



# **JUNE 2014**

## **Wot's On at**

### **DursleyTabernacle**

[www.dursleytab.org.uk](http://www.dursleytab.org.uk)

**Sun 1 Jun 10.30am Communion Service led by Rev Simon Helme. Theme: Judges rule God's people: Power misused. Readings: Judges 16. 4-, 17-22. Judges 16. 23-31**

**Tue 3 Jun 9.30am Prayer Group meet in the church.**

**Wed 4 Jun 7.45pm Discipleship Explored at the Courtyard Café**

**Thu 5 Jun 2pm Fund Raising Meeting in the Reception Room or church.**

**FRI 6 JUN 7PM GLOUCESTER GALLERY QUIRE. TICKETS £6 PAY ON THE DOOR.**

**Sun 8 Jun 10.30am Pentecost Sunday led by Rev Carrie Seaton.**

**Tue 10 Jun 9.30am Prayer Group meet in the church.**

**Tue 10 Jun 2pm-3.30pm Knitting Group meet in the Reception room or church..**

**Tue 10 Jun 7pm Men's Group walk to Waterly Bottom (meet at church)**

**Wed 11 Jun 10am-1pm Family Café in the church.**

**Wed 11 Jun 7.45pm Discipleship Explored at the Courtyard Café**

**Thu 12 Jun 7.30pm Elders Meeting at church.**

**SAT 14 JUN FROM 12.30 TAB FAMILY BBQ LUNCH. NO ENTRY CHARGE, HOT DOGS, ICECREAMS, CAKES, GAMES, FACE PAINTING, STALLS AND LOTS MORE. THIS IS A FAMILY FELLOWSHIP EVENT, SO DO COME AND HAVE FUN FROM 12.30 AND YOU CAN SEE THE WORLD CUP AS WELL.**

**Sun 15 Jun 10.30am Trinity Sunday led by Rev Simon Helme Theme: Light for Life: Light to live by. Readings: Psalm 119. 9-16, 105; John 14.15-21**

**Mon 16-19 Jun The minister will be away at the Synod Ministers Conference.**

**Tue 17 Jun 9.30am Prayer Group meet in the church.**

**Tue 17 Jun Woman's Guild Annual Outing, any queries contact Sally or Margo.**

**Wed 18 Jun 10am- 1pm Family Café meet in the church.**

**Sat 21 Jun 9.30am Coffee Morning, donations of cakes and items to sell please.**

**Sun 22 Jun 10.30am Family Worship led by Rev Simon Helme. Theme: Light for Life: Is seeing believing. Readings: Psalm 27.1-6; John 9.1-12, 35-38**

**Tue 24 Jun 9.30am Prayer Group meet in the church.**

**Wed 25 Jun 10am-1pm Family Café in the church.**

**Wed 25 Jun 7.45pm Discipleship Explored at the Courtyard Café**

**Fri 27 – 29 Jun Tab Church Weekend at Sheldon Centre, Devon.**

**Sun 29 Jun 10.30am Family Worship led by Rev John Palmer.**

**Readings Psalm 27 1-14 and Luke 10 25-37 "What must I do to inherit eternal life"**

**Sun 6 July SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY – There will be a picnic and games for all the family in the church garden after the service. Please note that Communion will be moved to the following Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> July.**

**Sat 12<sup>th</sup> July 7.30 for 8pm till late PLEASE NOTE TICKET ONLY. WINE AND CHEESE NIGHT at Stinchcombe Hill Manor House in stunning setting, with fine food and choice of wine and beer great success last year so book baby sitter. TICKETS ON SALE IN JUNE get yours before they sell out £10 pp for a memorable evening and good company. CONTACT THE MINISTER, REVD SIMON HELME: 01453 542344; MOBILE 0744 356 8242; EMAIL: minister@dursleytab.org.uk**

**Tue 10 Jun Men's Group** we hope to do a walk to the New Inn at Waterly Bottom. Set off at 7pm from the Tab or meet at the New inn for 8pm. Contact Simon for details.

**May Donations of flowers are as follows:-**

4th May – Lita and Ron Heathman  
11th May - Gill Watts  
18th May - Joyce Longman  
25th May - Lilla Jones  
01st June - Michael and Mary Weedon

**Please can you give a donations of flowers from June onwards** maybe for a Wedding Anniversary, birthday, or in memory of a loved one. Speak to Ronnie Harding, or email her or ring Ronnie on 01453 547080.

**JAM JARS PLEASE!** Liz Swanwick would be grateful to have any spare jam jars needed for Naomi's wedding. Happy to collect ring 511790. Thank you.

**May Fair** The proceeds from the May Fair have risen to £877.98 and still some more to come. Terry

**NEWS OF THE FAMILY**

At the time of compiling this Wot's On Joan Kingham had been taken to Cheltenham Hospital, we send our love to her and remember her in our prayers. We are glad to report that Margaret Pengelly and Ronnie Harding are recovering well from their operations. Farida Barnes is back in Gloucestershire after her accident. We wish her a speedy recovery and send our love and best wishes to her and Eric. Lilla Jones is in considerable discomfort at present, we hope that she will find some relief from her pain soon. We send love and prayers to Jan Strutt who is still poorly and still waiting hospital results and also to Oscar Cullimore who continues with his on-going treatment.

