



Minister:

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Welcome to Wantage Methodist Church

We share Sunday services on Zoom.

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.

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. There is a crèche room for small children.

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

Sunday 12th April

Local Preachers

Easter 2

Acts 2:14a,22-32; Psalm 16; 1Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

10:30 am Morning Worship - Local Arrangements

Sunday 19th April

Easter 3

Acts 2:14a,36-41 Psalm 116:1-4,12-19; 1Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35

9:30 am Kids@Church

10:30 am Morning Worship led by Rev Bruce Thompson

Sunday 26th April

Vocations Sunday

Easter 4

Act 2:42-47 Psalm 23; 1Peter 2:19-25; John 10:1-10

10:30 am Morning Worship led by Rev Georgina Bondzi-Simpson

Deadline for May Newsletter

Sunday 3rd May

Easter 5

Act 7:55-60; Psalm 31:1-5,15,16; 1Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14

9:30 am A Time for Reflection in the Godfrey Room

10:30 am Morning Worship led by Rev Katherine Pickering

6:30 pm Prayer for Revival at Grove

“Going for Growth” Day, Saturday, 9th May, 10am to 3.00pm at Southmoor Village Hall. This is a Circuit event and accurate numbers are required as to who will be attending please as lunch is being provided by a catering company. If you are intending to go to this event please will you **let Carolyn Roche know**, by text or email, **by the end of today – Sunday 12th April**, including any dietary requirements with your confirmation of attendance.

Monday 13th April

9:00 am Community Drop-in Café in the Hall

2:30 pm Bible Study at Elmbrook Care Home

Jock Gourlay’s funeral service will be on **Monday, 13th April at 12.00noon** at the South Oxfordshire Crematorium at Garford. To be followed by refreshments at The Comrades Club, Newbury Street, Wantage.

Tuesday 14th April

No Tuesday Afternoon Prayer and Study Group this week

Friday, 17th April

3:30 pm Caritas Youth Choir in the Hall

Monday 20th April

9:00 am Community Drop-in Café in the Hall

2:00 pm Knit & Chat in the Hall

Tuesday 21st April

12 noon In Conversation at Wallingford

Brian Buchan – Deputy Lieutenant of Oxfordshire

2:00 pm Tuesday Afternoon Prayer and Study Group

Week 11 – Prayer Wars

Reading: Ephesians 6:10-24

Wednesday 22nd April

7:30 pm Church Leadership Team in the Parlour

Thursday 23rd April

7:30 pm Music Makers

Friday, 24th April

3:30 pm Caritas Youth Choir in the Hall

Monday 27th April

9:00 am Community Drop-in Café in the Hall

2:00 pm Knit & Chat in the Hall

Tuesday 28th April

2:00 pm Tuesday Afternoon Prayer and Study Group

Study Book to be confirmed.

Friday, 1st May

3:30 pm Caritas Youth Choir in the Hall

Focus for Reflection : 1 Timothy 5:17

The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honour, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching.

Pray for Wantage & Abingdon Circuit, ministers, preachers, staff and stewards

Give thanks for the privilege and blessing of prayer.

Please pray for :-

Adrian, Alison C & family, Alyson, Caroline, Carol Mackinder, Doug & Anne Hatto, Edwina, Eileen, Emma Wright & family, Findley, Mark, Angela & family, Geoff, Gloria Smith, Hannah Morton. Hunter, Jade, Jane Robinson, John & Jo, June G, John Broadbent, Jane & Emma Soffe & family, June Hartle, Ken & Grace Wright, Lucas & family, Marc Hewson's family, Mary Spalding, Meriel, Mick Glover, Norma, Peter, Rachel & her family, Richard, Richard in York, Sharon, Sue, Sonia, Tony G, Trudy, William Chadwick, Vicky, Robin & Becky Legge & all the Legge family.

The community of Wantage Methodist Church as we tackle our financial crisis.

All at Bullingdon Prison, staff, prisoners and visitors,

Our Ministers, Community Chaplains, Local Preachers & Worship Leaders, kids@church and Street Pastors, Cornerstone and those members of our church family who, through frailty or ill health, can no longer worship with us.

Join on Zoom for the **World in My Parish** webinar, where Revd Kong Ching Hii will speak on the following topic:

From Welcome to Witness in a Migrant Church.

In many Methodist contexts, the "world" has arrived via the presence of migrants, including diverse Chinese communities. This reflection explores how the Church is called to move beyond mere welcome toward befriending, discipling, and sending. Drawing on lived experience within the Chinese diaspora and missiology, it argues that migration is not a social challenge to be managed, but a missional moment to discern. By reframing migrants as active participants rather than just recipients, we recognise their vital role in extending God's Kingdom

Apr 16, 2026 7PM UK time

Zoom link:

<https://theofed-cam-ac-uk.zoom.us/j/99124792774?pwd=yRyHll31bybZ1Jrkx6vSjPycxe7Lj5.1>

Meeting ID: 991 2479 2774

Passcode: 372793

Revd Kong Ching Hii (许广铮) is an ordained Methodist minister with vast pastoral and cross-cultural ministry experience, serving diverse Chinese-speaking communities in both urban and rural contexts. Currently, he is stationed with two multi-cultural and multi-traditional churches in London, fostering unity under a gospel-centred vision while navigating complex multicultural dynamics with theological depth and pastoral sensitivity. Kong Ching is passionate about equipping believers, building healthy leadership teams, discipling the next generation, and mobilising all to serve the local communities.

Safeguarding

The Methodist Church is committed to safeguarding as an integral part of its life and ministry. Safeguarding is about the action the Church takes to promote a safer culture. This means we will:

- promote the welfare of children, young people and adults
- work to prevent abuse from occurring
- seek to protect and respond well to those that have been abused

If you have, or become aware of any concern, you must contact our Church's Safeguarding Officer
Ken Smith 01235 767545 or Revd Bruce on 01235 813242
You must not speak to others about your concerns or investigate them yourself.

ZOOM Please contact Gordon Skidmore (07710 214601) for joining details if you wish to join the Sunday Morning Worship Zoom broadcast.

Notices for Sunday 3rd May should reach **Gordon Skidmore**
by the end of Thursday 30th April please.
wntgmethodistnotices@gmail.com **Tel: 07710 214601**

Users on the Premises			
Weekly			
Monday	eve	CA	Parlour
Tuesday	morn	MIND	Hall
	eve	Camera Club	Hall
Wednesday	eve	Wantage Sings	Hall
Friday	morn	Mothers & Toddlers	All
Saturday	mid	NA	Parlour
Single events			
Thursday 16 th	Lunch	KAWI	Hall
Saturday 18 th	All day	Family Party	Hall
Sunday 19 th	Afternoon	Jigsaw	Hall
Saturday 25 th	Morning	Clothes Swap	Hall
Saturday 2 nd	Morning	Dads Out	All