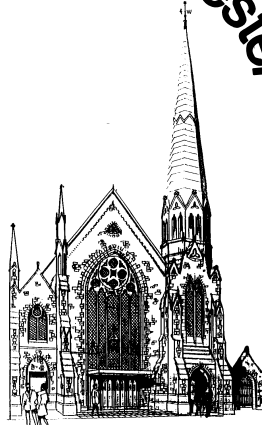


NEWS

United Church Dorchester



JUNE 2019

Registered Charity No: 1137996

Methodist and United Reformed

Part of Churches Together in Dorchester

Ministers

Rev Stephanie Jenner currently unavailable

Rev Peter Clark 01308 425978

Rev Sally Spencer 07568 299695

Please contact one of the Church Stewards if necessary

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Sunday Worship

2nd June **Refugee Week**
10.30am Rev P Clark
Holy Communion

6.30pm Rev David Reep

9th June **Pentecost**
9.00am Ms R Archer
Holy Communion

10.30am Rev D Cuckson

4.00pm Ecumenical service at
Holy Trinity Church

16th June **Trinity Sunday**
10.30am Rev S Spencer
All Age Service

6.30pm Rev P Brazier
Holy Communion

23rd June
10.30am Rev D Reep

6.30pm United Service at
Weymouth Bay

30th June
10.30am Rev P Clark

6.30pm Ms R Archer
Holy Communion

Lectionary readings

Acts 16:16-34
Psalm 97
Revelation 22:12-14,
16-17, 20-21
John 17:20-26

Acts 2:1-21
or Genesis 11:1-9
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Romans 8:14-17
or Acts 2:1-21
John 14:8-17, (25-27)

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31
Psalm 8
Romans 5:1-5
John 16:12-15

Isaiah 65:1-9
Psalm 22:19-28
Galatians 3:23-29
Luke 8:26-39

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21
Psalm 16
Galatians 5:1, 13-25
Luke 9:51-62

Market Day services

(Wednesdays at 10.30am)

5th June Rev B Stephenson

12th June Rev S Spencer

19th June Rev D Reep

26th June Rev J Walker

Victorian Fair, Sunday 2 June

Please be aware that High West Street and High East Street will be closed to traffic for this event.

Church Family News

We give thanks for the life of Doreen Sallnow and remember her family and friends in our prayers.

For those of you who have access to the internet, you can read Mike Jacobson's blog from China at www.knobbottageinchina.blogspot.com

Everyday Prayer

Spirit of Truth, when we find it difficult to feel your presence come to us, invade our lives and re-awaken our faith. Bring us to a place where exciting things can happen, where hope is found and all things become possible. Amen

What's On in June		
Sat 1 st	10.30am	Green Group **
Mon 3 rd	7.30pm	Men's meeting
Thurs 20 th	2.30pm	Solos **
Sat 22 nd	2.00pm	AFC Garden Party **
Sun 23 rd	2.00pm	Sewing afternoon **
** Please see separate notices for details		

Picnic People met for lunch recently and agreed that Picnic People and the Knit and Natter group which followed on Wednesday afternoons will cease to meet from now on and until further notice.

<p>The Monday Fellowship Group meets twice a month at 7.30 p.m. in members' homes. Further information from Mary Lucraft.</p>		<p>The Tuesday Home Group meets at the home of Elizabeth and Paul Haynes, 6 Powys Close, on alternate weeks at 7.30 p.m. Further information from Chris Warren.</p>	
<p>The Wednesday Home Group meets fortnightly in members' homes. Further information from Shirley and Denys Hood.</p>		<p>The Friday morning Bible study group meets every Friday from 10.00 – 11.00am in the Quiet Room. New friends are always welcome.</p>	
<p>Prayer and meditation. Every Tuesday from 12-12.30 p.m. in the church.</p>		<p>Prayer Chain. If you would like prayer for yourself or others at any time, please contact Penny Fennell. Details can be given anonymously, and confidentiality within the prayer chain is absolute unless there is a safeguarding risk.</p>	
<p>Solos</p> <p>Thursday 20th June: 'A Social Afternoon with a Difference'</p> <p>Please join us from 2.30 pm until 4.00 pm for a very interesting and fun session. Please let Angela know by talking with her or by telephoning by Sunday 16th June if you would like to join us. We will meet in the church building - the room will be clearly signposted. Refreshments will be available at a cost of £1.</p>			
<p>Prayer in the Community</p> <p>These prayer groups around Dorchester – intended for local residents – are open to Christians from all churches. The next meetings are as follows:</p> <p>Castle Park – 2:30 pm on Monday 3rd June at 6 Thornhill Close (Audrey Scammell).</p> <p>Poundbury – 7:15pm on Monday 3rd June at Flat 3, 5 Widcombe Street (Mike and Angie Stear).</p> <p>Brewery Square – 10:00am on Friday 28th June at 19 Hop House (Dick and Jane Howard).</p> <p>If you live in one of these localities, then do go along and receive a warm welcome.</p>			
<p>Churches Together Open Afternoon</p> <p>Sunday 2nd June, 3pm to 4.30pm at the Quiet Space, Poundbury. Six groups will each speak for 3-4 minutes, and have a display board. The groups are Dorset Poverty Action, Ecology group, Quiet Space, Chaplaincy, Friendship Club, Christian Aid. All welcome.</p>		<p>Action for Children Garden Party</p> <p>at the home of Sue and Colin, 51 Coburg Road, on Saturday 22nd June, 2-4 pm. Cream teas, bring and buy, cake and plant stalls. Entry £2.</p>	

