

Prayer Breakfast. Each month, on the day of our communion service, all are invited to arrive at church a little earlier to share breakfast and a short time of prayer. We gather between 8.45 and 9.00 and the prayer time usually starts at about 9.30. If you have not joined us in the past, why not come along next Sunday?

Circuit Service. Our next Circuit Service will be on *Sunday 7th January 2018, 3.30pm* at Berkley Street, St Neots. The service will be followed by a tea. The theme is "fasting". Please read the letter from Rev James Bamber for more information.

Save the Date. *Saturday 10th February.* Church away-day at Ferrar House, Little Gidding. More details to follow.

Open the Book. As the new school term begins, our Open the Book team are preparing to start their fortnightly visits to the Junior Academy to present dramatised bible stories to the children. If you would like to find out how you can participate in this important ministry, please speak to Liz, Matt or Roz today.



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Notices for Sunday 31st December 2017

We welcome any visitors to our church today and pray you will find encouragement and comfort here. After the service has ended please feel free to join as friends for tea or coffee in the Sunday School Room. If you have any questions about the service or our church please speak to a member of the Leadership Team.

Your Leadership Team is:

**Rev Alan Taylor, Matt & Liz Coates,
Kate Paterson, Chrissy Adams & Martin Baker**

P Please remember parking is available at Greystones

If you have any items for inclusion in the notices, or prayer requests for future weeks, please call Matt on (01487) 830345 or email: notices@sawtrymethodist.org.uk before **Saturday midday**.

An online version of the notice sheet is always available at www.sawtrymethodist.org.uk

If anyone is in
Christ,
he is a new creation;
the old has gone,
the new *has come!*
2 Corinthians 5:17

Today	10:30am	Bring and Share
Wednesday	7:00pm	Growing Together in Faith
Saturday	9:30-11:00am	Coffee Morning
Next Sunday	8:45am	Prayer Breakfast
	10:30am	Rev Alan Taylor – Covenant Service, followed by Church Council
	3:30pm	Circuit Service – Berkley Street, St Neots

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- Our friends in the **Tempsford** congregation
- **Sawtry Infant School**
- **John & Jean Garner**
- **Steve Parnwell & family**
- **Lilla Amey**
- **Jessica Dickinson**
- **Keith Chivers & Family**
- **Thelma Baker**
- **Brenda Griffiths**
- **Sandra Gait and family**
- **John Steeden**
- **Pat & Dave Elliot**
- **Stan Langshaw**
- **"Growing Together with Sawtry"**

If you have any items for prayer, please speak to a member of the leadership team or send them to notices@sawtrymethodist.org.uk

Finance

Offertory: £77.31

Coffee after Service: £2.85

Building Fund Box: £ 0.71

Thank you for your generosity

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Next Saturday Coffee – Liz & Matt		Flowers – Trish
Next Sunday Door – Felicity & Allen		Vestry – John
	Coffee – Chris & Su	

Growing Together in Faith

Our next meeting, starting at 7pm on **Wednesday 3rd January**, will continue the Circuit advent study material "Changing Culture: Impacting Lives". All are welcome.

Molly Chivers. We were saddened to hear of the death, yesterday morning of our friend Molly Chivers. Our condolences to Molly's family. Details of the funeral to be announced.

Monty Gait. It was with sadness that we heard of the death of Monty on Wednesday 27th December in Thorpe Hall. Monty was a regular attender of our United Fellowship, travelling from Peterborough, together with his wife Sandra, a life time friend of Joy, our President. He was a great support and help to Joy in setting out the room ready for the meetings and especially with taking photos at special meetings/events. He has compiled a comprehensive album of the photos he has taken. The members of the Fellowship have missed him during the past few months and will continue to miss him and his contribution with the Fellowship. We offer Sandra and family our most sincere sympathy.

Church Council. There will be a very short meeting of the church council immediately after our Covenant Service next Sunday, 7th January. This is to discuss some items outstanding from our October meeting. All are warmly invited to attend.

Leprosy Mission. It's the time of year when I am happy to receive money from collecting boxes to send to The Leprosy Mission. If you can let me have a collecting box, or the money in it, sometime during January, I will be pleased to receive and send to the Mission. *John.*

Quote of the Week

"Glory to God in highest heaven, who unto man His Son hath given; while angels sing with tender mirth, a glad new year to all the earth."

Martin Luther