Wednesday 28th February –
Various venues and times

Lent Lunches – 28th February at 11.30 at the
Catholic Church Hall

Pastoral Team Meeting – Thursday 22nd
February at 11.00am.

Jazz – Wednesday 28th February at 7.30pm in the
Church

Taize Service – Sunday 10th March at 6.30pm

Informal Worship - Monday 11th March at
6.15pm – 7.45 in Cheap Street Church hall

AGM Sherborne Churches Together - Tuesday
30th April 7 for 7.30pm at Cheap Street in the
Church. Theme Eco Issues

WE TAKE TIME TO THINK ABOUT WHO WE ARE

During Lent, we take time to think
about who we are, about the good
things, and the not so good. God
loves us and always holds us, but
sometimes we lose ourselves. Lent
lets us find ourselves and come
back to God.

Sally Foster-Fulton

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copies of the Good News newsletter in the POD
for those who cannot receive emails.