

# Chessington Methodist Church

## Weekly News

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### Services

*Sunday 27 January*

10.00am **Rev Dr Stan Brown**

12.30pm **Worship Service in Korean**

*Sunday 3 February*

10.00am **Rev Andy Clark** Holy Communion

12.30pm **Worship Service in Korean**

6.30pm **Rev Andy Clark**

The church is equipped with an induction loop system for those who are hard of hearing. If you are using a hearing aid, please switch it to the 'T' position. All hymns and songs used in the church are covered by CCL Licence No. 4904.

**Large print versions of *Hymns and Psalms* and *Songs of Fellowship* are available from the door stewards if you require them.**

**The coffee bar is open Mon, Tues, Wed and Friday from 10 until 12, all welcome to pop in.**

*Our weekly prayer*

Lord our God, let the remembrance of your goodness be always on our minds and the gift of your love forever in our hearts. Keep us free from sin, protect us in the hour of temptation and guide us with the light of your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen (John Calvin 1509-1564)

Church Envelopes are now available in the vestibule for the new church year. If you would like to give to help the church in this way see Linda D.

A very warm welcome if you are new to us, or visiting. Do please join us for coffee after the service. If you would like Andy, our minister, to contact you, or arrange a visit, his details are shown above.

### What's On This Week

*Monday*

10.15am **English Language  
Conversation Group**

8.00pm **Church Council**

*Tuesday*

10.30am **Friendship & Craft Group**

7.30pm **Badminton**

*Wednesday*

10.15-11.45 **Toddler Group**

7.00pm **Guides**

*Friday*

9.45am **Informal Bible Study & Prayer**

10.15-11.45 **Toddler Group**

4.30pm **Rainbows**

6.30pm **Brownies**

8.00pm **Korean fellowship**

The next Mary and Martha's group will be on 30 Jan at 7:45- venue 14 Hurst Close. Continuing our study of 1 Thessalonians.

*If you would like to include anything in the Weekly News, please put it in the pigeon hole or speak to Mark Harvey on 01483 223543 or [mpharvey2000@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:mpharvey2000@yahoo.co.uk)*

### Surbiton Hill Methodist Church are seeking:

Part-time Caretaker for basic maintenance of extensive Church premises. 12½ hours per week at £13 per hour.

Part-time Caretaker (Night Security) to secure the Church premises 5 nights a week. 2½ hours per week at £13 per hour.

These roles could be combined by someone working 15 hours per week on a split-shift basis. Full details are available from the Church Administrator by Email on [SHMC.office@kingstoncircuit.org.uk](mailto:SHMC.office@kingstoncircuit.org.uk) or by phoning 020 8390 4598. Applications deadline: Thursday 7 February.

Rev Andy Clark has been directed to take a long over-due sabbatical by the 'Stationing Advisory Committee'. He and his wife Liz, want to explore their future and possible ministry together, so this is an opportunity for Andy to reflect and find out what is God's will for his future. It is possible that Andy could leave the Kingston Circuit a year early, in 2020.

Following discussion within the Circuit leadership team and the staff, the sabbatical will begin towards the end of February and last for three months. This is short notice but is the best option within the Circuit and gives Andy and Liz the maximum time to consider their future. The Circuit will be exploring future options.

Arrangements are being put into place for a 'Sabbatical support group'. The preaching plan will be a challenge, but Stan is asking for ministers and preachers (possibly from outside the Circuit) to be supportive during this time.

For the 3 months, Rev Dr Karl Rutledge will have pastoral care of New Malden and Kingston churches, with Rev Dr Stan Brown pastoral care for Surbiton and Chessington. You are asked to pray for all elements mentioned here and especially Andy, as he discovers God's purpose for his future.

Margaret Turner Circuit Steward. 16 January 2019

### **The Penrhyn Faith and Spirituality Book Group: Finding ideas in surprising places**

In Spring 2019 we will read these two books and then meet to discuss each:

*Monday 4 February* Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn: One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich

*Monday 18 March* Gail Honeyman: Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine

All meetings: 7:00-8:30pm. Wine, coffee, tea from 6:30pm Kingston University, The Quiet Room (PRMB0031), Faith and Spirituality Centre, Penrhyn Road, KT1 2EE.

## **AROUND THE CIRCUIT**

### **Quiet Days at the House of Prayer, East Molesey**

A reminder that the next Quiet Day takes place on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2019**, at the House of Prayer, Seymour Rd, East Molesey, KT8 0PB, led by Rev Canon David Overington.

The day is open to everyone around the Circuit. It will run from 10.00 to 3.30pm and you are asked to bring a packed lunch. Hot drinks and light snacks will be available throughout the day. There is plenty of parking on site.

Please sign on the attendance lists on the church noticeboards and indicate if transport is required. For more information contact Jeannette Barwick [jbarwick313@btinternet.com](mailto:jbarwick313@btinternet.com); 020 8941 8551

### **Next Newsletters**

If you have any news or a forthcoming event you would like to share with the Circuit, please forward details to Michael Axton at the Circuit Office so that it can be included in each Church's next newsletter or magazine.

*Please send contributions by Monday 11 February to: [circuitoffice@kingstoncircuit.org.uk](mailto:circuitoffice@kingstoncircuit.org.uk)*