Many of our members have been suffering with chest infections and nasty viruses and we hope that now summer is here they will all be fit and well again soon.

"How blessed I feel after all the cards, flowers and fruit, phone calls and visitors from friends from Dursley Tabernacle. Thank you, I feel much better after my foot operation and knowing how much you care. It is when you are on the receiving end that you realise how much support we all give each other. Ronnie."

Congratulations to Terry Larkham who celebrates his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June.

**SHARE A PRAYER AND MAKE OUR CHURCH A POWERHOUSE OF PRAYER**

Heavenly Father You have given us untold riches, friends and family to love beauty to enjoy and quiet spaces, keep us thankful all our days that against all odds, we will never lose sight of you, and we remember the wider world. give comfort O Lord to all those torn away from their homes and their loved ones by war, famine and cruelty of their fellow men. Grant that we who dwell secure in this insecure world maybe generous to care for our displaced sisters and brothers maimed and traumatised through watching brutality and victims of earthquakes, fires and mining disasters Lord in your kindness hold them fast.

**Please note that the telephone number for Mrs Joyce Longman is:- 01453 547559 and not the one as printed in the Members and Friends handbook.**

### **Youth Centre Update**

After a few delays over paperwork, the front garden is now being excavated and this should ease the situation with construction lorries on the church drive. Most of the internal space has been stripped out and, as yet, there are no terribly unpleasant surprises. The floor seems to be more stable than they expected, except for in one area where a little extra underpinning is going to be required. This is behind the kitchen/café area, where the new toilets will be.

No-one who has heard the creaking noises from below the hall floor will be surprised to learn that this was not as well supported as it should have been! Some new joists are being inserted to improve the safety of the floor, but extra costs should not be too significant and may well be largely offset by savings in other areas.

By the time What's On goes to print, the electricians will have begun the re-wiring, which should take about five weeks. A detailed timetable of room-by-room disruption will be publicised as soon as it is made available to us. The kitchenette will be out of action during the first week of June when the builders will be inserting a new partition, making the kitchenette slightly smaller, and knocking down the wall on the other side to enlarge the new Youth Centre kitchen space. This will create a lot of dust.... and more will follow soon afterwards when the old vestry door is blocked off and the new door at the bottom of the stairs is knocked through. A new combination lock is being installed on the Community Rooms so that Food Bank can operate safely and hygienically from there during this stage of the work.

Thanks to everyone for your patience with the ongoing construction work. If, at any time, anyone has any concerns or questions, please contact me on 07790 354111 or [caroleallen28@gmail.com](mailto:caroleallen28@gmail.com) Carole Allen

### **P3 Charity now working from the Tab**

This national community-based support charity is now offering a drop-in session in our Community Lounge every Tuesday from 12.30pm to 2.30pm.

The session aims to support adults from 16 upwards and can offer help with: **Maximising Benefits; Accessing Community Groups; Staying Independent; Getting back into education and training; Dealing with debts; Getting in touch with other agencies, assistance to find accommodation & maintaining existing accommodation.**

To find out more you can call into the Drop-in, call Freephone: 0808 168 2443 or call the Stroud office on 01453 750480.

If you, or anyone you know, could benefit from this type of support, why not drop in to the community lounge next Tuesday... or ask Carole Allen for more information.

**DISCIPLESHIP EXPLORED WEDNESDAYS, 7.30PM AT THE COURTYARD CAFÉ, BEGINNING MAY 14<sup>TH</sup> TO JULY 16<sup>TH</sup> (no meeting on May 28<sup>th</sup> and June 18<sup>th</sup>)**

Following on from the successful Christianity Explored Course, this is a series of meetings to explore living the Christian life. The course goes through Paul's letter to the Philippians and covers such topics as:

'How can I be sure I am a Christian?'

'What is life really about?'

'How can I grow as a Christian?'

'How can I enjoy being a Christian more?'

We will look at issues such as confidence in your faith, transformation and the work of the Holy Spirit, righteousness, knowing Christ, contentment, joy.

The evenings are designed to be informal, non-threatening and enjoyable with a mixture of presentation by Simon Helme, Minister at the Tab, and discussion (although no-one will be put on the spot and forced to say anything they don't want).

The Courtyard are kindly offering their premises free of charge (you will have to pay for your own drinks and cake!).

You may have been in church for years, or you may be only just beginning the Christian life. Whatever stage you are at, Discipleship Explored will help you understand what is involved in following Christ today, and encourage you to start walking confidently in his footsteps.

Please invite friends. A great opportunity to explore together.

For more info follow the link: [www.christianityexplored.org](http://www.christianityexplored.org) Or phone 0744 356 8242

**Dursley and Cam Child Contact Centre need new Co-Ordinators**

Are you a 'people person' who would like a satisfying role and enjoys working in a team? The Child Contact Centre needs new co-ordinators to run our centre on Saturday afternoons, once a fortnight. The involvement is on average about five hours a week. An honorarium is available.

