



Wantage



Minister:

Methodist Church

Rev. Keith Underhill

Sunday 18th February

Lent 1

Lectinary : Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Peter 3: 18-22; Mark 1:9-15

09:30 **Kids@church** "A Long Journey"

Stewards : Janet Abrahall & Alison Phillips

10.30 **Morning Worship including Holy Communion**
led by **Rev Keith Underhill**

Hymns: 51 : 237 : 638 : 585 : 455

15:45 **Circuit Youth Music & Drama Group** meets this afternoon at Didcot

DEADLINE FOR MARCH NEWSLETTER

Count Your Blessings in Lent

Leaflets from Christian Aid are available in the Chapel. They include a reflection for each day of Lent and practical opportunities to help poor communities round the world in thanksgiving for the blessings in our own lives. Please take one home with you.

Welcome to Wantage Methodist Church

The Church Stewards introduce worship, then there is a period of quiet in which we prepare for worship and pray for those leading worship. There are times in the service when most people will stand, such as for singing. However, please feel free to remain seated if you prefer.

There is a crèche room for small children.

The Chapel is fitted with an induction loop; Hearing aid users are advised to sit away from the edges of the room and please switch hearing aids to the "T" setting.

Glasses of water are available.

Please join us in the Hall after the service for tea, coffee and fellowship.

Prayer Focus

Church in Circuit : Circuit Staff and their families

Give Thanks: For those who fight the cause for Racial Justice.

Please pray for : Jean M, Pam Scholes, Bethan Grant, Lois Knighton, Jane,

Alan and Eileen Bunn and family, Alex and family, Barbara Phillips,
Doug, Sylvia, Sonia and family, YMOSES, kids@church and Street Pastors

All at Bullingdon Prison, staff, prisoners and visitors,
and those members of our church family who, through frailty or ill health, can no longer worship with us.

This Week

Focus for Reflection : Amos 5 :24

But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never ending stream.

Monday 19th February

14:00 **Knit & Chat** in the Parlour

Tuesday 20th February

13:30 **Tuesday Afternoon House Group**

We begin our York Course Lent Study "On The Third Day"

Session 1 - Have I got news for you!

The reading is John 20:19-28

A warm welcome is extended to anyone who wishes to join us.

Wednesday 21st February

14:00 **Wednesday Fellowship** : Reverend Keith Underhill will give us a talk entitled : "Can You Taste the Story?"

19:30 **Movers & Shakers for Mission & Service** at 63 Foliat Drive.

20:00 **Music Group** in the Chapel

Thursday 22nd February

14:00 **Thursday Lent Group** in the Parlour

York Course Lent Study "On The Third Day"

Session 1 - Have I got news for you!

John 20:19-28

Sunday 25th February

Lent 2

Lectionary : Genesis 17:1-7;15-16; Psalm 22:23-31; Romans 4:13-25; Mark 8:31-38

09:00 **Bible Study** in the Hall

Stewards : Gordon Skidmore & Carolyn Roche

10:30 **Morning Worship** led by Geoff Caudle

12:15 **Sunday Lunch** in the Hall

All We Can....Bring an egg-cup!

Come for breakfast in the church hall before the service, from 9.30am on **Sunday 4th March**.

We will be serving boiled eggs, toast & jam (or marmalade, if you prefer!) tea, coffee & fruit juice. There will be no set charge for breakfast, but donations to our All We Can Zimbabwe project will be welcome.

If you'd like to join us please sign up on the sheet on the notice board. And please do bring your own egg-cup!

