

Gravesend Methodist Church & Community Centre

Weekly Newsheet

19 May 2024

“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- 19 May

19 May 10.00am Service preparation
11.00am Worship led by John Hudson
Beddows
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

26 May 11.00am Led by J Woodcraft
11.00am **EXPLORERS**
2 June 11.00am Annual General Church Meeting
to be held as a Café Church in the Wesley Hall
with Rev Alex Terrett.
11.00am **EXPLORERS** in the foyer
9 June 11.00am Church Anniversary & Gift Day
All Age Service led by Monica Wilding

We sadly report the passing away of Matt Niven. Matt was a member and local preacher at Milton Road during the 1970’s to the early 2000’s, bringing his Scottish humour with him. His funeral will be on Thursday 30th May 12noon at Canley Crematorium, Cannon Hill Road, Coventry, CV4 7DF followed by a Service of Celebration of his Life at Balsall Common Methodist Church 228 Station Road, Coventry CV7 7EE; then at Haigs Hotel, 273 Kenilworth Road, Balsall Common CV7 7EL, about five-minute walk from the church.

If anyone would like to attend, could they please let the family know as soon as possible. “Dad was quite specific that he didn’t want his funeral to be a mournful occasion so we will not be wearing black ties etc”.

A message from Churches Together in Gravesham
Our Summer Event is fast approaching!

On Sunday 9th June, churches from across Gravesham will be gathering at the Fort Gardens for a picnic, as well as a time of worship, led by Noel Robinson, and encouraging testimonies. The event will start at 12:30 PM and all are welcome to attend!

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 “2 week edition” is **Eric Davis**. All items for the news sheet should be with Eric by 12 noon on Wednesday 22 May please. Email eric@ehdavis.me.uk

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The Grand's activities are not included in this calendar of events.			
Mon 20/5	Daytime Hub	Community Centre	1000-1200
	Coffee, Cake & Conversation	Foyer	1000-1200
	Sisterhood not meeting until 3/6		
	Youth engage	Ground floor	1530-1800
	Badminton Club	Wesley Hall	1930-2200
Tue 21/5	Community Centre open	Reception	0900-1300
	SUN Group (Kent & Medway NHS - Service user Network)	Foyer	0930-1330
	Meopham Fellowship	14 Poplar Walk	1930
Wed 22/5	Daytime Hub	Community Centre	1000-1200
	Crafty coffee	Foyer	1000-1200
Thur 23/5	Community Centre reception open	Reception	0900-1230
Fri 24/5	Daytime Hub	Community Centre	1000-1200
	Street Pastors Support & Prayer	Jubilee Room	2130-0230
Sat 25/5	'babyballet'	Wesley Hall	0900-1300
	Foodbank	Reception	1000-1200

The Grands typical weeks events at GMCCC - the Parlour is in exclusive use as their base. * = Youth event			
Mon	Tech course & Advice	Quiet Room	1000-1330
	Grand Active	Wesley Hall	1215-1345
	Active Listening*	Counsel Room	1530-1830
	GYG Adults singing	Foyer	1830-2030
Tues	Grand Active	Wesley Hall	1030-1200
	Mini GYGers*	Wesley Hall	1600-1700
	Be You Project*	Jubilee Room	1600-1730
	Active Listening*	Quiet & Counselling	1530-1830
	Drumming Workshop*	Church/Foyer	1600-1800
	Women's Exercise	Wesley Hall	1900-1945
Wed	Ready, Steady, Go	Wesley Hall	1200-1300
	Yoga	Wesley Hall	1400-1500
	GYG Performers*	Wesley Hall	1600-1800
	GYG Creative*	Jubilee Room	1600-1800
Thur	Grand Active & Additional Needs	Foyer	1030-1230
	Seniors Get Active	Wesley Hall	1030-1130
	Active Listening*	Quiet Room	1530-1830
	GYG Committee & Gone wild*	Foyer	1600-1800
	GYG Dance*	Wesley Hall	1630-1830
Fri	English Classes	Foyer	1000-1330



URGENT

Our Daytime Hub is in great need of volunteers. At present they are struggling to find someone to help do the laundry and recently they were unable to provide cooked breakfasts as they had no cook!! Are you able to volunteer please? Please ring Vicki Clarke on 01474328249.

We thank the two new people who have volunteered to do sound on Sundays and they will be training on the job over the coming weeks.

However, we still need people with "computer shaped brains" who would be able to operate the AV system.

We presently only have 2 AV operators and they would like to go on holiday and not feel guilty that they have left the church without an AV operator!!! Could you volunteer or do you know someone in the congregation who is computer savvy and reliable? Please give this your prayerful thought and volunteer to Robert Hardy tel 01474 357681 email roberthardy33@gmail.com

Gravesham Foodbank

Donations are still smaller than the demand which is putting a strain on finances as Foodbank is having to buy in food.

We need mixed donations please but we have sufficient pasta.

Thank you

Date for your diary:-

Date - Saturday 27 July

Event - Church Garden Party

Time - To be agreed (Afternoon)

Venue - 38 Laurel Avenue,