



Notices for Sunday 24th April 2022

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Sunday Worship

24th Apr 10:30am – Rev James Bamber
1st May 4:15pm – Afternoon Worship – Local Arrangement
8th May 10:30am – Rev Heather Walker
15th May 10:30am – Leonore Charlton

All services are also accessible via
Zoom for any who are unable to
attend in person.

Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/172859764>
Meeting ID: 172 859 764
Dial-in number: 0203 481 5240

All are invited to join us for worship each Sunday. For the time being, any adults attending worship are requested to wear face coverings for singing.

Easter Offering to the Methodist World Mission Fund. Due to an oversight, the Easter offering envelopes were not given out last weekend, so please take one this week, add your offering and return it, along with your regular Sunday offering, by Sunday 8th May.

Pray & Do. Saturday 30th April. The session will start, as usual, at 12 noon with a picnic lunch in the hall (please bring your own food; tea and coffee will be provided), followed by a short time of prayer, before getting on with some much-needed cleaning and tidying, finishing around 4pm. Please come along for as much or as little of the afternoon as you are able.

Monday United Fellowship. 2:00pm, Monday 25th April. All are welcome.

Boardgames Café. Our next boardgames evening will be on Friday 6th May, starting at 7:30pm, and continuing on the first and third Fridays of each month. All are welcome – bring a friend.

Christian Aid Week – The Big Brekkie. In aid of this year's Christian Aid week, we will be hosting a breakfast on Saturday 21st May during our normal coffee morning time. Some extra helpers will be needed to prepare and serve the breakfast, so please speak to Kate if you can help.

Testimony Service for Rev Sue Baker-Maher, Friday 20th May, 7:30pm, at St Neots Methodist Church. Please do try to come along to support Sue in this important moment in her ministry. Get in touch with a member of the Leadership Team if you would like a lift.

This Week's Bible Readings

Acts 5:27-32

Psalm 150

Revelation 1:4-8

John 20:19-31

Please use these readings in your personal devotions this week.

Methodist Women in Britain East Anglia Spring District Day. St Ives Methodist Church, Thursday 12th May, 10.15am for coffee, 11am start. Speaker Sandra Goodwin, past MWiB Connexional President. More details are on the poster in the porch. Everyone welcome.

Giving. As previously reported, the last two years have been very challenging for our church finances, and we are grateful to those who have continued to give faithfully by bank transfer, cheque or cash on a Sunday morning. According to the financial projection that was presented at our Church Council meeting last month, for the first time in several years, our income this year will be about in line with expenditure. However, our reserves are quite depleted and need to be rebuilt, so please think and pray about additional giving or any fundraising ideas that you could put into practice to help towards this.

Light a Candle for Ukraine. Depending on the availability of volunteers, we will continue to open up the church a few times each week to allow anyone who so wishes to come in to light a candle and say a prayer for Ukraine. The church will be open at various times through the week, as well as during our coffee morning on Saturday. Please do drop in during one of these times if you are able. We are also looking for more volunteers who would be willing to be around to welcome any visitors, so please get in touch with a member of the leadership team if you are able to help.

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- The ongoing situation in **Ukraine**
- Our friends in the **Berkley Street** congregation
- **St Benedict's Catholic Community**
- **Roz Rowland**
- **Brian Rodger**
- **Ilya** (a colleague of Kate's with family members in Ukraine)
- **Anya Chaika** (a colleague of Alan's with family members in Ukraine)
- **Michelle** and **Jade** (friends of Sarah)
- **Stephanie** (a friend of Alexis)
- **Cathy** (a friend of Jo's)
- **Mary Watkins** (a friend of Roz)
- **John & Jean Garner**
- **Irene Taylor-Peach**
- **Tim Baker** (Martin's Brother)
- **Alicia Nicholls**
- **Donna and Jake Johnson**
- **Eleanor and Gary Kernaghan**
- **Hannah** (Jo's niece)

If you have any items for prayer, please call 01487 830345 or send them to notices@sawtrymethodist.org.uk