



September 2014 Wot's On at DursleyTabernacle

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Tue 2 Sep 9.30am Prayer Group meet in the church all are welcome or if you would like us to pray for a friend or relative get in touch with Rev Helme or Gil or Vic Watts.

Wed 3 Sep 10-1pm Family Café meet in the church helpers needed

Fri 5 Sep 12pm Funeral of Jan Strutt

Sun 7 Sep 10.30am Communion Service led by Rev Simon Helme Theme: Hearing from God: Right focus. Readings: 1 Samuel 1.4-20; Hebrews 10.19-25

Tue 9 Sep 9.30am Prayer Group meet in the church.

Tue 9 Sep 10am Knitting Group Outing to American Museum .

Wed 10 Sep 10-1pm Family Café meet in the church.

Thu 11 Sep 7.30pm Elders meeting at the manse.

Sat 13 Sep The Great Churches Trust Annual Ride and Stride takes place. To take part see Dennis Allen who has sponsor forms.

Sun 14 Sep 10.30am led by Rev Simon Helme followed by Church Meeting Theme: Hearing from God: Listen Right, Do right. Readings: 1 Samuel 3.1-20

Tue 16 Sep 9.30am Prayer Group meet in the church.

Tue 16 Sep 2pm Women's Guild speaker Sarah Memory from Eastwood Park Prison. the afternoon is open to everyone.

Wed 17 Sep 10-1pm Family Café meet in the church.

Sat 20 Sep 2.30pm Wedding of Alice and Tim

Sun 21 Sep 10.30am led by Rev Simon Helme. Theme: Hearing from God: Guiding Right. Readings: 1 Samuel 8.4-11; 2 Corinthians 4. 13-5.1

Tue 23 Sep 9.30am Prayer Group meet in the church

Wed 24 Sep 10-1pm Family Café meet in the church

Sat 27 Sep 9.30am Coffee Morning hosted by Brian & Avril Lamming.

Sat 27 Sep 7.30pm Church Barn Dance

Sun 28 Sep 10.30am Harvest Thanksgiving led by Rev Simon Helme

Tue 30 Sep 9.30am Prayer Group meet in the church.

Sun 5 Oct 10.30am Communion Service led by Rev Simon Helme.

Sun 5 Oct 6pm Gloucester District URC Celebration Service with Guest Preacher: Revd Roy Lowes, Moderator of West Midlands Synod

FLOWERS FOR AUGUST WERE KINDLY GIVEN BY:-

Aug 3 Chas & Jean Jukes Aug 10 Gloria & Mike Pritchard Aug 17 Anne Noden

Aug 24 Pastorate Service at Sharpness Aug 31 Hilary Green Sept 7 Joyce Longman

Flowers are needed from 14 September onwards please see Ronnie Harding to donate.

PLEASE PLEASE CAN YOU HELP US!! We are looking for some people to help us with the delivery of the flowers after the Sunday Church Service. You can deliver them on Sunday or Monday during the day-time or in the evening, whenever is best for you. PLEASE CONTACT RONNIE HARDING ON DURSLEY 547080 OR HILARY GREEN ON DURSLEY 547191 OR SPEAK TO EITHER OF THEM IN CHURCH FOR MORE DETAILS.

NEWS OF THE FAMILY

We were sad to have heard of the death of one of our serving elders Mrs Jan Strutt. Jan had been ill for some time and has fought her disease with great strength and fortitude. During all this time her faith in her Saviour never wavered and she will be sorely missed. We send our love to her husband Gray and all her family and remember them in our prayers.

We shall all miss Chas Jukes who passed away on Aug 2 but we thank God for his long and full life in which he, together with his wife Jean touched so many lives in this church, the local community and over the wider world. Those of you who attended his memorial service must have been amazed at the wonderful tributes paid to him, as we heard of his involvement in the church, the Tabard Players, the Open Door Club, Rotary and his charity work for the National Eye Research Hospital and the Bristol Eye Hospital. We were all so proud of him when the Queen presented him with his MBE medal in 2010. It was a privilege to know him and our loving sympathy goes out to his dear wife Jean, his daughters, grandchildren, and great grandchildren, who will miss him most of all.

Eve Fellowes will be 94 on September 5th we send our love and best wishes to her. Eve is in Gloucester Hospital following a fall and breaking her hip. We hope she will be mobile again soon and miss her from our fellowship. Elise Fullard is recovering after an operation on her leg, Joy Strong is coping with a broken foot, and Eunice Davies has been quite poorly too.

We particularly remember Hazel Harris, Joan Whiting and Lilla Jones who have been unwell and are awaiting tests results. We hope all these members will soon be on the road to recovery.

Mary & Michael Weeden have now moved into their new home in Wotton-Under-Edge (their telephone number remains the same). We wish them best wishes in their new home.

Interested in becoming a church member? The Minister will be running a short course at the start of September to explore the identity of the United Reformed Church and what it means to be a member of it. All welcome. Please speak to Simon for further details; minister@dursleytab.org.uk or 07443568242

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Fri 26 & Sat 27 Sep Please bring fruit ,flowers and veg.and help to decorate the church for Harvest or give a donations to Ronnie Harding towards the cost .

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

'...news about him spread all the more...but Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed.' (Luke 16:15&16 NIV).

Lord Jesus, meet with us in the quiet places where we find you waiting to hear the prayers of your people.

Lord Jesus, meet with us in the quiet places where we find our hearts turned toward those who we know in our fellowship, in our community and in the wider world who we name in our hearts and who are suffering in body, mind or spirit.

