

Notices

Tuesday 27th July - 3.45pm at New Road Methodist Church Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Pam Cook.

Wednesday 12 noon – Bible Study meet to decide if to restart this monthly Bible Study. All are welcome

Saturday 31st July – 10.00 am - Men's Breakfast

Sunday 25th July 10.30am - Local Arrangement

Collection last week £119.40

Flowers:- From last week

Easing of Lockdown

Please feel free to wear a mask in church if you feel more comfortable, some may like to wear when entering and leaving, but remove when seated.

We can sing, but it has been suggested that this may be better behind a mask.

Although the social distancing seating measures have been removed, please ask the steward if you would prefer spacing around you.

We shall continue for the time being to note who is in church.

Collection will continue to be received as you leave.

Hand Sanitizer available and every effort to ensure touch surfaces are regularly wiped.

Church Contact

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READ

John 6.1-21

Jesus cannot escape the crowds. People follow after him. They are hungry for food, for the kind of leader they desire, and for satisfying their own agendas. Jesus responds by way of a miracle, taking a small portion of food and using it to feed the large crowd with plenty left over. Some people begin to believe in Jesus and in who he is. Jesus escapes by boat with his disciples. A storm blows up and Jesus comforts them by walking to them on the water.

A note on the passage.

This passage is sometimes seen as an introduction to the idea of Jesus as the 'Bread of Life' and his giving of himself for the whole world. We learn of the generosity of God – when God gives, God gives abundantly. The story encourages us to give whatever we have, however little it may be, to God. God can make use of it – and us. We might also notice that, by being aware of what God is doing in the world, our faith is strengthened



Ask yourself: What do you have that God might be calling you to share?

Reflection



Wesley Methodist Church

Minister: Revd. Josephine Soon 01384 821854

Link for on line worship

<https://www.valeofstour.org.uk/virtual-church/live/vosworship>

Reflect on your experience of the last 18 months of the Covid-19 pandemic. It has not been possible to meet in crowds like the one described here. As we (hopefully) begin to emerge from this difficult time, we will each feel differently about the way ahead. Some will have enjoyed their time of relative solitude, and may be apprehensive about gathering with others again. Others will have longed for human contact and can't wait to re-engage with the wider world and as many people as possible! How do you feel? How will you cope? What have you learned or valued during lockdown that you don't want to lose? What might you have to relearn? What do you want to let go? - think about this.

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Sunday 25th July 2021

10.30am

Welcome to

Mrs Beatrice Cloke