

Timperley Methodist Church

What's On

July & August 2008

Welcome to the monthly information sheet listing events, meetings and services taking place at Timperley Methodist Church.

July

Tues 8th 7.30pm Management Meeting

Thurs 17th 8.00pm Holiday Club Meeting

Sun 13th 6.30pm Café Sundae

Topic – "My Precious..." God and Bling

The café is open from 6.20pm until the end of the service (about 7.30) selling fair trade drinks & snacks. Music and big screen.

Web site - www.cafesundae.co.uk

Please note there is no Café Sundae in August



August

Fri 1st 2.00pm – 4.00pm Bowling Club Garden Party

Tickets £1.50 includes refreshments. Bring and Buy Stall. Event will be held indoors if wet. For ticket call Jean Griffen 980 1643 or Phyllis Stuffins 980 2955.

September

Fri 5th 7.30pm Rev Andrew Bradley Welcome Service
Refreshments after Service

Thurs 11th 7.30pm Luncheon Club Cooking Team Meeting

Sun 14th 9.15am New Year Church Breakfast

Fri 26th Macmillam Coffee Morning
Details to follow

Sun 28th 10.45am Harvest Festival
8.00pm New Service for 20s & 30s called "Difference"

July Services

Sun 6th	9.30am 10.45am	Rev Kevin Johnson (Holy Communion) Rob Bee
Sun 13th	10.45am 6.30pm	Rev Bruce Thompson (Christening) Café Sundae
Sun 20th	10.45am	Rev Brenda Shaw (Holy Communion)
Sun 27 th	10.45am 6.30pm	Rev David Hardman (Christening) Circuit Farewell Service for Rev Joss Bennett At Bowdon Vale Methodist Church

August Services

Sun 3 rd	9.30am 10.45am	Rev Kevin Johnson (Holy Communion) Will Sudworth
Sun 10 th	10.45am 6.30pm	Weslie White Rev Kevin Johnson
Sun 17 th	10.45am	Rev Brenda Shaw (Holy Communion)
Sun 24 th	10.45am	David Lloyd
Sun 31 st	10.45am 6.30pm	Rev Kevin Johnson(Christening) Rob Bee

The deadline for items for the September edition of What's On is Sunday 24th August. This will contain events happening in September and October (there will be no What On in August). If you are holding an event at Timperley Methodist Church and would like it publicised here please contact the editors.

What's On is not just for church members but for all the people and groups that use the church premises. E-mail: whatson@timperleymethodist.org.uk, or contact Abigail Earle on 929 8022, or place items in the E pigeon hole.

What's On is also available on the church website as a PDF(Adobe Acrobat) file.
www.timperleymethodist.org.uk

Notice Board

United Utilities and OFWAT have decided to change the way they charge for collection of surface water.

Churches used to be exempt from these charges but under the new rules are classed as businesses and are to be charged on the square metres of the site

For Timperley this means our water charges are to increase from £600 to £6000 over three years. We have registered a complaint and spoken to local council representatives but need to push this further.

There is an online petition available that will be sent to the Prime Minister If you have an email address please let the stewards know ASAP what it is and we will forward the link to you.

If you don't have access to a computer we still need your support to spread the word so ask friends if they will support the petition the link needed - <http://petitions.pm.gov.uk/ChurchWaterBills>
the signature count is currently over 20,000.

Circuit News

This has been quite an eventful year in the life of the Circuit with many changes and more to come in the near future. My thanks are to Circuit Stewards and Church Stewards who, along with Local Preachers, have helped by offering themselves to cover more than perhaps is expected.

Rev Joss Bennett and family will be leaving the Circuit after five years and taking up a new appointment in the Stockport Circuit. We thank Joss for her ministry amongst us and there will be a Farewell Service at Bowdon Vale on Sunday evening July 27th. Rev Andrew Bradley his wife Steph and the children will be arriving in August to take pastoral responsibility for Timperley and Bowdon Vale. This is a whole new adventure for them, getting to know new people and leaving others. Andrew's Welcome Service will be at Timperley on Friday Sept 5th. Please come along to both services

Rev Brenda Shaw has been working in the Circuit, giving support at Timperley over the last twelve months and we have been extremely grateful for her ministry and we will thank Brenda during the Welcome Service in Sept. Brenda will be moving to give similar support to another Circuit within the District

Duncan Rutter completes his time as Circuit Steward and thanks to him. From September we will have two Circuit Stewards representing the two sections of the Circuit. At the time of writing we are still looking to appoint a Circuit Family Worker beginning in September. We are also hoping to 'let out' the Hale Manse and work will be needed to be done to prepare it for a tenant.

The project to transform the Church Buildings at Hale continues as we work with a partner developer (Housing Association) to provide a new Community Space along with affordable housing, all on the same site. This is an exciting venture and one which I hope the Circuit will support in many different ways. At some point in the (hopefully) near future while the work is carried out, the congregation at Hale will need to re-locate and find ways of keeping their identity. This is one of many challenges and opportunities before us.

We have also continued to talk with Sale and Stretford Circuits about finding ways to work closer together and share resources. One simple step has been to make our Circuit Plans together and share our Local Preachers. My thanks go to the Local Preachers and especially those 'on Trial' and studying towards Accreditation (Will, Wes, Dave, Wilsie and Carla). It is a very demanding course and they have worked hard in their studies. Please offer them every encouragement in their ministry.

So much has happened and so much more to do, I pray that God will give us the grace and the strength to seek his kingdom and share his love to the world around us.

Yours in Christ
Kevin

Church Council Minutes

Copies of the June Church Council Minutes are now available in the Cornerstone for anyone to read.