Lord Jesus, meet with us in the quiet places where we find the peace of a quiet heart, bringing the assurance that all things work together for good for those who place their trust in you.

Lord Jesus, meet with us in the quiet places where we find we must be honest with ourselves and honest with you and confess our sins in thought, word and deed and, through your life given for us, receive the assurance of your forgiveness.

Lord Jesus, walk with us, down from the quiet places and into the busy world where still we will feel your presence and receive your promise of life in all its fullness.

Amen

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Thu 11 Sep 2:30pm at Berkeley Castle "William Tyndale and the Origins of the King James Bible" an illustrated talk which will be given by David Smith the Archivist and former Gloucestershire County Archivist on at the Jenner Museum.museum <http://www.jennermuseum.com/>

Further information and ticket reservations can be made by e-mail:info@edwardjenner.co.uk or by phone 01453 810631.

SUN 14 SEP AFTER MORNING WORSHIP NEXT CHURCH MEETING

Sun 14th Sep 2.30-4.30pm SHARPNESS URC OPEN DAY: Our fellow pastorate church at Sharpness are holding an open Afternoon to encourage the local community to come into the church and discuss what the future of the chapel may be. More information from Simon or Michele Everett 811419

Sat 20 Sep - Faithful and Free, supporting education in your community. The Free Church education committee invites you to a day to come together, learn more and take action. At Carrs Lane URC, Birmingham 10.00 am – 4.00pm. Booking required on 0203 651 8334.

CHURCH BARN DANCE – Saturday 27th September 7.30-11pm. Tickets £8.50 and £5 concessions, Supper included. Bring own bottle, soft drinks available. Live Band, stacks of fun for all the family. Tickets from Family Café or Emma Irvine (543760). All welcome – great to invite friends too!

Sat 27 Sep - The Big Bible Study, at Worcester Cathedral 10 am – 4 pm. Prayer, Study, Eat led by Dr Kathy Galloway, Head of Christian Aid Scotland, former leader of the Iona Community

Church Housegroups – will resume mid- September. If you would be willing to host or lead one – please speak to the minister. Details will be produced at the beginning of September once groups and themes have been finalised.

Leprosy Mission Coffee Morning. Thank you to all those who supported this event in any way, whether it was by attending, manning stalls or contribution to the stalls. £603.87p was raised by the sale of cards, items and by donations. Thank you all so much.

IGNITE is a two day conference at Dursley Tabernacle URC Friday 17th – Saturday 18th October 2014 exploring the person and work of the Holy Spirit from a Reformed Church Perspective.

The conference will be led by Revd Paul Stokes, a URC Minister currently serving at Plymstock United Church, and a national director of the Dunamis Project (visit www.dunamis.org.uk)

On Friday 17th October 7.30 – 9.15pm the evening session will look at *Introducing the Spirit*: looking at experiences of the Holy Spirit at work, our worldviews and how they affect our views; and who not what the Spirit as the third person of the Trinity is.

On Saturday 18th October the first morning sessions 10am to 11.15am will focus on *Understanding the Spirit: Great Expectations* – our need and Jesus' promise of the Holy Spirit; *Antiquity* – the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament; *Epiphany* – the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament. The second morning sessions 11.30am to 12.45pm will be about *Encountering the Spirit: Pentecost* – the Spirit's work in the early church; *Encompassing* – what the Holy Spirit does in our lives; *Clothed and Inhabited* – biblical distinctions about the Spirit's activity.

After a lunch break the final afternoon sessions 1.55 – 4pm will explore *Co-operating with the Spirit: Growing in the Spirit's power; Welcoming the Spirit's gifts.*

The Conference is open to all

No Admission Charge, though an offering may be taken for expenses

If you would like *child care for the Saturday sessions*, please contact the Church Office ASAP for further information: 01453 542344. More details from www.dursleytab.org.uk

Rotas for September 2014

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

Many thanks.

Date	7 th September	14 th September	21 st September	28 th September	5 th October
Duty Elder	Kathryn Palmer	Lionel Jones	Martine Carter	Hilary Green	Kathryn Palmer
Vestry Elder	Lionel Jones	Rod Irvine	Ronnie Harding	Rod Irvine	Lionel Jones
First Reading	Iain Hearn	Peggy Tresise	Gill Watts	Gordon Moir	Terry Larkham
2nd Reading	John Palmer	Terry Larkham	Lionel Jones	Shirley Welsh	John Harris
Door Duty	Carol Bye Ronnie Harding	Mary & Michael Weeden	Gloria & Mike Pritchard	Betty & Iain Hearn	Carol Bye Ronnie Harding
Audio Desk	Andy Spears	Steve Dowle	Rod Irvine	Christine Welsh	Andy Spears
Flower Distribution	Ronnie Harding	Shirley Welsh	Hilary Green	Peggy Tresise	Enid Fullard
Welcome Team	Helene Dalrymple Carole Bye Malcolm Harris	David Pritchard Chris Purnell Michelle Barnes	Tarina Cieriura Julia Dowle Ronnie Harding	John & Kathryn Palmer Peggy Tresise	Tarine Cieriura Julia Dowle
Prayer Team	Jackie Pritchard Tarina Cieriura	Peggy Tresise Elaine Jones	Martine Carter Hilary Green	Peggy Tresise Elaine Jones	Kathryn & John Palmer

Communion Preparation: Martine Carter

Communion Servers: Carole/Dennis Allen, David Pritchard, Kathryn Palmer, Terry Larkham

