WORSHIP RESOURCES

GNB Good News Bible H&P Hymns & Psalms

MHB Methodist Hymn Book

MP Mission Praise

MSB Methodist Service Book
MWB Methodist Worship Book

NIV New International Version Bible NRSV New Revised Standard Version

SOF Songs of Fellowship StF Singing the Faith

Amersham Methodist Circuit

Amersham High Street

Chesham

Deanway Utd



Gerrards Cross

Little Chalfont

Prestwood

PLAN INFORMATION

Can all requests for the September to November 2024 plan be to sent to the Circuit Administrator Lu Gigg by 01 August 2024.

(email: amcircuitmethodist@gmail.com).



"Go and make disciples"

(Matthew 28)

Plan

June to August 2024

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Rev'd E Adam Wells Monday

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The Ministers are always willing to be called in pastoral emergencies.

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AMERSHAM HIGH STREET

StF, GNB, H&P, MWB, NRSV Mission Praise volumes 1 and 2

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CHESHAM

StF, H&P, NIV, MWB, Mission Praise volume 1(words), Partners in Praise, Own compilation song book. Access to other editions of Modern Hymn Books with CCL licence.

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H&P, MP volume 1, BBC Songs of Praise Hymnbook, NIV

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GERRARDS CROSS

H&P, StF, SOF volume 1, NIV, MSB, MWB (Communion and Covenant section). 'Electronic' version of MWB and a church copyright licence which covers the church for reproducing words and music.

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LITTLE CHALFONT

StF, SOF volume 1, NRSV, MWB, CCL and MRL licences give access to songs not in SOF volume 1

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PRESTWOOD

StF, H&P, Partners in Praise, SOF, NIV Bible, MWB, MWB Children's edition. CCL licence & overhead projector gives access to MP, and other modern hymnbooks.

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WHAT'S ON

Gerrards Cross



Music and Make - 2nd and 4th Tuesdays 10.30am to 12.00noon

Movers and Shakers every Wednesday 10.30am to 1.00pm

Little Chalfont

Tuesday Fellowship/Cell Group, alternate weeks from 2.30pm

Coffee Stop every Wednesday from 10.30am

Chat 'n' Craft every second Friday of the month 10.30am to 12.00noon

Coffee Morning first Saturday in every month from 10.30am.

Prestwood

Friendship Club third Wednesday each month 2.15pm to 3.15pm with tea beforehand.

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Message from Rev'd James Patterson

Dear friends,

Wow, what a year it's proving to be! As I write this, it is only a couple of days before I wed the love of my life Angela at St Martin-in-the-Fields in London, and a month before I am ordained in Yorkshire. I want to start by thanking you all for your support and love through these major milestones of my life, it means so much!

This year marks 10 years exactly since I received a note to preach in the Cleveland and Danby Circuit. Prior to this, people had started asking me 'Have you ever thought about becoming a minister?' to which my reply was always 'NO!'; so I started my own business doing graphic design. People who knew me well and I trusted suggested that I test this call by becoming a Local Preacher, as I would need to be a preacher in order to candidate as a minister. So I spoke to my superintendent who said "I've been waiting for you to do this..." It was like everyone knew that I should do this before I did!!

After the candidating process for a year, in 2019 I started 3 years of training at the Queen's Foundation. I was somewhat of a guinea pig with a new training pathway that meant I would be working closely with two churches in Birmingham whilst also doing my studies for a couple of days a week. This was the best thing for me, though Covid (remember that!) did get in the way. The other good thing of course was meeting Angela there too! We left there in 2022 and I came here to this Circuit.

I couldn't have asked for a better place to start my ministry, and I mean that! I was asked recently 'What makes you joyful in ministry?' My response was 'The people'. It is a joy serving with you, it has been a joy getting to know you, and it will be a joy to continue to get to know you as we journey together as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Again, thank you. I ask for your prayers over the coming months please, especially as Angela and I settle into married life. But please be assured of our prayers and love for you all.

Every blessing,

James.

Chesham

Movers and Shakers every Monday at 9.30am

Hobbies Club every Monday from 1.30pm

First Monday Club, monthly from 2.00pm

Tuesday Group on 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month at 2.00pm

C2C Film Club on first Wednesday of each month at 2.15pm

Treasured Memories Club, 3rd Friday each month 2.00pm to 4.00pm

Rainbows every Friday from 5.30pm to 6.30pm

Players every Friday from 7.45pm to 9.30pm

Deanway United

Date for your diaries! Saturday 23 November 2024

Deanway will be hosting their annual Christmas Coffee Morning and Sale in aid of Circuit and Church charities and all are welcome.

WHAT'S ON



Circuit Events



Prayer Meeting

Every Thursday morning from 10.00 am to 11.00 am on Zoom. All are welcome and may join and leave the meeting at any time in the hour.

For further details please contact tinahillas@gmail.com.

Amersham High Street

Monday Bible Study currently planned for 03 June and 17 June at 10.00am. More dates to be arranged.

