

# Gravesend Methodist Church & Community Centre

## Weekly Newsheet

12 January 2025

*"Your local Town Centre Church bringing God's love to the heart of the community".*

*If you are joining us for the first time, please make yourself at home and stay for tea or coffee which is served at the end of the morning service. Here you will have the opportunity to talk to members of the congregation who will be happy to answer any questions you may have about our Sunday services and weekday activities.*



### Sunday 12 January

12 Jan 10.00am Service preparation  
11.00am Service led by Tracey Burch  
11.00am **EXPLORERS**

*It would be appreciated if mobile phones are turned off or put in silent mode. Thank you*  
**Care Team** If you would like someone to talk to or to pray with in confidence, representatives from our Care Team are available at each service. They can be identified by their red badges.

### Future Services

19 Jan 11.00am John Hudson-Beddows  
11.00am **EXPLORERS**  
26 Jan 11.00am To be arranged  
11.00am **EXPLORERS**  
2 Feb 11.00am Rev Alexandra Terrett with Holy Communion  
11.00am **EXPLORERS**

### Your New Year's resolution?

The Leadership Team, Church Council and Minister have for some time been asking the congregation to "step up" and let those in their 70's and 80's who are presently running the church "step back" and take over their duties. If this does not happen soon, we may find ourselves in a very difficult situation with nobody able to run the church and which would lead to inevitable closure; something we are sure that neither God nor you want.

So could your New Year's resolution be to become a:-  
Sunday Steward or Senior Steward.

Property Steward or Property Secretary (these positions become totally vacant in May 2025).

Explorers Leaders or Helpers.

Pastoral Co-ordinator or Pastoral Visitor.

Member of the Church Council (Trustee).

Social & Fundraising Team member.

Finance Team members.

**Please will all members and friends give this article your very serious prayerful consideration and not leave it to the trusted elderly few to "run the show". Please speak to our Minister, Senior Steward or a member of the Leadership Team about this.**

**Minister** - Rev Alexandra Terrett- Email a.terrett@btinternet.com (Alex's day off is Friday)

**Senior Church Steward** - Sheila Allison Email sheila\_allison@btinternet.com **Pastoral matters**-Joyce Woodcraft Email joyceatlast@talktalk.net **Property or administration** - Eric Davis Email eric@ehdavis.me.uk

**Finances** - Kate or Robert Hardy Email kateahardy16@gmail.com or roberthardy33@gmail.com

**Deacon** -Vic Downs (Retired) Email deacon45@virginmedia.com

**Church Tel:** 01474 328249 (answerphone) **or use the contact form on our church web site –**

www.gravesendmethodistchurch.org.uk

**Community Centre Manager –** Vicki Clarke Tel 328249

**Bookings** - For hall & room bookings please contact Vicki Clarke - Community Centre Manager tel. 328249

**Weekly Notice Sheet Editor –** for the next edition is **Eric Davis.** All items for the news sheet should be with Eric by 12 noon on Wednesday please. Email eric@ehdavis.me.uk

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The Grand's activities are not included in this calendar of events.

Mon 13/1	<b>Daytime Hub</b>	Community Centre	1000-1200
	<b>Coffee, Cake &amp; Conversation</b>	Foyer	1000-1200
	<b>Sisterhood</b>	Foyer	1415-1530
	<b>Badminton Club</b>	Wesley Hall	1930-2200
Tue 14/1	<b>Community Centre open</b>	Reception	0900-1300
	<b>SUN Group (Kent &amp; Medway NHS - Service user Network)</b>	Foyer	0930-1330
	<b>Leadership Team Meeting on zoom</b>	Zoom	1900
	<b>Meopham Fellowship</b>	14 Poplar Walk	1930
Wed 15/1	<b>Daytime Hub</b>	Community Centre	1000-1200
	<b>Crafty coffee</b>	Foyer	1000-1215
Thur 16/1	<b>Community Centre open</b>	Reception	0900-1230
Fri 17/1	<b>Daytime Hub</b>	Community Centre	1000-1200
	<b>Street Pastors Support &amp; Prayer</b>	Jubilee Room	2130-0230
Sat 18/1	<b>'babyballet'</b>	Wesley Hall	0900-1300
	<b>Foodbank</b>	Reception	1000-1200

The Grands typical weeks events at GMCCC - the Parlour is in exclusive use as their base. \* = Youth event

Mon	<b>Grand Active</b>	Wesley Hall	1200-1400
	<b>GYG Adults singing</b>	Foyer	1830-2030
Tues	<b>Teenage schooling</b>	Jubilee Room	1000-1500
	<b>Grand Active</b>	Wesley Hall	1015-1215
	<b>Mini GYGers*</b>	Wesley Hall	1600-1700
	<b>Exercise Class</b>	Wesley Hall	1845-1945
Wed	<b>Ready, Steady, Go</b>	Wesley Hall	1200-1300
	<b>Yoga</b>	Wesley Hall	1400-1500
	<b>GYG Performers*</b>	Wesley Hall & Foyer	1600-2130
	<b>GYG Creative*</b>	Jubilee Room	1600-1800
Thur	<b>Teenage schooling</b>	Jubilee Room	1000-1500
	<b>Grand Active &amp; Additional Needs</b>	Foyer	1015-1215
	<b>Seniors Get Active</b>	Wesley Hall	1030-1200
	<b>GYG Committee *</b>	Jubilee Room	1600-1800
	<b>GYG Dance*</b>	Wesley Hall	1630-1830
	<b>Exercise Class</b>	Wesley Hall	1815-1915
Fri	<b>English Classes</b>	Foyer	1000-1330

## Family Quiz Evening



A quiz evening with a twist

Saturday 15 February 2025

6.30 for 6.45pm

Teams of 6 - £8 per head with **P**loughmans **P**latter -  
Bring your own nibbles and soft drinks (sorry no alcohol)

Register your team with Robert Hardy tel 357681  
Email roberthardy33@gmail.com

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Are you able to put a team together for this quiz?  
It is a great evening of fun, with refreshments too!  
So why not register your team with Robert Hardy?

**Tony Shaw**

It is with sadness that we announce the passing away of Tony Shaw. Tony was a member and organist at this church a number of years ago and more recently at Spital Street Methodist Church, Dartford. His family have informed us that Tony's funeral is on the 5th Feb at 12 noon at Thames View Crematorium and all are welcome to attend.

Gravesham Foodbank

This is a difficult time for the Foodbank as Christmas donations are finished and there is usually a dramatic drop of giving from supermarket customers from January to March. This makes your regular giving of mixed items vital to keep this service going. Thank you.