Wantage Methodist Church

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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 8th November **Remembrance Sunday** **Ordinary 32**

Amos 5:18-24; Psalm 70; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

9:30 am **Morning Worship** led by Rev Bruce Thompson
This service will include the sacrament of Holy Communion

4:00 pm **Annual Memorial Service** led by Rev Bruce Thompson
at **Wantage**

Monday 9th November

9:00 am **Community Drop-in Café** in the Hall
2:30 pm **Bible Study at Elmbrook Care Home** - Remebrance

Tuesday 10th November

12 Noon **In Conversation with Roshni Mooneram** at Wallingford
2:00 pm **Tuesday Afternoon Prayer and Study Group** in the Parlour

Thursday 12th November

7:30 pm **Music Makers** in the Chapel

Sunday 15th November **Interfaith Week** **Ordinary 33**

Zephaniah 1:7.12-18: Psalm 90:1-8,12; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11: Matthew 25:14-30

9:30 am **Kids@Church**
10:30 am **Morning Worship** – Local Arrangements

Please pray for :-

Adrian, Alison C & family, Alyson, Caroline, Carol M, Dave, Doug & Anne Hatto, Edwina, Emma Wright & family, Findley, Mark, Angela & family, Geoff, Gillian B, Gill & Gordon S, Gloria S, Greta Thornbury, Jane Robinson, Jo, John Anderson, June G, Jane & Emma S & family, Jo A, Jordan, June H, Ken & Grace W, Matthew H, Mary S, Meriel, Peter, the family of Phillip Jones, the family of Rachel, Sharon, Tony G, Trudy, Val & John B,
Our Ministers, 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.

IBRA Daily Bible Study – Fresh from the Word
The 2027 edition is now available and Helen Carter is collecting orders so that a "bulk" order can be placed. There is a notice on the Hall notice board to sign up on. Please sign up by next week.

Please note that **Morning Worship** on **Remembrance Sunday 8th November will start at 09:30 am** to allow those who wish to attend the civic event at the War Memorial at the Parish Church.

Annual Service of Remembrance at Wantage Methodist Church on **Sunday, 8th November at 4:00 pm**. You are invited to come and remember your loved one within the setting of this special service Some people will be named aloud. If you would like your loved one to be so named please let Ann Barber know (annbarber7@gmail.com or 07792 152943).

The service with be led by Rev Bruce Thompson. Followed by refreshments.

Tuesday 10th November 12 Noon - 1.00pm
Wallingford Methodist Church - In Conversation with Roshni Mooneram
Policy and strategy consultant, inclusion architect, leadership coach, international keynote speaker, and writer. Working at the intersection of science, policy and global health across Africa, Asia and Europe

An Advent group will meet at 1, Mill Paddock, Letcombe Regis, on **Thursday mornings for 4 weeks from November 26th at 10.00a.m**. (starting with coffee) and finishing at 12.00 midday. Anyone is welcome whether you are able to come every week or just one or two. We shall be following the same material as the Tuesday study group called 'COMING of the SAVIOUR' by Cindy Bunch, and each week there will be a chosen reading followed by questions which will guide us to think more deeply about the passage read. The study material suggests we use the NIV bible or the New Revised Standard if you have one, and please let Alison or Clive know if you would like a copy of the course. We look forward to sharing some time each week during Advent with you to get ready for the miracle of Christmas in the coming of the Saviour.

Our Christmas Tree Festival is now just a few weeks away!

It begins on **Dickensian evening, Friday 4th December**, continues with a **Coffee Morning on Saturday 5th December**, and concludes with our **morning service on Sunday 6th December**. All of the decorated trees will remain in the chapel, and the service will include the Blessing of the Knitted Angels before they take flight to offer their encouraging messages around many locations in Wantage.
We need volunteers to ensure the smooth running of our Christmas Tree Festival and Ann Barber is collating a rota of people

- to help set up the Chapel and Hall beforehand.

The bases for the trees need setting up in the Chapel on or in advance of Friday morning, and tables in the hall will be set up from 12.30 pm.

- and to staff the Friday evening and Saturday morning sessions.

Help is requested in three areas, the Chapel, the Hall and the Kitchen.
The Chapel sitters will offer a warm welcome as visitors come in to view the decorated Christmas trees
Kitchen helpers will serve refreshments to visitors coming into the Hall to explore the variety of stalls selling Christmas themed goods
The cake stall helpers will serve customers buying the homemade cakes kindly baked by our church family members
We are seeking volunteers willing to offer help in one hourly slots between 6 and 9 pm on Friday, and 10 am to 12 noon on Saturday
Please let Ann know, in person or via email: annbarber7@gmail.com or phone: 07792 152943 if you are able to help
All offers of help will be greatly appreciated.

Wantage & Grove FOOD BANK

Please ensure any donations have a 'Best before date' of at least January 2027



Suggested items

Tinned salmon / ham Tinned Fruits
Pasta Sauce Jams and Chutneys
Crackers for Cheese Crisps and Savoury Snacks/nibbles
Christmas Puddings Custard Christmas Cakes / Chocolate log
Biscuit Selection Boxes Shortbread Biscuits
Chocolates / sweets Tea / Coffee Hot Chocolate

Many thanks for your support (if possible we need donations by the 1st December :)

EXTENDED COMMUNION MINISTRY: A CALL TO SERVE
We Need Representatives from Every Local Church
As our Circuit seeks to strengthen its pastoral care of those unable to attend public worship, we invite members to prayerfully consider whether God may be calling them to serve in the ministry of Extended Communion.
As part of our Circuit Development Plan, and in support of our ministers, Bruce and Georgina, we are seeking lay members from each church who feel called to assist in the ministry of Extended Communion by taking pre-consecrated bread and wine to people in their own homes or care homes.
Could God be calling you to serve in this important ministry?
For further details: file-1059555.pdf

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.

The November Newsletter has been published and is available on our website.
There are a limited number of printed copies available in the Chapel Vestibule.

Weekly printed notices are prepared on a Friday.
They will be updated on the website during the week if necessary.
Any notices should reach Gordon Skidmore by **the end of Thursday please.**
wntgmethodistnotices@gmail.com **Tel:** 07710 214601

On the premises this week

Monday	**evening - CA –Hall**
Tuesday	**morning – MIND – Hall**
	evening - Camera Club - Hall
Wednesday	**evening - Wantage Sings**
Thursday	**morning – HTS - Parlour**
	evening – Slimming World - Hall
Friday	**morning – WCC Mothers & Toddlers**
Saturday	**midday – NA – Godfrey Room**