Open Door/Coffee Morning every Wednesday, all are welcome.

Coffee from 10.00am to 12.00pm and lunch from 1.00pm to 2.00pm.

Ploughman's Lunch at 12.00pm on Monday 15 July 2024 and all are welcome.

Friday Fun and Friendship last Friday each month from 2.30pm. Join us for:

28 June 2024 - Hand-bell Ringing with Joan Fox26 July 2024 - "Tales of the Elizabethan Underworld"30 August 2024 - A musical afternoon with Becky Vere

A Tribute to Revd Cesar Guidi from Pam Sitford

I can't remember the very first time I met Cesar. He joined the Amersham Circuit as a Supernumerary Minister, having taken early retirement from his circuit in Rickmansworth. I believe Vaughan was the Superintendent at that time, although dates are a little hazy!

Dates aside, Cesar settled among us. Still being fairly young, he took on the role of Pastoral Assistant, relieving the minister of some of the Pastoral Care and Visiting. He did this until he reached full retirement age and having stepped down then took on various other things across the Circuit, eventually becoming Local Preacher Secretary and Tutor.

I remember working with Cesar on the course "Time to Talk of God" and doing a Lent Course with him at Gerrards Cross, which meant taking sessions in people's homes rather than the church. These were the times when we could talk together about the life and mission of the church, a time when I learnt the more serious side of Cesar and what serving God really meant to him.

Then there were the more social times when I saw another, fun side of Cesar. He loved music, choral singing and had a real love of nature. He was so helpful when we redesigned High Street's garden, where we have planted a rosemary bush in his memory.

I think his love of God's world is the thing that I will remember most about Cesar. He had a lovely garden, where we spent time together planning our courses. This is all reflected in the words of Psalm 104:25, which he chose for his service "Yonder is the sea both great and wide creeping things innumerable are there, these look to you to give them food in season".

Cesar was a great advocate for the Ecology of the World and it was a pleasure to share these things with him.

Best of all, he was a true friend, always interested in the person, ready to listen and advise. We mourn his passing but we give thanks for a life well lived and for the privilege of having shared that life.

Pam

Amersham Methodist Circuit Plan June to August 2024

Date		02-Jun	09-Jun	16-Jun	23-Jun	30-Jun	07-Jul	14-Jul	21-Jul	28-Jul	04-Aug	11-Aug	18-Aug	25-Aug
Sunday		Ordinary 9	Ordinary 10	Ordinary 11	Ordinary 12	Ordinary 13	Ordinary 14	Ordinary 15	Ordinary 16	Ordinary 17	Ordinary 18	Ordinary 19	Ordinary 20	Ordinary 21
YouTube Editing		Appleby	Live Stream	Field	Williamson	Live Stream	Field	Appleby	Williamson	Field	Williamson	Appleby	Wells	Field
Circuit YouTube Thought		Patterson	Live Stream	Prior	Wells	Live Stream	Wells	Wells	Patterson	Patterson	Patterson	Wells	Wells	Patterson
Amersham High Street	9.30 am	Patterson	CS @ CMC	Patterson HC	Jebb CA @ 3pm	OS @ LCMC	Patterson	Patterson HC	Smith	CS @ LCMC	Patterson	Sitford	Swarbrick HC	Patterson
Chesham	11am	Patterson	Norris CS - WCS and EO		@ URC	OS @ LCMC	Patterson HC	Wells	Sitford ECO	CS @ LCMC	Patterson HC	Wells		@ URC
Chesham	6pm			Sheppard									Patterson	
Deanway United Church	11am	Wells HC	CS @ CMC	Prior	Smith	OS @ LCMC	Prior HC	Powell	Smith	CS @ LCMC	Wells HC	Patterson		
Gerrards Cross	9.30am		CS @ CMC					Wells HC				Wells HC		
Gerrards Cross	11am	Sitford		Hoskin	Wells HC	OS @ LCMC	Smith		@ URC	CS @ LCMC	Sheppard		Patterson	Wells
Little Chalfont	9.30 am	Wells		Wells HC			Wells		Patterson HC		Wells		Wells HC	
Little Chalfont	11am		CS @ CMC			OS @ 4.00pm		Hoskin		Byass CS - AWC		Sheppard		Smith
Little Chalfont	6pm				Wells Con									
Prestwood	11am	LA	CS @ CMC	Patterson HC	Patterson	LA	Wells	Patterson HC	Patterson	CS @ LCMC	Sitford	LA	Swarbrick HC	Patterson

ABBREVIATIONS

Chesham Methodist Church

EO

Easter Offering

Service taking place at All We Can @ AWC Con Contemplative Service HC Holy Communion URC United Reformed Church Local Arrangement CS Circuit Service **WCS** World Church Sunday LA Church Anniversary ECO ECO Service LCMC Little Chalfont Methodist Church CA

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Ordination Service (livestream)

CMC