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Offerings for Sunday 30th December 2018

Envelopes	£ 713.00
Cash	£ 102.70
Bankers Orders	£ 1,145.00
Total to date	£ 1,960.70

Please contact Treasurer: Mike Butler (0n 01474 362740).
If you require further details about the Envelope Scheme or
Bankers Orders and the Gift Aid Scheme.

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Mobile Phones and prayers

In our daily lives Mobile Phones have become a necessity for personal contact. However they also have become in many ways an irritant especially during church services, prayer sessions and meetings.

A phone ringing (and the subsequent searching for the phone) during a deep down prayer gathering interrupts the prayer communication and the ambience.

Therefore we request you please switch your phone off during Church services, prayer sessions and meetings. Many Thanks.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Adrian Owen, son of Terry Owen Who has been awarded the OBE for services to Medical Science.

God specializes in things fresh and firsthand. His plans for you this year may outshine those of the past...He's preparing to fill your days with reason to give Him praise.

Gravesend Methodist Church & Community Centre

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



Weekly News Sheet 6th January 2019

Welcome To our Worship and Fellowship

If you are joining us for the first time, please make yourself at home and stay for tea or coffee which is served in the church 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 6th January 2019

Covenant Service

- 10.00am Preparation
Singing, music. Av and worship leading.
- 11.00 am Rev.Tony Graff - Holy Communion
Readings: Isaiah 60 1-16
Matthew 2 1-12
- 11.00 am **EXPLORERS** (Children's Club)

Please note there is no Evening Service

Sunday 13th January 2019

- 10.00am Preparation
Singing, music. Av and worship leading.
- 11.00 am Deacon Vic Downs
- 11.00 am **EXPLORERS** (Children's Club)

Thank you God for quiet places far from life's crowded ways, where our hearts find true contentment and our souls fill up with praise.

Mon 07/01	'Washing off the city colours' 'tea and toast' and laundry.	Reception Showers Laundry	1000 1200
	Tai Chi-	Wesley Hall	1030 1230
	Walk Tall Training Course	Parlour	1000 1400
	Sisterhood Open Meeting	Jubilee Room	1415 1545
	Lithuanian Language School	Parlour	1700 2000
	Walk Tall – training course	Jubilee Room	1730 2130
	Badminton Club	Wesley Hall	1930 2200
Tues 08/01	Morning Coffee	Jubilee Room	1000 1200
	Prayer Time	Church	1000 1200
	Mini-meals Resume 15th January	Jubilee Room	1230 1330
	Meopham Fellowship	14 Poplar Walk	1930
	Sanctuary Overnight Stay	Ground Floor	1730 0830
Wed 09/01	'Washing off the city colours' 'Tea and toast'. Laundry	Jubilee Room	1000 1200
	Porchlight Sports For homeless people	Wesley Hall	1000 1200
Thu 10/01	Reception	Reception	1000 1400
	DIY Volunteers Required	All Areas	1000 Onwards
	Sanctuary Overnight Stay	Ground Floor	1730 0830
	Ladies Fellowship	3 Cerne Road	1400
	Leadership team meeting	Parlour	1900
Fri 11/01	Sanctuary Office	Sanctuary Office	1000 1200
	Washing off the city colours' 'Tea and toast'. Laundry	Jubilee Room	1000 1200
	Time of Quiet and Reflection 1st/3rd Fri in each month.	Gravesend	1400
	Sanctuary Training	Ground Floor	1900
	Street Pastors	Jubilee Room	2200 0230
Sat 12/01	Baby Ballet	Wesley Hall	0900 1300
	Coffee Morning	Jubilee Room	1000 1200
	Food Bank	Quiet Room	1000 1200
	Youth N'gage Choir	Parlour	1600 1700
	Street Pastors	Jubilee Room	2200 0230
Sun 13/01	Sanctuary Overnight Stay	Ground Floor	1730 0830

Prayer Requests

This months prayer requests are available and we ask you take a copy and pray in your heart for the requests. Please notify any prayer requests to Joyce.

Property Maintenance

We apologise that changes to our heating system planned for September were delayed and are now due to take place this coming week. This includes draining down the main heating system for a few days whilst pipework is changed and the system flushed out. During this time electric fan heaters will be used for the office and Wesley Hall but the corridors will remain unheated and the Quiet room will be out of action. Normal annual maintenance of the domestic boilers in the Jubilee Room and Parlour will take place. But inconvenience in those rooms will be short lived. Hopefully, by the end of the week heating will be fully functioning. Any Queries to Eric Davis please.

Foodbank

Thank you to all who gave so generously leading up to Christmas. We were able to give our clients extra treats for Christmas and bearing in mind their smiles, they were well received.

And now for your 2019 New Years resolution – **"Every time I do my shopping I will add a few mixed items for Foodbank"**.

Thank you. Eric Davis – Foodbank Hub Manager

Churches together in Gravesend

All are invited to a Churches together in Gravesend service at The CPC Church Centre on Sunday 20th January commencing at 6.30pm. This will be an opportunity to meet and worship with people from other Churches.

Guest Preacher :Bishop of Tonbridge

Note:

The CPC Church Centre is located near The Lion garage roundabout (behind the Petrol Station) Car Parking will be in the NWK college car park just past the CPC centre. Marshals will direct you.

Gravesend Methodist Church and Community Centre Bookings for the Church and Halls

Bookings – We are now using "iknowchurch" software to manage our member data base as well as room bookings. If you need to change your regular booking, make a new booking or are cancelling your booking you must agree with Vicki Clarke **BEFORE** you let your group know.

We are still using the paper diary in the office but all bookings are now made on the computer by Vicki Clarke.

Jesus Christ opens wide the doors of the treasure house of God's promises and bids us to come in and take with boldness the riches that are ours.