For further information see notice on noticeboard or contact Simon or Beryl Gleich, 01453 546928.

**TAB KNITTING GROUP**

The Tabernacle knitting group meet on the second Tuesday afternoon each month in the Reception room at 2pm – 3.30pm and is continuing well with 14 ladies attending last month. If anyone is interested in joining us please speak to Ronnie or Sally or just come and join us and meet other knitters and you will be most welcome. We are knitting for Gloucester Royal Hospital Premature Baby Unit, The Cancer charity Cobalt Unit, and for a Ghana charity needing jumpers for children up to 12 years, and cot blankets for babies.

Donations of double knit and 4 ply wool and knitting needles in size 10, 9, 8, would be welcome.

**If you would have any information you would like put in future Wot's On please either speak to Gill Watts or send it by email.**

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Fri 6 Jun 7pm Gloucester Gallery Quire** Price £6 on the door Historical choir in costume, telling the history with their songs and instruments of the local area .

**Sat 14 Jun 12.30 onwards Tab Family BBQ Lunch**, no entry charge, hot dogs, ice cream, cakes, games, face painting, stalls and lots more. This is a family fellowship event so do come and have fun from 12.30 and you can see the world cup as well.

**Sat 12 July 7.30pm for 8pm till late at Stinchcombe Hill Manor House in stunning setting, Wine and Cheese Night**, fine food and choice of wine and beer great success last year so book your baby sitter. Tickets only £10 on sale in June get yours before they sell out for a memorable evening.

### **CONFERENCE ON THE HOLY SPIRIT at the Tab 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> October 2014**

individual lives and churches in the autumn, Friday evening 17<sup>th</sup> October and all day Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October. Revd Paul Stokes, a URC Minister will lead the conference. He will teach from a Reformed perspective, a biblical message to enrich and empower We are hoping to host a conference looking at the work of the Holy Spirit in the church to serve with joy. The teaching is based on the Dunamis Project, which other URCs have successfully used. See website: <http://www.dunamis.org.uk/> Confirmation of arrangements in future Wots on

### **PRAYER MINISTRY**

Every Sunday morning there is the opportunity to receive prayer ministry at the back of the church after morning worship. Our prayer team has been trained and has been in operation now for a year and offers a confidential listening and prayer service. Many people have been helped and encouraged by having a couple of people with whom they could share concerns, burdens and issues and receive their combined counsel and prayer. If you would prefer to have a private session with some members of the prayer team just ask Simon (tel 07946402954) or Martine (890432) to arrange a visit. We have been asked to pray for healing, especially for those with serious life threatening illnesses, for the blessing of houses and for those who have been disturbed or afraid. We have also taken communion to those who needed to know the presence and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Don't be afraid to ask.

**Rotas for June 2014**

Please swap any duty you are unable to do and inform Liz of any changes. Many thanks.

<b>Date</b>	<b>June 1</b>	<b>June 8</b>	<b>June 15</b>	<b>June 22</b>	<b>June 29</b>
<b>Duty Elder</b>	Rod Irvine	Martine Carter	Hiary Green	Martine Carter	Hilary Green
<b>Vestry Elder</b>	Martine Carter	Lionel Jones	Carole/Dennis Allen	Liz Swanwick	Ronnie Harding
<b>First Reading</b>	Caroline Stables	Shirley Welsh	Emma Irvine	Shirley Welsh	Jayne Parsons
<b>2 Reading</b>	Kathryn Palmer	Gordon Moir	Carole/Dennis Allen	Michael Weedon	Hilary Peacocke
<b>Door Duty</b>	Carole Bye Ronnie Harding	Gloria & Mike Pritchard	Michael & Mary Weedon	Gloria & Mike Pritchard	Mary & Michael Weedon
<b>Audio Desk</b>	Christine Welsh	Steve Dowle	Lionel Jones	Andy Spears	Lionel Jones
<b>Flower Arranger</b>	Christina Bye	Kathryn Palmer	Gloria Pritchard	Peggy Tresise	Veronica Harding
<b>Flower Distribution</b>	Enid Fullard	Hilary Green	Carole Bye	Ronnie Harding	Helene Dalrymple
<b>Welcome Team</b>	Helene Dalrymple Carole Bye Malcolm Harris	Shirley & Matt Welsh Ronnie Harding	John & Kathryn Palmer Peggy Tresise	Tarina Cieciora Julia Dowle	Iain Hearn Martine Carter Hilary Green
<b>Prayer Team</b>	John & Kathryn Palmer	Martine Carter Hilary Green	John & Kathryn Palmer	Jackie Pritchard Tarina Cieciora	Peggy Tresise Elaine Jones

**Communion Preparation: 1 June – Sally Larkham**

**Communion Servers: Rod Irvine, Lionel Jones, Carole/Dennis Allen, David Pritchard**



