Blandford Methodist Church: Sunday 6th November

Good morning and a warm welcome to our morning worship which is being led by Mr Rob White. The stewards today are John Cornish, Jean Peck and Margaret Cornish. Thank you to Angela Walden for playing for us and thank you also to Angela for the flowers. Following the service, please do stay for refreshments in the hall.

Dates for your diary:		
Sunday 13 th November	10.45 am	Remembrance Day Service led by Mr Brian Skelley
Sunday 27 th November	3-00pm	Circuit Advent tea and service at Ringwood
Wednesday 30 th November	10.00 am	Advent Bible Study, Okeford Room
Friday 2 nd December	10-00am	Holiday at Home
Saturday 3 rd December	8.30 am	Monthly prayer meeting, Holtwood Methodist
Sunday 4 th December	3-00 pm	Salvation Army Carol Concert
Wednesday 7 th December	10.00 am	Advent Bible Study, Okeford Room
Sunday 11 th December		Carols on the Green
Wednesday 14 th December	10.00 am	Advent Bible Study, Okeford Room
Sunday 18 th December	10-45 am	Carol Service at Methodist Church
Sunday 18 th December	11-00 am	Christingle Service in the Parish Church
Wednesday 21 st December	10.00 am	Advent Bible Study, Okeford Room
Sunday 25 th December	10-00 am	Christmas Day Service, Blandford Methodist
		Church
Sunday 8 th January	10-45 am	Covenant Service

Bible in a year: 6^{th} - 12^{th} November: Jeremiah 37 – 52 and Hebrews 3 – 9

Advent Bible Study: Advent bible studies will take place at Blandford every Wednesday for four sessions beginning on the 30th November at 10.00 am.

Salvation Army Carol Concert: After a break of two years due to Covid restrictions, we are absolutely delighted to be able to welcome back the Salvation Army on 4th December at 3.00 pm for their annual Christmas Carol Concert which is a wonderful start to our Christmas celebrations. This is always very well attended and we are delighted to be able to offer light refreshments after the concert. To assist with the organisation of refreshments, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex requesting help from church members by either making or buying mince pies and sausage rolls and also asking for help on the day.

In due course we will be asking for help to decorate the church and set up the hall for the refreshments after the concert. *Margaret Cornish*

Church Carol Service, 18th December: Some of us thought it would be lovely for those who enjoy singing to get together to sing a carol at our carol service on the 18th December. If you would like to join the group – and everyone and any ability is welcome to come and sing –

then please can you let me know and we will sort out times and dates for getting together to practice. Probably this would be meeting before the Sunday service, but it can be discussed. Also, if you have a carol that you would like to sing (preferably one that isn't normally sung in a carol service), then also let me know. Hoping you'll join us for a cracking sing!

Margaret Cornish

Woodlands Methodist:

A Service of Remembrance will be held at Woodlands at 6.00 pm on 13th November. Skittle evening, Friday 25th November, 7.30 pm.

Further details of both evenings can be found on the posters in the hall.

Calling all musicians and singers: On the first Sunday in Advent, 27th November, there will be a Circuit Advent Service at Trinity United Church in Ringwood. The service will be at 4.00 pm, following a share of puddings at 3.00 pm. If you are available and would like to play an instrument or help lead the singing during the service, please contact Peter Aston on 01202 825195 (peter@peter-aston.co.uk).

Christmas Day Meal: For those who are own their own whether they are single or a couple the church is opening for Lunch at 12.30 pm on Christmas Day. The cost is £5.00 and booking with payment is essential. Contact Joyce Wild on 07817 505543.

Crowe Hill Methodist: A prayer ministry training/refresher morning will be held at Crowe Hill Methodist on Saturday 19th November, from 8.30 am. This provides basic training for anyone who would like to be equipped to offer to pray for others in prayer ministry or wants to explore this possibility. Further details can be found on the poster in the hall.

For Sale: Yamaha keyboard for sale. In excellent condition. Contact Joyce Wild if interested.

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

If you know of anyone who would like prayer and be mentioned by name in The Link, please let me know (having obtained their permission first to mention them by name).

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