United Church Dorchester



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Methodist and United Reformed

Part of Churches Together in Dorchester

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Lectionary readings 1st August

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 Psalm 78:23-29 Ephesians 4:1-16 John 6:24-35

8th August

1 Kings 19:4-8 Psalm 34:1-8 Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2 John 6:35, 41-51

15th August

Proverbs 9:1-6 Psalm 34:9-14 Ephesians 5:15-20 John 6:51-58

22nd August

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18 Psalm 34:15-22 Ephesians 6:10-20 John 6:56-69

29th August

Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-9 Psalm 15 James 1:17-27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Sunday Worship

1st August

10.00/11.15 Rev P Clark

Holy Communion

8th August

10.00/11.15 Members of the World Church Committee, including an update on the work of MAF

15th August

10.00/11.15 Mr C Warren

22nd August

10.00/11.15 Rev J Yarrien

29th August

10.00/11.15 Mr P Jenner

Market Day Services

Wednesdays at 10.45am

4th August Rev B Stephenson 11th August Rev P Clark 18th August Rev J Yarrien 25th August Mr C Warren

Recorded services

Please remember that if you participate in a church service, e.g. reading or serving communion, you will be seen on the recorded YouTube service. If you do not wish to be videoed, please either let Peter Robinson know or decline to volunteer for that duty. No one sitting in the congregation or in the Junior Church area can be seen, as the videoing is directed towards the lectern, communion table and pulpit.

Circuit Farewell to the Revd Peter Clark

There will be a Circuit Farewell Service for the Revd Peter Clark at 4pm on Sunday, 26th September, at Bridport United Church, to be followed by a tea. All are welcome to attend. Information about our own farewell to Peter at UCD will be in the next Newsletter which is due out at the end of August.

New Stewards

At our AGM on 1st July, Mary Martin, Janice Young and John Hilton stepped down as stewards, and we thank them for all their hard work and dedication. Three new stewards were elected: Marilyn Mould, Jenny Mair and Paul Smith.

Seat bookings for services

Due to Wendy being away at various times in August, if you need to book or change your seat bookings on the following specific dates:

Friday August 6 – Sunday August 8 – please contact Gillian Daniel

Monday August 23 – Sunday August 29 – please contact Mary Martin

Contact details for Gillian and Mary can be found in the UCD Address Book, which is available on the Members' Resources area of the UCD web site.

All permanent bookings and any changes given to Wendy before these dates will be incorporated before the booking forms are given to Gillian and Mary. For any other dates Wendy will be continuing to take bookings. Thank you.

Thank you

Thank you to Kevin, Susy and Myra for organising the thrice weekly Coffee and Chat on Zoom. It has been appreciated by many through difficult times over the last months.

Thank you to all those who have volunteered with the Support Service, bringing shopping and prescriptions to your home. Thank you especially to Peter and Gill Robinson for organising and running the service so efficiently. Knowing the service was there took pressure off people when they were at their most stressed.

Open House at the Manse

Revs John and Cora Yarrien invite you to join them at the Manse (7 Capitol Close, Dorchester) for one of our "Open House" sessions:

Monday 23rd August - 1pm to 5pm

Tuesday 24th August - 10am to 1pm

Wednesday 25th August - 5pm to 9pm

You are very welcome in the Manse garden, where we will be able to meet safely, and enjoy some light refreshments. We look forward to meeting with you and getting to know you better.

Cream Tea in aid of Dorchester Poverty Action

Sunday 5th September 2.30pm – 4.30pm at the Old Vicarage, The Green, Puddletown (opposite the church)

cream tea £3, glass of prosecco £2, stalls and raffle

Christmas Shoe Boxes

People are already asking if we will be collecting Christmas shoe boxes this year. We are in the middle of a heat wave but yes, this will happen again this year. The leaflets will be available in the late summer/early autumn. Watch this space.

Quiet Garden Afternoon

There will be a Quiet Garden afternoon at Marian Dunlop House, the home of the Fellowship of Meditation at 8 Prince of Wales Road, a couple of doors down from Age UK. It will take place on Saturday August 7th starting at 2.30 and going on until 4.30pm. Some thoughts for reflection will be offered at 3pm and 4pm for a few minutes. Otherwise our aim is to enjoy some stillness in this lovely garden. You are free to come and go as you wish and we plan to offer you some refreshments. There is some parking at the front of the house.

The Fellowship of Meditation is a member of the Quiet Garden Movement whose aim is to share outdoor space for wellbeing and the inner journey.

Notices for news sheet

The deadline for the September news sheet is Sunday 22nd August. Please send notices for inclusion to Myra Dawson

Church Website

Don't forget to check out the church website (http://unitedchurchdorchester.org.uk), which is managed by Kevin and Susy Rogers. As well as a downloadable version of the news sheet, it also gives information about who's who on the Council of Stewards; who's on what rota and when; addresses in the church directory; our governing documents; annual reports, church meeting minutes and AGM minutes for the last five years; policies and procedures. The website belongs to the church as a whole so you are encouraged to contribute. Where possible, go, discover and explore!

Data Protection Act

In common with most other churches and organisations, the United Church Dorchester keeps pastoral records of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of regular worshippers and friends. The information is used for church purposes only, is never communicated to any other body and is held in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. Please notify us in writing if you do not wish your data to be held by us in this way.