

## **Blandford Methodist Church: Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August**

Good morning, and a very warm welcome to our Morning Worship which is being led by Reverend Sue Litchfield. The Stewards are Sheila and Andy Besant and Stephanie Bishop. Thank you to Becky Gransden for the flowers. When the candle is lit at the front of the church before the start of the service, may we ask you to remain silent as you prepare yourselves for our time of worship.

**Today's bible readings are:** Jeremiah 23:23-29, Hebrews 11:29 to 12:2 and Luke 12:49-56

### **Events Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> August**

Tuesday	12.30 pm	Lunch Club
Thursday	10.00 am	Coffee Morning
Friday	12.30 pm	Lunch Club
Sunday	10.45 am	Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Reverend Elizabeth Rundle

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**Bible in One Year:** 19<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> August: Psalms 103 – 119:88 and 1 Corinthians 2 – 7

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### **Diary Dates:**

Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> August	Reverend Pauline Crispin's welcome service, to be held at Wimborne Methodist at 7.00 pm. All welcome.
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> September	Ride and Stride, 10.00 am – 6.00 pm
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Ecumenical service to be held at the Parish Church at 10.30 am
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival followed by harvest lunch
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Salvation Army Carol Service, 3.00 pm

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**Welcome service for Reverend Pauline Crispin:** This will be held at Wimborne Methodist on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August at 7.00 pm. The service will be led by Reverend Nigel Deller and the preacher will be Dr Andrew Wood. If anyone would like a lift to Wimborne, please have a word with one of the stewards.

**Ride and Stride:** This year's event is on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September. For anyone new to it, the idea is that you walk or cycle between a number of churches, and you seek sponsors: the proceeds are half for the Dorset Historic Churches Trust, half for our church. We received a grant from the DHCT towards the cost of our refurbishment a while ago. Jean Peck has taken part for several years, and hopes to do so again. Let me know if you would like to follow her example. But also - we aim to keep the Winterborne Lounge staffed between the opening hours of 10.00 am and 6.00 pm. There is a list in the Narthex: please sign up if you are willing to help in this way, for a period of an hour or two. *Grahame Downer*

**Latest from Zambia:** Thank you again for all your support and encouragement over the past year, on so many levels, enabling the Family Futures Community School to move forward significantly. Copies of the Future Pillars Zambia August 2019 Newsletter are soon to be available in the Narthex for detailed updates of all our activities. *Becky and Barry Gransden*

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**Prayer:** Please can we continue to uphold in prayer those members of our congregation who we know are ill or suffering in some way.

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### **Prayer for the week:**

When have God's ways left you confused? How does it help to know God's ways are not our own? *Heavenly Father, I praise You for the wisdom of Your ways. Help me to trust You and walk humbly with You today.*

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