# Gravesend Methodist Church & Community Centre

## **Weekly Newssheet** 17 July 2022

"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 17 July 2022

17 July 10.00am Service preparation 11.00am Service led Gill Gray 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**

24 July 11.00am Action for Children Sunday All age service 31 July 11.00am To be arranged 11.00am EXPLORERS

4.00pm Circuit Farewell Service for Tony Graff, Elaine Cranmer from Holy Trinity, Chatham & Paul Lau from the Chinese Church

7 Aug 11.00am Dr BartWoodhouse

11.00am EXPLORERS

£15/hour 15 hours/week

Kent Workplace Mission is a Local Ecumenical Partnership of Churches Together in Kent, and a registered charity. We promote and resource workplace chaplaincy as a model of mission, community engagement, and loving service. We work in partnership with local congregations and workplaces to offer chaplaincy support services across Kent, Bexley and Bromley. We currently have teams in businesses, local councils, and town centres across the region. The majority of our chaplains are volunteers. We are recruiting an Administrator to manage the office and provide wide-ranging administrative support. The post is currently based at Larkfield Methodist Church. We would consider this being a Kent or SE London home-based role. For further details and an application pack contact the Coordinating Chaplain Mark Ball 07394 081521 mark@kentworkplacemission.org Closing date is Friday 29th July Interviews on Tuesday 30th August kentworkplacemission.org Administrator Larkfield Methodist Church, New Hvthe Lane. Larkfield. Avlesford ME20 6PN

Until our next Minister arrives in September, please address any issues to the following people... Pastoral matters - Joyce Woodcraft Tel 365771

Senior Church Steward - Sheila Allison Tel 535881 Property or administration - Eric Davis Tel 822570

Church Tel: 01474 328249 (answerphone)

Community Centre Manager – Vicki Clarke Tel 328249

Deacon -Vic Downs (Retired) tel. 748608 Bookings - For hall & room bookings please contact Vicki Clarke - Community Centre Manager tel. 328249

Finances - Kate or Robert Hardy Tel 357681

Weekly Notice Sheet Editor – for next week 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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Mon 18/7	Daytime Hub	Community	1000-
		Centre	1200 1000-
	Coffee, Cake & Conversation	Foyer	1200
	No Sisterhood until September	Jubilee Room	
	Youth Ngage	Wesley Hall	1600- 1900
	No Badminton Club until 5 September	Wesley Hall	
Tue 19/7	Community Centre open		0930- 1330
	Meopham Fellowship	14 Poplar Walk	1930
Wed 20/7	Daytime hub	Community Centre	1000- 1200
	Crafty coffee	Foyer	1000- 1200
Thur 21/7	Community Centre open		0930- 1330
	One Stop Shop Clarion Housing	Wesley Hall	0930- 1200
	Ukraine Family Help Centre (Fortnightly)arranged by Adam Holloway M.P.	Wesley Hall	1700- 1900
Fri 22/7	Daytime hub	Community Centre	1000- 1200
	Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Jennifer Carter	Church	1500
	Street Pastors Support & prayer	Jubilee room	2200- 0230
Sat 23/7	'babyballet' last until September	Wesley Hall	0900- 1300
	'Action for Children' coffee morning – see advert below.	Foyer	1000- 1230
	Foodbank Hub	Reception	1000- 1200

#### Coffee Morning - Sat 23rd July

There will be a coffee morning in the foyer at the front of the church on Saturday 23rd July which will be in aid of Action for Children – please do come and support us between 10.00am and 12.30pm

There will be a Bring and Buy stall (no need to bring – just buy) and cakes (if anybody bakes a cake for us!)
The 11am service on Sunday 24th July will be a service to celebrate the work of Action for Children – Please come along!

The new Circuit Plan indicates that our new Minister - Rev. Alex Terrett - is taking her first service in this circuit at our church on the morning of 3 September which will include Holy Communion. Please put this in your diary and come and support Alex.

Link to the circuit plan is :-

Action for

(https://www.nkmethodists.org.uk/doc/2022-sept-nov-nkmc-plan-D674228.pdf)

Also, please do not forget Alex's welcome service at The Brent, Dartford on that afternoon at 4pm and we look forward to seeing you at that service too?

#### **Gravesham Foodbank**

Thank you to those of you who have recommenced donating regularly into our Foodbank Trolley. We now need mixed donations please.

Have you had time to consider whether you could help out regularly as one of your helpers? You would be needed on Saturdays from 9.45 – 12noon ish fortnightly or monthly and must be able to make it up and down the basement stairs. Please have a word with Eric Davis or Robert or Kate Hardy for more information or if you could become part of our team. Thank you.

Jennifer Carter's funeral will be on Friday 22 July - 12.00 noon Thames View Crematorium, 3pm Service of Thanksgiving at this church followed by refreshments in the Wesley Hall. Please keep Jennifer's family in your prayers.

### Negotiations with The Grand -

Gravesham's Healthy Living initiative – negotiations are progressing well and, subject to their Board meeting on 26 July, they should be moving in with us toward the end of August for a September start.

Before then however, we need to do some clearing out, moving of furniture and generally getting the premises "ship shape" for their arrival. If you are able to help with this e.g. deconstruct the table tennis table in the parlour and reconstructing it on the ground floor or do a "tip run with your car" please will you contact Eric Davis or Robert Hardy Thank you

Are you able to bake some cakes for Rev Tony's farewell service on 31 July? If you are, please tell Linda Brereton as soon as possible.

Monday & Wednesday coffee mornings.

Due to not having enough keyholders available, we will not be running the coffee mornings in the foyer on Mondays during August, However, we will be able to continue Wednesdays as usual. Monday coffee will restart on Monday 5 September at the normal time of 10.00am to 12 noon.

Next weeks Newssheet will cover all of August. So, if you want something mentioned which happens in August, please let Eric know by Wednesday 20 July.