



# Wantage



Minister:

**Methodist Church**

Rev. Keith Underhill

**Sunday 16th September**

**Ordinary 24**

Lectionary : Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 116:1-9; James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38

09:30 **kids@church**

Stewards: June Grunwald & Gordon Skidmore

10:30 **Morning Worship** led by **Rev Jill Marsh**

Director of Mission, Northampton District

**Hymns: 418 : my Song : 615 : 503**  
**Lesson: Mark 8:27-38 ; John 11:21-27**

15:45 for 16:00 **Circuit Youth Music and Drama Group** at Wallingford  
16:00 **Film Plus** at Grove

**Deadline for October Sector Newsletter**

## **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**

**Pray for :** Childrey

**Give thanks for:** For those who fight for racial justice and support those suffering.

**Please pray for :** Jean M, Pam Scholes, Bethan Grant, Jane, Britzaida, Alan and Eileen Bunn and family, Alex and family, Doug, Eve, June Hartle, Jean Gill, Carol Mackinder, Mavis Morris (sister in law to Gill and Gordon), Carole, Keith and family, Emily, Carl, Findley,

All at Bullingdon Prison, staff, prisoners and visitors,

YMOSES, kids@church and Street Pastors and those members of our church family who, through frailty or ill health, can no longer worship with us.

**Focus for Reflection : Deuteronomy 16:19-20**

Do not pervert justice or show partiality. Do not accept a bribe, for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and twists the words of righteousness. Follow justice and justice alone, so that you may live and possess the land the Lord your God is giving you.

**Monday 17th September**

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

**Tuesday 18th September**

13:30 **Tuesday House Group** at 50 Warmans Close

Keith will talk to us on a subject of his choice.

You are assured of a warm welcome if you would like to join us.

**Wednesday 19th September**

14:00 **Wednesday Fellowship** Our friend Michael Bailey will show Part 1 of his visit to Peru: Cities and Jungles, centred on a 5 day cruise on the Amazon, including visits to Lima and Arequipa.

All are welcome.

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

**Thursday 20th September**

09:30 **Disciple** - in the Parlour

**Sunday 23rd September**

**Ordinary 25**

Lectionary: Jeremiah 11:18-20; James 3:13 - 4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37

Steward : Heather Wells & Peter Preston

10:30 **Morning Worship** led by **Rev Keith Underhill**

**This service will include the Sacrament of Holy Communion**

All are welcome to receive Communion.

The bread is gluten free and the wine non-alcoholic.

There will be a short **meeting of the Church Council after morning service on Sunday 23rd September** to make a decision on acoustics treatment to the chapel.

**Secure websites**

We are pleased to be able to inform you that both Wantage Methodist Church Website and that of our Circuit are now https enabled - which gives them greater security and you will see the padlock sign in your browser when you now log on.

We were sorry to hear the news of the death of Brian Doxley. Brian was a regular attender at our Friday lunches. Brian's funeral service will be held at the Parish Church on 24th September at 11:00am. We remember all of Brian's family and friends at this time.

### **September Circuit Youth Music and Drama Group**

CYMDG's next session will be at Wallingford Methodist Church on the 16th September, meeting at 3.45 for a 4pm start. Young people aged 9+ are most welcome to join us for singing, music, discussion and pizza.

The young people will then take part in the evening service, to which adults and children of all ages are invited.

For more information, please email

**CHICKEN and EGG TEA PARTY**

**29<sup>th</sup> September. 2018**

### **Wantage & Grove Church Partnership**

The next Schools' Prayer Meeting  
will be held on

**Wednesday 26th September  
7.30-8.30pm**

**at St John's Rooms,  
Grove Parish Church.**

John Wilson, who co-ordinates this group, would welcome warmly anyone else who would like to join this ecumenical group.

Future dates:

23 January      24 April

All at the same time and place.

### **Wantage & Grove Church Partnership ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Thursday September 27<sup>th</sup> 2018**

**From 7:30pm**

**St John the Baptist Church, Grove,  
OX12 7LQ**

**Guest Speaker**

**Andy Worthington**

**Speaking on the work of**



**OpenDoors**

60 years of serving persecuted Christians

**ALL WELCOME  
REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED**

There will be a sponsored **10k Christian Aid walk on Saturday 13 October** starting and finishing at Chilton Church. James and Jane Kent are planning to take part and would appreciate any sponsorship for this fantastic charity. For a sponsorship form or more information please contact Andrew Jones

Riding Lights Theatre Company presents;

## **GOSPELSTREET**

on Friday 5th October at 7:30 pm

in The Great Hall, Cholsey, Cholsey Meadows, Cholsey, OX10 9GW.

Tickets £10/£8(concessions)

T: 01904 613000 or 01491 651812 or online at [ridinglights.org/gospel](http://ridinglights.org/gospel)

GOSPELSTREET is a powerful mix of theatre, comedy and spoken word – a breath-taking ride through all the important issues of life, death... and miraculous street food. Good news with wisdom, laughter, energy and insight.

### **Harvest Festival 7th October**

Our Harvest this year will be supporting the work of 'All We Can' and their "Let your light shine" campaign which enables communities to be transformed through the use of solar irrigation systems, with a particular focus on Malawi. During our Harvest service we will be hearing about this amazing work and among other things, be introduced to Shanu and his young family and how 'All We Can' are transforming their lives and the lives of so many others.

'All We Can' Harvest appeal gift aid envelopes will be available in church nearer the time for you to use should you wish.

The church will be open from **10am on Saturday 6th October** to receive donations of flowers, foliage and produce **for the harvest decorating**. We would really welcome offers of help with the decoration. Keith will be also be ready to receive items at the Harvest service on Sunday morning. We will be taking any non-perishable food to Foodbank and it sounds as if their shelves are fairly empty at present. Please make sure items are within date. Thank you for all your help.

#### **FOOD BANK**

The current specific shortages are rice, hot chocolate (made with water), tinned peas, tinned carrots and baked beans.

All goods welcome.

**Notices for next Sunday** should reach **Gordon Skidmore** by 10pm on **Thursday** please.

**E-mail:**

[wntgmethodistnotices@gmail.com](mailto:wntgmethodistnotices@gmail.com)

**Tel:** 07710 214601

#### **Little People are seeking:**

a cooker (electric?)

for a single dad with two small children.

If you can help please contact:

Jacky Mattam [jackymattam@btinternet.com](mailto:jackymattam@btinternet.com)

#### **External Users this week**

Monday evening	Slimming World
Tuesday morning	MIND
Tuesday evening	Wantage Camera Club
Tuesday evening	Rock Choir
Wednesday evening	Wantage Stage Musical
Thursday midday	King Alfred's WI
Thursday evening	Yoga
Friday morning	Babes & Toddlers
Friday teatime	Caritas Children's Choir
Friday evening	Cheek2Cheek
Saturday morning	Dads Out
Saturday afternoon	Kennet Opera