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Services for September 2016

4th 10.00 am Holy Communion Rev Andy Clark

4th 6.30 pm Circuit Welcome Service Rev Stan Brown

At this service we will join with our circuit churches to formally welcome Rev Andrew Clark as minister in the Kingston Methodist Circuit with pastoral charge of Chessington. Refreshments will be in the large hall afterwards and contributions of savoury food and cakes will be gratefully accepted.

11th 10.00 am Family / Junior Church Promotion Rev Andy Clark

Traditionally, on this Sunday, certain children are promoted to the next stage of Junior Church and a presentation is made to them.

11th 6.30 pm Evening Worship (parlour) Rev Sooncheol Choi

18th 10.00 am Contemporary Service Mrs Linda Davis

18th 6.30 pm Holy Communion (parlour) Rev Paul Han

25th 10.00 am Harvest/ Parade/ Family Rev Andy Clark

The uniformed organisations join us for our Harvest family service. We are happy to receive donations (goods and money) to help our local 'Foodbank' (see separate article).

25th 6.30 pm No Service

There is a Korean speaking service every Sunday at 12 .30 pm

The church is open on the last Saturday of the month from 10 until 11 am for a time of shared prayer led by Andre Justin. All are welcome. This is an opportunity for us to pray for those we have concerns for, and to rest together in God's healing presence in an informal relaxed way. This is an open meeting, so if you can't make the full hour, you are welcome to drop in any time to join us.

... *A message from* **to** *our Minister*

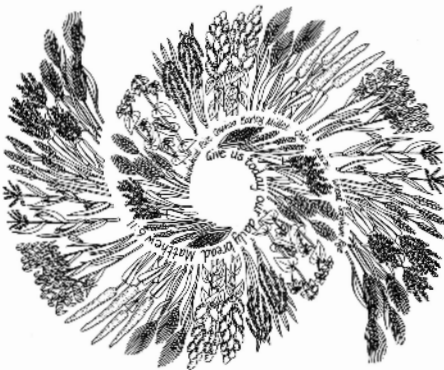


“Welcome Rev Andy Clark” from all of us at Chessington Methodist Church! We hope you have begun to settle into your new home and are beginning to find your way around the neighbourhood. No doubt you have already bumped into several of our more inquisitive members and there are many more who are eager to meet you.

It is always exciting when a new minister arrives - spending time getting to know each other. (This is a lot harder for you than it is for us!) It’s a fresh opportunity for us to “put our best foot forward”, tread lightly and join with you on the Christian journey.

And now we offer this space to you - to tell us a little about yourself in the next edition of “... a Message from our Minister”

*God bless
The Editorial Team*



Weekly Church Activities

Sundays

Morning Service at 10.00 am

Korean Service at 12.30 pm

Evening Worship at 6.30 pm in parlour

Mondays

Conversation Group. For English As 2nd Language at 10.30 am

Rainbows (Girls 5 to 7) term time 4.30 to 5.30 pm

Tuesdays

Friendship Group at 10.00 am

Toddlers term time at 1.15 pm

Badminton at 7.30 pm

Ladies Open Group 2nd & 4th weeks at 8.00 pm

Wednesdays

Toddlers at 10.15 am

Women's Fellowship monthly on 2nd week at 2.00 pm

Guides at 7.00 pm

Ladies Home Group fortnightly re-starting 7th Sept

Thursdays

Messy Church monthly on third week at 3.30 pm

Fridays

Informal Bible Study at 9.45 am

Toddlers term time at 10.15 am

Brownies at 6.30 pm

Korean Fellowship at 8.00 pm



generally meets on the third Thursday of the month. This month we meet on the 15th from 3.30 pm in the small hall. We start with a drink and biscuit as most families come straight from school. There are various games and activities laid out while everyone settles in. At 4pm we move into the large hall for craft activities. These are mostly based around the biblical theme which, for this month, is 'A home for all'. It can be quite messy and great fun. At 4.45pm we move into the church for a short time of worship and then back to the small hall for a hot meal for everyone. We do not charge but rely on donations from those who attend together with the regular support of CMC for which we are very grateful.

We love to welcome families to Messy Church at Chessington. We also welcome any volunteers! Can you do any of the following: prepare craft activities, set out activities, supervise crafts, shop, cook, bake cakes, wash up, clear up, sweep floors.

A few words from the Editorial Team ...

This is our first edition since taking over the editorial role from Pat W. Pat has been faithfully involved with the Monthly Newsletter for over 40 years. Over the decades she has kept us up-to-date with church family news from all corners of the globe, she has informed us of dates and events and has encouraged numerous ministers to submit their monthly message. She has decided that now is the time to hand over the reins, but this does not mean she will be putting up her feet and enjoying



The time is fast approaching for our annual 'Love-in-a-Box' Shoebox Filling & Coffee Morning. Nifty knitters have spent most of the year knitting dozens of hats and scarves. Home cupboards and drawers are beginning to fill with other goods. Here is a reminder of what we need, so when you see that 'Back to School' or '2 for 1' offer, pop an item or two in your basket:

"Boys 3 - 5 years old Toy cars / Ball / Jigsaw / Picture Book / Soft Sweets / Crayons / Pencils / Soft Toy / Soap / Flannel / Toothbrush / Toothpaste / Hairbrush / Comb/ HAT / GLOVES.

Girls 3 - 5 years old Toy dolly / Everything else as above.

Girls 6 - 11 years old Toy Dolly / Skipping Rope /

the garden. She is still working hard at keeping our finances under control amongst many other things. I am sure everyone will join with us in saying a huge thank you to Pat for her sterling work.

The new editorial team is headed up by Daphne and Douglas B with help from Kath D and Geneen B. You will have noticed the new format and we will be trying out new ideas and changes in the months to come. Please bear with us as we 'learn the ropes'. This is a completely new venture for us all and we would appreciate your support in supplying news and articles for the future.

