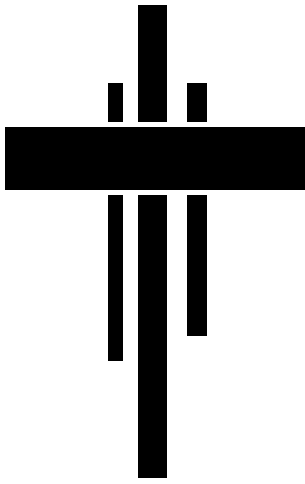


11<sup>th</sup> August 2019



# Priory Methodist Church Weekly Newsletter

We welcome you to worship God with us today.

We light the Peace Candle and pray for peace in the world

## Call To Worship

Come in faith,  
trusting in God,  
our unfailing treasure.  
Come, and worship.

## **Our Minister is the Reverend Andrew Hollins**



### Bible Readings

The projected page references refer to the pew bibles  
and not the lectern bible.

They are the same version but are different editions.

If you would like a bible during the  
service there are some available in chair backs  
or from the bookcase in the welcome area.



A special welcome to any visitors with us  
today We serve tea, coffee and soft drinks  
after the morning services in the small hall  
each week.

Do stay and meet together with us.

## Today's Morning Welcoming Team

Jasine Belinfante and Kathy Lewis

**StF** – Singing the Faith,

**10.30am**

TODAY'S TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

**Preacher:-** Local Worship, Carmen, Eldon, Jasine, Linnette and Calvert

**Worship Steward:-** Hazel Warner

**Organist: -** Lodewyk Nel

- **Hymns:- StF342**, Give me that old time religion, Higher Higher, **StF531** and **StF545**

**Readers:-** Linnette Allen, Jasine Belinfante and Liz Heap

- **Readings:-** Revelation 14: 6-7 and 1 Peter 1: 3-25

**Intercessory prayer:-** Wendy Evans-Wood

**On Sound Desk:-** Robert Wood

**10.30am**

TODAY'S INFORMAL WORSHIP

**Preacher:-** Mrs Liz Little

**Worship Leader: -** Marian Knights

- **Hymns:- All StF**, 64, 50, 41, 18, 628 and 544
- **Readings:-** Hebrews 11: 1–3, 8–12, 17–19 and Luke 12: 29–40

**On Sound Desk:-**Sydney Botchway

### **Junior Church**

No Junior Church during the summer.

**6.30pm**

TODAY'S EVENING WORSHIP

No evening service this week at Priory

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### **New to Priory? – Welcome**

**11<sup>th</sup> August 2019**

We'd like to get to know you – please complete your details, tear off and put in the Minister's pigeonhole in the welcome area by the front doors.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Where are Priory's Preachers this week?**

Andrew is at Kempston West in the morning.

**18<sup>th</sup> August 2019**

**10.30am**

**All Age Worship Together** – Rev. Andrew Hollins

**6.30pm** – Rev. Dalwyn Attwell – Holy Communion

## **Church Flowers**

|                               |                    |                            |
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| <b>11<sup>th</sup> August</b> | <b>Donor</b>       | Marian and Bill Knights    |
|                               | <b>Arranger</b>    | Christine Hearn/Sue Butler |
|                               | <b>Distributor</b> | Kathy Lewis                |

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| <b>18<sup>th</sup> August</b> | <b>Donor</b>       |                 |
|                               | <b>Arranger</b>    | Christine Hearn |
|                               | <b>Distributor</b> | Marlene Howker  |

## **Soup Run**

We are always pleased to receive any unwanted cakes, sandwiches, etc.

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| <b>11<sup>th</sup> August</b> | Brian, Kath and Anna |
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| <b>18<sup>th</sup> August</b> | Nesta, Jenny and Gill |
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## **Midweek Worship**

|                                     | <b>Date</b>                   | <b>Led by</b>  |
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| Wednesdays 12.00pm<br>in the Chapel | <b>14<sup>th</sup> August</b> | Marian Knights |
|                                     | <b>21<sup>st</sup> August</b> | Liz Little     |

**Reverend Andrew Hollins - Tel. No. 01234 340167**

Andrew has Friday as a rest day.

Please avoid contacting him for routine matters on that day.

**Church Office Tel. No. 01234 353523, Email: [office@priorychurch.org.uk](mailto:office@priorychurch.org.uk)**

Please note office hours are generally 9.00 – 14.00

**Church Website: <http://www.priorychurch.org.uk>**

**Priory Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/PrioryMethodistChurch>**

## **Food and Fun**

2 sessions are planned this summer: **tomorrow 12<sup>th</sup> August** and Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August. We hope to help families who struggle to feed and entertain their children in the school holidays. Sessions run from 11.30 – 1.30 with activities and a meal. If you are able to help, just come along, but please also pray for these events and for the families who will attend.

Liz Little

## **Church Office**

Sue will not be in the office Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August, she will be on annual leave. Rothsay Education Centre and other bookings maybe in and therefore the building may be open.

## **Saxophones for Fans and Fanatics! Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 3 – 5pm.**

The band will be playing in the Bandstand beside the river.

You are welcome to come and go when you wish. Deck chairs will be waiting, although they are sometimes filled and a few people bring garden seats.

