

## **Blandford Methodist Church: Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April**

Good morning and welcome to our Morning Worship which is being led by Mrs Joyce Wild. The stewards today are John Cornish and Alan and Margaret Dymond. After the service, please join us in the hall for refreshments.

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### **Dates for your diary:**

Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Reverend Dr Mark Kimber
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	10.45 am	Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Reverend Peter McNeill
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Rob White
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	10.45 am	Local arrangement service
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	10.45 am	Church Anniversary led by Reverend Dr Mark Kimber followed by lunch in the hall
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Colin Besant
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Reverend Peter McNeill

**Today's reading:** John's Gospel Chapter 20 verses 26 - 31 (page 1089)

**Colehill Methodist: Every Monday, 11.00 am to 12.00 noon(ish), Bible Study, coffee, prayers and plenty of chat. All welcome. NOTE: There is no bible study on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April.**

**Circuit prayers:** First Saturday of every month at 8.30 am at Holtwood Methodist Church.

**Bible in a year:** 12<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> April: 1 Samuel 19 – 2 Samuel 5 and Luke 11:29 - 14

**Meet Reverend Dr Mark Kimber:** Most Fridays Mark will be available in the Okeford Room from 10.00 am to 11.00 am for anyone who wishes to have a chat with him. However, on the third Friday of each month there will be a session entitled 'Meeting with Mark' to which you are cordially invited.

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April** is the third Friday of this month which means Mark will hold his session from 10.00 am in the Okeford Room. All welcome.

**Easter Offerings:** This year, the Methodist Church is supporting the work of the World Church, helping to transform the lives of vulnerable men, women and children through partnerships around the globe. If you would like to contribute, please use the Easter Offering Envelopes for your **cash** donation. These can be found on the table in the Narthex.

If you are able to Gift Aid your gift, this adds 25p to every £1 you give at no extra cost to you. Please ensure envelopes are **returned today, Sunday 12th April** at the latest, then they will be passed to David Wild, our Treasurer. Thank you.

*Joyce Wild*

**Church Anniversary and Gift Day:** The 17<sup>th</sup> May is our Church Anniversary and we are also, as a church, having a Gift Day. On Sundays 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> May envelopes will be distributed to every member of the congregation. These envelopes should be returned on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>. They will clearly be marked Gift Day so as not to confuse anyone with their routine weekly giving. The money raised from this Gift Day will specifically be used for the refurbishment of the Winterborne Lounge which is the first room most people enter and see. It is hoped to replace the blinds, add a dado rail and repaint under the dado rail, purchase new chairs and tables. We can only accomplish this with your generosity. Many thanks in anticipation.

*John and Joyce (Church Stewards)*

**Woodlands Methodist:** Worship For You, Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April, 6.00 pm. This is a first for street pastors from Bournemouth to come to Woodlands Methodist, so come and join us to hear what it is all about.

**Woodlands Methodist:** 'Call my Bluff' – fun quiz on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30 pm. Tickets available by calling Brian or on the door. Further details on the poster in the hall.

**Blandford Foodbank is urgently** in need of (updated 8.4.26) – Cereal, Jam, Marmalade, Pasta sauces, Tinned meat, UHT milk, Rice, Tinned carrots, Washing up liquid. Other donations of food or household goods are also welcomed. For those able to support the Foodbank with items, a box has been placed in the Narthex as a collection point.

*John Cornish*

**Prayer:** Please can we remember to uphold in prayer those members of our congregation 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).

**Minister:** Reverend Dr Mark Kimber

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