Jewellery / Ball / Playing Cards / Sweets / Book / Felt Tip Pens / Pencils / Paper / Soft Toy / Flannel / Toothbrush / Toothpaste / Soap / HAT / SCARF / GLOVES.

Boys 6 - 11 years old Toy car / Yoyo / Everything else as above.

Boys 12 - 15 years old Marbles / Travel games / Juggling Balls / Baseball Cap / Playing Cards / Geometry Set / Note Book / Pens / Pencils / Soft Toy / Sweets / Soap / Flannel/ /Toothpaste / toothbrush / GLOVES / SCARVES.

Girls 12 - 15 years old Hair accessories / Jewellery / New make up / Perfume Stick / Talc / Deodorant / Dolly / Skipping Rope / Everything else as above."

(Further information next month).



*Harvest Weekend
Quiz and Live Music Event*

Saturday 24th September 4.30pm

The cost is £5 adult. children free

Tea, Coffee and Squash provided

bring your own nibbles

Proceeds in aid of coffee bar carpet fund

More information from Bernard C

Look forward to seeing you all

Diary Dates:

Mon 12 Sept	8.00pm	Leadership Team Mtg	Parlour
Mon 19 Sept	8.00pm	Church Council	Parlour
Sat 24 Sept	11.30am	Church Prep for Harvest	Church
Mon 26 Sept	8.00pm	Worship Consultation	Parlour
Tues 27 Sept	8.00pm	Junior Church Council	Meeting Room
Mon 3 Oct	8.00pm	Pastoral Committee	Parlour
Sat 15 Oct	10.00am	Love in a Box Morning	Large Hall
Sat 19 Nov	11.30am	Winter Fair	Large Hall

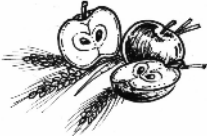
Between Friends:

Rev Sangwoo Seo was ordained at Chelmsford Cathedral on 3rd July. A good contingent from Chessington attended and it was good to catch up on all the news from the Seo family. Sangwoo has written to express his appreciation for the support of all who attended.

Rev Elizabeth Osei has sent her thanks for the gifts presented to her on her leaving CMC. Her Welcome Service to her new church will be on Tuesday Evening 30 August 2016 at 7.30pm at Manor Park Methodist Church, Corner of Herbert Road and Romford Road E12 6AY.

Ann and John B. have a new grandchild - Oliver Thomas weighed in at 7lb 9oz on Sunday 17th July, a brother for Ben & Alice, 3rd child of Jenny and Lee F. Congratulations to them all.

Liz M. Please keep Liz in your prayers as she recovers from a broken ankle following a road traffic accident in Surbiton.



Kingston Foodbank – for Harvest ... and throughout the year

Many of you will have seen cardboard boxes with the name Foodbank printed on the side sitting in the vestibule and outside the coffee bar. A few of you regularly place items in it however, it is at Harvest that this church collects most of the goods we provide to the Foodbank.

The Kingston Foodbank was set up in December 2011 as part of the Trussell Trust national network of Foodbanks. In the first 2 years more than 8000 local people received 58 tonnes of emergency food. These are people with low income or no financial safety net or savings who may have an unexpected bill or reduction in income which pushes them into crisis, unable to buy basic food. Everyone who goes to a Foodbank centre for food needs a Foodbank voucher which is issued by one of the local agencies e.g. health

visitors, social services, children's centres, citizens advice. This voucher entitles them to a parcel of 3 days emergency food.

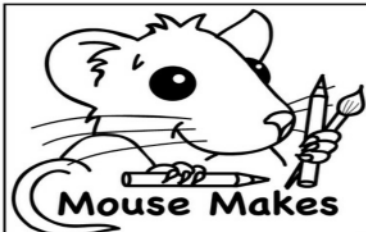
Food currently in short supply is Sugar (500g bags), Custard, Steamed Puddings, Long Life Milk, Long Life Juice, Fruit Squash, Noodles, Instant Potato Mash, Vegetarian Meals. Also needed in smaller quantities is Pasta Sauce, Cereal, Tinned Fruit, Rice Pudding, Jam, Biscuits, Spaghetti. *(They have, at present, plenty of pasta, rice, baked beans, soup and tinned tomatoes.)*

So – if you haven't already – start putting one or two bits aside after your weekly shop. Remember if shopping is difficult we will also make a cash collection for Foodbank at our Harvest Service.



An army of church mice are needed on Saturday 24th Sept at 11.30am to "spring clean" the church and decorate it for Harvest. We need home grown fruit & veg, flowers & foliage.





Thank you
God for...



See how many words can you make using the letters from **HARVEST THANKSGIVING**

HARVEST THANKSGIVING



Lord God, you made the world;
You made the land we live on,
the air we breathe,
the water we drink,
the food we eat.



Thank you Lord for the harvest.



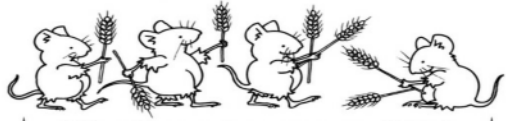
Lord God, you give us all that we need each day to live.



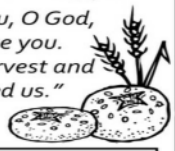
Thank you Lord for the harvest.

Lord God, help us to share all that you give us.

Thank you Lord for the harvest.



"May the peoples praise you, O God,
may all the peoples praise you.
The land has yielded it's harvest and
God, our God, has blessed us."



Psalm 67:6

What foods can you think of to finish this acrostic?

H	F
A	E
Raspberries..	S
V	T
E	I
S	Vegetables...
T	A
	L



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