10.30am service on Sunday 23rd June

At the morning service on 23rd June, led by Rev David Reep, we will have a guest speaker, Lis Webb. Her talk is about 'Japan - land without the Risen Son'. She works with OMF (formerly China Inland Mission) and is coming to talk about Japan, its people and how God is using OMF missionaries there; her son and daughter-in-law have been serving God in Japan for over 8 years. She has visited them several times to spend time with the family and observe their ministry. Lis is not asking us to support a missionary, she just wants to spread the word about how mission works in a very different culture.

The **Christian Aid Market** (and lunches) on 15 May raised £1296.10. The street collection on 17 May raised £366.61. Very many thanks to all involved.
Tony Boyden

Dorchester Poverty Action coffee morning
Saturday 6th July, 10- 12 noon
In the Church Hall
Refreshments and lots of stalls
Donations for stalls can be given to Wendy Hilton

The next afternoon **sewing session** for girls in Kenya will be on Sunday June 23rd, in the Hall, from 2 – 4 pm.

Green Group
Saturday 1st June, 10.30am
'Walk in the College Grounds'
Meet at Kingston Maurward activity centre

Holiday Lunch Club

The Holiday Lunch Club, which offers food parcels to families who struggle during the long summer holiday to feed their children, is starting to plan for summer 2019. Last year over 80 local families applied for help and a total of 251 parcels were distributed. Parcels contain fresh meat, cheese, eggs, ham, fruit and vegetables, as well as non-perishable items such as pasta, rice, tinned fruit etc. A voucher is also provided to help with buying toiletries and baby food. Last year £7,500 was donated by local organisations, charitable trusts and individuals to enable this to happen. One fundraiser to raise money for both the holiday lunch club and food bank was the Gorgeous Garments event in May. Within the first 30 minutes £400 had been raised, and the total raised was £1400. Thank you to everyone who donated clothes to this event.

Please pray for all those organising this important activity and if you would like to donate please contact Kath Joslin.

Cakes will also be needed, but more about that next month.



Quiet Day at the Quiet Space in Poundbury on Saturday 22nd June

Sue will be leading on '**Walking with Ruth**'

Refreshments from 10.30am.
The day will end with tea, coffee and cake at 3 - 3.30pm.
Please bring a Bible, notebook, pen and packed lunch.
Contact Caroline Ellerby to book a place.
No charge but donations on the day welcome.

Inter-Church Quiz

At the Inter-Church Quiz on 8th May we knew that, if any of our teams won, then we would have to organise next year's quiz. I am pleased to say that our best-placed team came equal second, showing a commendable ignorance of cocktails and a surprising knowledge of punk rock, although it would have been useful to have had a team member who knew the capital of Uzbekistan! John Parson

Churches Together in Dorset

Quiet Day: ' Horizons '

Led by Bishop Karen Gorham

Saturday 15th June, 10.30am - 3.30pm

(10.00 arrivals and refreshments)

St Aldhelm's Church, School Drive, Crossways, Dorchester DT2 8WR

Tea and coffee provided. Please bring a packed lunch.

On-site parking. Disabled access.

TO BOOK A PLACE, PLEASE CONTACT KATJA BABEI, COUNTY ECUMENICAL OFFICER

Methodists for World Mission SW Conference

at Brunel Manor, Torquay, October 4th - 6th

Theme: **MOVEMENT - The work of the World Church with people on the move**

Led by: **DR ANDREW DYE**, former Mission partner in Grenada and now Team Leader in Global Relationships for the Methodist Church

Full board from Friday dinner to Sunday lunch - £145

Further details and booking forms from local rep David Reep

Shared travel arrangements can be made

Vision Day 2 – Sunday 28th July (afternoon)

Advance Notice

Following on from our Church Vision Day which we held on the 23rd March, it was decided that the next stage would be to have another one which would concentrate on children and families, which would be open to all the Church to come along to. It will be led by Ruth White who is the URC's Children & Families worker. More info in July's newsheet. Please keep this date free.

Church Website

Don't forget to check out the church website (<http://unitedchurchdorchester.org.uk>), which is now being managed by Susy and Kevin Rogers. As well as a downloadable version of the news sheet, it also gives information about the church and its various groups, events, reports and how to contact specific members/groups. The website belongs to the church as a whole so you are encouraged to contribute. Where possible, go, discover and explore!

Notices for order of service and news sheet

Please send notices for inclusion on each Sunday's order of service (space permitting) to Marion Cox by the previous Wednesday at 6pm.

The deadline for the July news sheet will be 10.30am on Sunday 23rd June. Please send notices for inclusion to Myra Dawson. Hard copy items can be given to her in person or left in the Internal Mail basket in the Charles Street foyer. Unfortunately, anything received after the deadline will not be included.

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.