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Welcome to Wantage Methodist Church

We are sharing Sunday services on Zoom.

In the same way that we wait for people present in church to settle before the welcome and notices, so we wait until all Zoom attendees are properly connected.

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.

Sunday 5th October

Ordinary 27

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4; Psalm 37:1-9; 2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10

09:45 am Time for Reflection

10:30 am Morning Worship led by **led by Belinda Kaur**

6:30 pm at Grove Praying for Revival

Monday 6th October

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

2:00 pm Knit & Chat in the Hall

Tuesday 7th October

2:00 pm Tuesday Prayer & Study Group in the Parlour

Naomi – Sadness Swallowed Up by Joy Reading: Ruth 3 – 4

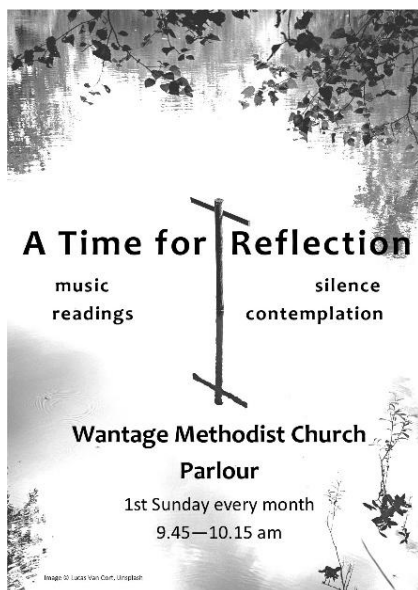
Friday 10th October

3:30 pm Caritas Children's Choir in the Hall

Sunday 12th October Homeless Sunday – Prisons Week Ordinary 28

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15b; Psalm 111: 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

10:30 am Morning Worship Local Arrangements



On October 5th, the first Sunday of the month, we have a 'Time for Reflection' in the Parlour from 9.45 - 10.15 am. There will be some music, a reading from the lectionary for that day, some questions to ponder individually and the opportunity to share any thoughts briefly if you wish before finishing with some music. Everyone welcome!

Local Arrangement Planning meeting - would you like to be involved in planning an act of worship based on the organisation Christians Against Poverty? On 12th October we have a guest from CAP who will speak in place of a sermon, but we need to sort the rest of the service out. This is very short notice, for which I apologise (but there are good reasons for this). The planning meeting will be in church hall at 3.30pm on Monday 6th October (i.e. tomorrow). Knit and Chat will finish at 3.30pm and we will just carry on from then. By coming to the planning meeting, you are not obliged to take part on the day, but obviously it would be really good if some folk can do a part of the service. If you want to know more then please chat to Helen Carter today.

Local Arrangement Leaders


Our next and perhaps final session for a while will again be at Wantage Methodist Church. Arrivals from 9.30, begin at 10.00, finish by 1.00 on Saturday 22 November. On this occasion we will be looking at the themes of Advent, the Bible readings, and putting together an Advent Service.

WANTAGE TOWN SURVEY: The Town, District and County Councils are keen to hear the views of as many local people as possible to identify areas or aspects of our town that could be improved. To have your say, please take 10 minutes to complete the [Town Survey](#)

In Conversation
with

Sir Ralph Waller

Former Pro Vice Chancellor of the
University of Oxford



Wallingford Methodist Church

12 noon—1.00pm

21 October 2025

Free Entry

Further details revbrucet@yahoo.co.uk

PRAYER FOCUS

Focus for Reflection : Isaiah 40:31

But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.
They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary,
they will walk and not be faint.

Pray for, Trinity Church, Abingdon

Give thanks for life and for God's presence and love in our lives.

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, Hunter, Jade, Jane Robinson,
Marc Hewson, Jane & Emma Soffe & family, John & Jo, June G, June Hartle,
Ken and Grace Wright, Lucas & family, Mary Spalding, Meriel, Norma, Peter,
Richard, Richard in York, Sharon, Sue, Terry & Deborah, Sonia, Tony G, Trudy,
John Broadbent, Geoffrey & Marianne Maunder,
Vicky, Robin and Becky Legge and the Legge family grandchildren.

All at Bullington 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.

Rt Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally, the new Archbishop of Canterbury

WMC Prayer WhatsApp group.

We have set up a prayer WhatsApp group so that we can share requests for urgent prayer requests. Please let Helen Carter know if you would like to be involved in responding to urgent prayer requests. Thank you.

Prayer tree

Anyone can leave a prayer request on the tree. It is appreciated if a date is written on the tag somewhere. No tags are taken off the tree unless circumstances for the person or situation being prayed for change or the tree is full... Please take time to check the tree and choose someone or a situation to pray for or about. Also, if any of the prayer cards on the table feel relevant to you please do take one.

FR ROBERT TEARE: It is with tremendous sadness that we have received news this week of the death of Father Robert Teare, who many will remember with great affection and respect. Robert was in so many ways a model priest and man. His weighty intellect and profound spirituality were balanced with a deep humanity, kindness and sense of humour. All this shone through his ministry here, both in his pastoral care and in his superb preaching. Our thoughts and prayers are with Juliet and the wider family as they mourn. But as we write, we are confident that Robert rests in peace and will rise in glory.

FIONA UPTON: The funeral of postulant Fiona Upton will be held on 10 October at the Convent. There will not be sufficient space to extend an invitation to the wider parish, but please keep Fiona and the Convent in your prayers on that day.

Church Council

The next Church Council meeting is on Thursday 22 October at 7:30pm. Please could reports and notice of business reach Gill Skidmore by 12th October so that they can be circulated well before the meeting.

From Heather Wells

As some of you may remember I lost a very dear university friend, Sue, on 18th June this year she was an amazing, caring and loving person with a beautiful infectious smile that radiated happiness and brightened up every room. She lost her battle to cancer and was positive right to the end. Not that any of us knew, she didn't even tell her family until just a couple of months before she passed as she didn't want anyone to worry (so like Sue).

I don't normally do more than one charity run a year but wanted to celebrate Sue and my very last marathon – which I will run along Loch Ness this Sunday (28th September). Macmillan Cancer Support was a huge help to Sue and her twin brother and 3 children. If you would like to help me celebrate and remember this very special lady who was always there for others and helping them, please feel free to make a contribution to Macmillan Cancer Support, which happens to be the Community Café charity for September through to November, Carolyn, a steward or myself would be happy to receive any donation however small, which we will add to the Community Café funds for this quarter.

URGENT APPEAL FROM WANTAGE AND GROVE FOOD BANK: The Food Bank has only a few months of reserves left! There is a continuous high demand for food parcels, but the increasing price of food and the cost of living is reducing donations. There is a collection point in both churches where food can be donated as well as at local supermarkets and other donation points in the town. [CLICK HERE](#) for a list of suggested items. Alternatively, cash donations can be made to: Wantage and Grove Foodbank; Sort code: 20-68-15; Account number: 33774546.

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

Notices for next week should reach **Gordon Skidmore**
by **the end of Thursday** please.

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Other Users on Wantage premises next week

Monday	eve	Slimming World - Hall
	eve	CA - Parlour
Tuesday	morn	MIND in the Hall
	eve	Camera Club - Hall
Wednesday	morn	Abingdon Family Help Team
	eve	Wantage Sings
Friday	morn	Mothers & Toddlers
Saturday	mid	NA - Parlour