Sax's Cool

## **The 6<sup>th</sup> day**

An intrepid band of picnickers met on 6<sup>th</sup> August for a time of fellowship with food and games; we managed to dodge the showers and it was a lovely early evening by the lake. Our next event, on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September, will be a quiz evening starting at 7pm at Priory and suitable for all ages. Do put the date in your diary; we hope to see plenty of people enjoying this social time together.

Liz Little

## **Thanks**

We would like to say a huge thank you everyone who came and supported our fundraising Garden Party last weekend, we were grateful for the weather. Also for the donations made from those who could not make it. We are looking at a total of nearly £700.00. Tracey and Sue enjoyed making the decisions and baking the selection of cakes and appreciated the comments on the days. Thanks to the helpers on both days, meaning it to run smoothly. A fantastic result, thank you to everyone.

Sue, Steve and family

## **North Bedford Churches Together**

### **Global Healing Group**

This is being formed, at Holy Cross and Ss Philip and James, to look at how we can live in harmony with God's creation. To find out more email

**[holycrosschurch896@btconnect.com](mailto:holycrosschurch896@btconnect.com)**

### **ECO CHURCH**

Eco Church is an award scheme to "help churches to care for creation as an integral part of loving their neighbours and following God faithfully" (**[ecochurch.arocha.org.uk](http://ecochurch.arocha.org.uk)**)

Putnoe Heights Church has just started working towards the bronze award. If you would like to know more email **[online@putnoechurch.org.uk](mailto:online@putnoechurch.org.uk)**

### **Anti-Social Behaviour**

Following repeated incidents of anti-social behaviour, anti-climb measures have been arranged at Holy Cross in accord with diocesan instructions. For details email

**[holycrosschurch896@btconnect.com](mailto:holycrosschurch896@btconnect.com)**

### **Date of mini-retreat – 12th October**

This year North Bedford Churches Together retreat will be on Saturday 12th October. It will be held in Bletchley and free transport will be available. More information will be available nearer the time. Please note the date in your diary.

## **Church Alarm System**

We have extended this system from the office to other parts of the building now. This extension will be active from 11.00pm to 7.00am every day.

DO NOT ENTER THE BUILDING BETWEEN THESE TIMES.

If you feel you have to enter for some reason then ring either John Lingings or Robert Wood.

If you have any queries please contact either John or Robert.

## **King's Arms Project is Recruiting!**

We have been working with the homeless and disadvantaged for **30** years in Bedford (*since 1989*).

We have vacancies for **Support Worker(s)** at our Nightshelter (40 hrs/week).

For full details please see: [www.kingsarmsproject.org/jobs](http://www.kingsarmsproject.org/jobs)



**Rob Pearson**  
Project Administrator

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### **Bedford Foodbank**

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Manton Heights Industrial Estate,  
Bedford,  
MK41 7PL

T 01234 268569

E [info@bedford.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@bedford.foodbank.org.uk)  
[www.bedford.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.bedford.foodbank.org.uk)

26<sup>th</sup> July 2019  
63 Newnham Ave  
Bedford  
MK41 9QJ

### **Our grateful thanks**

We are writing to thank everyone at Priory Methodist Church for their donations to Bedford Foodbank between January and June in 2019. The total weight of the food you have donated is 14.86kg.

Regular donations, such as yours, are vital to the on-going provision of food for those in our community who are in such great need. The need for help from the Foodbank continues to increase year upon year and we now regularly feed around 650 people a month, giving them enough food for 3-4 days, or around 10 meals. The monthly food leaving our warehouse is generally in the region of 7-8 tonnes, so we are very grateful for all donations we receive as each one is vital for the ongoing work of the Foodbank, and is greatly appreciated.

It is sad that help like this is needed, but great that individuals, organisations and communities can come together to meet what is an ever increasing need in Bedford and the surrounding villages

Thank you all once again for your support on behalf of everyone who uses or volunteers at the foodbank

Yours sincerely

Andrea Badman  
Assistant Project Manager


**Posters On The Board In The Welcome Area** Updated weekly.

Don't forget to take a look at the posters with all the details of events happening at Priory, within the circuit churches and in Bedford see if any take your interest.

[www.northbedsmethodist.org.uk](http://www.northbedsmethodist.org.uk)

**Email address for Priory Feedback**

The email address (prioryfeedback@gmail.com) set up to receive comments during the recent consultation about the future of Priory Methodist Church remains 'live' and is regularly checked for messages. Please continue to use it to pass comments to the Priory Leadership Team.



Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2019 10am to 4pm  
Belief welcomes David Tatem to run a workshop

**An Introduction to Bibliodrama**

A whole person experience of engaging with sacred texts: using body, mind and soul.

£10 per person – All booking in advance [belief@standrewsbedford.org](mailto:belief@standrewsbedford.org).

At St Andrews Church Centre Kimbolton Road Bedford MK40 2PF. Places limited.

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...and we celebrate that with a fun event on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of every month in 2019. These are for EVERYONE, so come and spend time together, enjoy each other's company and have a good time.

We have had some great events already – here is the programme for the rest of the year.

Details will be in the notices, but please note the dates now:

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| Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> September   | Quiz evening                             |
| Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> October     | Afternoon film showing with discussion   |
| Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November | Games evening                            |
| Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December    | Christmas fun evening with Boys' Brigade |

