Methodist Church Ipswich Museum Street

A town centre Christian Church committed to enriching individual lives and the wellbeing of community.



Notices for 9th April 2017

Palm Sunday

This morning's service at 10.45 a.m. will be led by **Luke Rokobuli** The Stewards this morning are: **Grahame Lindsay and Jackie Wells**

Technical help is provided by David Bowyer

Lent Liturgy Responsive Prayer

Let us pray;

All:

Loving God, there are so many choices before us every day. Choices offered by our friends our families, our culture, our own past. Some of them encourage the well-being of the earth, ourselves and our neighbours; others are destructive. Help us to distinguish between them. May we learn from the choices of Jesus and embody compassion, justice, and inclusion in all we say and do.

Amen

Minister: Revd Derek Grimshaw Tel: 01473 805486

Welcome to all who are joining us for worship today.

We ask you to pray for those who are unable to join us for worship, especially those who are ill in hospital, at home or in a retirement or care home.

We hope that you will continue to meet with us for fellowship over a cup of coffee or tea at the end of the service.

Preachers who are taking services elsewhere today.

10.30	Orford	Rev Derek Grimshaw
6.30pm	Elmsett	Rev Derek Grimshaw
4.00pm	Norwood	Martin Ellis
11.00am	Trimley	Chris Finbow
11.00am	Bramford Road	David Welbourn

Next Week's Service 16th April

10.45am Rev Tony Brookes - Easter Sunday including Sacrament of Holy Communion

Preachers taking services elsewhere next Sunday

Bramford	Rev Derek Grimshaw	
Bramford Road	Rev Derek Grimshaw	
Kirton	Martin Ellis	
Trimley	Martin Ellis	
Chelmondiston	Colin Westren	
	Kirton Trimley	

GET TOGETHER, Tuesday 11th April, 7.30 pm "Growing a Dementia Friendly Church."

Roger Fern will talk to us about this topic and introduce the discussion pack produced by MHA and Methodist Women in Britain and circulated to all Methodist churches.

Please make this important subject a "Must".

Zambesi Mission

Handmade Easter Cards are now available to buy at the back of church, with all proceeds going to our Overseas Mission project.

Church Cleaning at Museum Street.

We will be having 2 cleaning afternoons between 2 – 4pm on the days stated below to help keep the property looking tidy for all those who use the Church premises.

Friday 21st April & Friday 19th May 2017.

There will be opportunities to clean inside and outside the Church and refreshments will be provided. As ever, anyone who can spare some time to help will be most welcome and we look forward to seeing you.

Church Property Committee

Thanks

I am grateful to those who sent cards and good wishes to help me celebrate my special birthday last weekend. It was good to be able to spend some time with my Church Family on this memorable day.

Grahame

Flowers

Following the Palm Sunday service, flowers will be removed as we move into Holy Week. On Easter Saturday the church will be changed and flowers and Easter displays will be arranged.

Due to family commitments my time this year is limited and Catherine and I would appreciate any help that's offered. The radiator shelves can be decorated in any style and do not have to be flowers!

Gifts of flowers and small amounts of greenery would be most acceptable.

Let us, together beautify our church for a joyous Eastertide. Many thanks. Betty

Lent Gift Calendar

Today, if we are having a roast dinner then it will cost us 2p. If you are having something else, then it's a "free" day.

However, we are now entering our last week when we are remembering how fortunate we are compared with those who live in other parts of the world.

We hope you have "enjoyed" taking part and would you please NEXT SUNDAY, leave your gift on the table which Ella has been using for the Zambezi Mission

Every blessing - Ray & Diana

CHURCH DIARY FOR APRIL

Sunday 9 th	10.45am	Luke Rokobuli
Tuesday 11 th	7.30pm	Get Together "Towards a Dementia Friendly
		Church" Roger Fern
Wednesday 12 th	10.00am	Join us for coffee
Thursday 13 th	7.30pm	Maundy Thursday Service will be a Communion
		Service with members at Christchurch joining us.
Friday 14 th	9.30am	Good Friday Service
	10.00am	Town Centre Walk of Witness
Saturday 15 th	10.00am	Join us for coffee
Sunday 16th	10.45am	Rev Tony Brookes
Tuesday 18 th	2.30pm	Tea and Talk
Wednesday 19 th	10.00am	Join us for coffee
	10.00am	Midweek Holy Communion
Friday 21 st	2.00pm	Church Cleaning Afternoon
Saturday 22 nd	10.00am	Join us for coffee
Sunday 23 rd	10.45am	Roger Theobald
Monday 24 th	7.30pm	Church Life Meeting
Tuesday 25 th	12.30pm	Community Lunch
Wednesday 26 th	10.00am	Join us for coffee
Saturday 29 th	10,00am	Join us for coffee
Sunday 30 th	10.45am	Rev P Howes

Date for Your Diary

The Annual Church Meeting will be held on Sunday 21st May, following the morning

service and a light lunch.

EASTER OFFERING

You will see envelopes this morning which are an opportunity to give to the Methodist Church World Fund which helps to support mission partners working overseas. Please give and help Methodist Women in Britain to boost this fund. The offerings will be dedicated at a Circuit Service at 6-30pm at Trinity Methodist Church Felixstowe on Sunday May 7th to which all are welcome. Thank you! CMW

Items for inclusion in next week's notices should be with Barbara Wearne by 8pm on Thursday. Email: barbjohnw76@outlook.com Telephone 01473 602276