



ST. MARK'S METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday 6th October 2024

Collect for the for the Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Blessed are you, O Lord, and blessed are those who observe and keep your law. Help us to seek you with our whole heart, to delight in your commandments and to walk in the glorious liberty given us by your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we make our prayer. **Amen.**

From the Methodist Prayer Handbook: Praying with Christians in Southern Africa and Britain.

*Grant us, O God, to pass each day in gladness and peace, without stumbling and without stain, that reaching the eventide victorious over all temptation, we may again praise you, the eternal God, blessed over all things now and forever. **Amen** (Mozarabic Sacramentary, 10th century)*

Morning Service 10.30am Denise Baugh

Live-stream link for morning service: <https://youtube.com/live/lmSylxlol70?feature=share>

Please join us for refreshments in the hall after the service.

Order of Service

Call to worship

Hymn: StF 471 Lord, I come to you

Prayer

All-age talk

Hymn: StF 157 God has spoken – by his prophets

Prayer

Readings: Psalm 8

Hebrews 1 v1-4, 2 v5-12

Hymn: StF 112 O Lord, our Lord, throughout the earth

Talk

Hymn: StF 272 From heaven you came

Offering prayer

Prayers of intercession

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: StF 345 And can it be

Blessing



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Notices

Tuesday 8th October 10:00 – 12:00 Tuesday Coffee Morning in the Church. All Welcome.

14:00 – 16:00 Open Fellowship in the small hall

Wednesday 9th October 9:00 – 10:00 Ecumenical Communion Service at Bishop's Cleeve Methodist Church

9:30 - 11:30 Toddlers in the Church.

Thursday 10th October 10:00 – 11:00 Messy Church planning meeting in the small hall

Friday 11th October 19:00 – 20:00 Lamplighters' Music Practice

Sunday 13th October 10:30 Rev Rachel Leather, Music Sunday and Holy Communion

Advance Notices

Thursday 17th October 14:30 – 16:00 House Group at Sheila's

19:30 – 21:30 Stewards' Meeting at church

Monday 21st October 14:00 – 15:30 Pastoral Visitors' Meeting at church

Other Notices

Open Fellowship

Now that Tuesday Fellowship has finished in its original format, we still want to meet for fellowship from time to time, so hope to see you on 8th at 2pm in the small hall.

Breakfast Service

We have a **Breakfast Service** planned for Sunday 20 October at 9.00am in the main hall. Some of the stewards have volunteered to be on duty on that day. If anyone is able to make a light breakfast (cereal and toast and a brew) please let one of the stewards know as soon as possible.

Thank you. The stewards

Six Inches of Soil

On Sunday 20th October, Bethesda Methodist Church, (Great Norwood Street, Cheltenham), will be hosting a screening of the film "**Six Inches of Soil**".

Presented by David Morrissey, the film tells the story of remarkable farmers, communities, small businesses, chefs and entrepreneurs who are leading the way to transform how our food is produced and consumed.

The film screening will start at 6:30pm, admission is free, although donations welcome. It will be followed by refreshments and a discussion on the issues it raises for all of us.

A Circular Walk

Enjoy the company of others who care about the work of Christian Aid.

On: Saturday 19th October 2024

Meet at: Brizen Young Peoples' Centre

Up Hatherley Way, Cheltenham GL51 4BB

9.45 am for 10 am start

A flat circular walk of approximately 5 miles visiting Shurdington and Up Hatherley churches

An opportunity for socialising and fellowship.



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IMPORTANT

If you plan to come, please contact Heather for any last minute details.
email address hjm44hatherley@yahoo.co.uk or mobile number 07512 135391.

Teams4u

Christmas shoe boxes covered in Christmas wrapping paper will be available from next week (Sunday 13 October) for a donation of 50p. They can be filled with lovely presents to be sent to children and families abroad. More details are on the leaflets which are inside the boxes.. The boxes will need to be returned to church by Sunday 3 November. Thank you. Judith



Needs at present:

Many thanks to all who are contributing regularly to our boxes by the two entrances to our building. Below is a list of Foodbank present needs:

Soup - cans or packets
Instant mash, instant noodles and instant rice
Savoury snacks
Toilet paper, washing up liquid, washing powder
(Powder or capsules please. Not Liquid)
Tinned hot and cold meats, fish
Biscuits, chocolates/sweets
Desserts - hot or cold, packets, cans, rice
Tins - fruit, vegetables, tomatoes, baked beans
Drinks - long life milk, long life Juices, squash, tea and coffee
Baby Items - Nappies (sizes 6 and 7), baby wipes, baby food - jars, packets
Toiletries - shower Gel, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap

Our boxes for donations to the foodbank are at our two entrances. Thank you for all your continuing help.