Cath Worth

The Bible in a Year

Readings for February can be found on the website, in the Newsletter and as cards in the church vestibule. The next week's readings are:

Day	Date	Old Testament	New Testament	Psalms/Proverbs
171	18-Feb-18	1 Kings 7:23-8:21	Acts 13:42-14:7	Psalm 76:1-12
172	19-Feb-18	1 Kings 8:22-9:9	Acts 14:8-28	Proverbs 15:11-20
173	20-Feb-18	1 Kings 9:10-11:13	Acts 15:1-21	Psalm 77:1-9
174	21-Feb-18	1 Kings 11:14-12:24	Acts 15:22-41	Psalm 77:10-20
175	22-Feb-18	1 Kings 12:25-14:20	Acts 16:1-15	Psalm 78:1-8
176	23-Feb-18	1 Kings 14:21-16:7	Acts 16:16-40	Proverbs 15:21-30
177	24-Feb-18	1 Kings 16:8-18:15	Acts 17:1-21	Psalm 78:9-16
178	25-Feb-18	1 Kings 18:16-19:21	Acts 17:22-18:8	Psalm 78:17-31

‘On the Third Day’ – Lent Study Course

This is an ecumenical course in five sessions which will run on Thursday afternoons in the Parlour from 2.00p.m. – 3.30p.m. through Lent, beginning on Thursday February 22nd.

The sessions will be led by Alison Phillips, so please let her know if you are interested in coming along. It is the same York course that will be followed by Eileen Rennie and her group on Tuesday afternoons, and as with all York courses, it does help for you to have your own personal copy of the booklet (cost £3.50) so that you can read each session before the meeting.

This course will consider how we can be an Easter people, living in the glow of the resurrection, turning the ‘there and then’ into the ‘here and now’.

I do hope you will join us.

Sunday 18th February at 6:30 pm at Grove : Trevor Grant who is the Regional Manager for The Leprosy Mission will lead worship. He will speak about the Mission’s work and will show a short film. Tea and coffee will be served after the service. You are invited to join Grove for this act of worship.

February Circuit Youth Music and Drama Group

Young people aged 9+ are warmly invited to join CYMDG. **The next session is at 3.45 on the 18th February at Didcot Methodist Church.** Email Abigail Perrow at abi.perrow@gmail.com for more info.

Impossible God

THE PASSION PLAY

Written by
FRANK TOPPING

Performed by
MARK TOPPING

7:30 pm
Wednesday
28th March

at
Wantage
Methodist
Church

Ticket £5

Phone:
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Church Council will meet on **Wednesday March 7th at 7:30 pm** in the Chapel. Written reports for circulation or notice of items of business should be with Alison Brown by **Friday 23rd February please**. Email alison.brown18@btinternet.com

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – ST. MARY’S CONVENT

A visit to be accompanied round the Stations of the Cross for meditation, prayer and reflection has been arranged for **Tuesday 27th March at 2 pm**. If you would like to attend please let Eileen Rennie know by Sunday 11th March. (Telephone 01235 224284 or email m.rennie50@ntlworld.com)

Cornerstone Coffee Shop are looking for staff.

Cleaner :

4-5 pm Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday from the last week in March (for induction).

Cook : Maternity Leave Cover - dates to be confirmed.

9:45 am to 2:45 pm Wednesday , Thursday , Friday .

One or two Saturdays a month 9:30 am to 2:30 pm

More details on the Hall vestibule notice board.

Little People are seeking:

- a working washer,
- a small book case,
- rugs
- teaspoons

If you can help please contact Jacky at jackymattam@btinternet.com .

The **Christina Noble Children’s Foundation** has been working in Mongolia , supporting children and families living in desperate poverty. If anyone is able to provide knitted cardigans or jumpers, hats, scarves , new packets of underwear and good quality thick children’s coats/boots/shoes we can get them to Mongolia where they will be put to good use.

If anyone has old cameras, binoculars or laptops, we can sell these and raise money to fund the sending of these parcels to Mongolia.

If you can help, please contact Miranda Marsh on 07843 384016 Thank you!

FOOD BANK needs:

Breakfast cereals, tinned potatoes, tinned carrots, long life fruit juice, 'treats' (e.g. sweets and special chocolate biscuits)

Notices for Next Week

should reach **Gordon Skidmore** by 10pm on **Thursday** please.

E-mail:

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External Users

Monday evening	Dietitian
Tuesday Morning	MIND
Tuesday Evening	Wantage Camera Club
Tuesday Evening	Rock Choir
Wednesday Evening	Wantage Stage Musical
Friday morning	Babes & Toddlers
Friday teatime	Caritas Singers
Friday evening	Cheek2Cheek