



CHEAP STREET CHURCH

To know the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit and with Jesus as our teacher to show and share our faith.

Minister:

The Reverend Kate Konrad

Church Secretary:

Sue Way

Assistant Church Secretary:

Caroline Wolffsohn

Newsletter

18th April 2024

Cheap Street Diary

Sunday 21 st April 10.30 am	Morning Service led by Lynn Heaton and Colleen Farquharson Councillor: Geoff Gardner Music: Peter Jackson Door stewards: Sandie Hassell and Judith Hayward Sound: Don Farquharson
Wednesday 24 th April	Prayer Day – further details below
Thursday 25 th April 9.45 am	Prayers
Thursday 25 th April 10.30 am	Thought for the Day led by John Crossman
Saturday 27 th April 6.30 pm	Christian Musical 'Torn Curtain' at Yeovil Methodist Church @ Chelston Avenue. Tea at 5.30pm. Entry is free but donations will be most welcome.
Tuesday 30 th April 7 for 7.30 pm	Sherborne Churches Together AGM at Cheap Street, theme: <i>Becoming Greener</i> , speaker: Brother Hugh from Hilfield
Saturday 4 th May	Coffee Morning in aid of Yeovil Street Pastors at Holy Trinity Church, Long Sutton from 10.30 am to 12 noon
Saturday 11 th May 10 am	Plant Sale , with refreshments including bacon butties – further details below
Monday 13 th May	Marjorie Kett's funeral and thanksgiving service – further details in Pastoral News
Pod opening hours	10.00 – 12.00 Tuesday to Saturday 1.00 – 3.00 Tuesday to Friday

Pastoral News

How lovely it is to be able to give you good news. Malcolm Hooper who recently had surgery for the removal of cancer on the appendix has been told by the surgeon that the operation has been successful and all traces of cancer removed. What a huge relief for Malcolm and Tracy and the rest of the family. Malcolm wishes to thank you all very much for your prayers and good wishes. He is back at work already but light duties only, for a few weeks. With best wishes, love and prayers from us all in Cheap Street.

Jackie Bullen has not been well for a few weeks and has decided to go to Abbey View for a couple of weeks for respite/holiday. We wish you well Jackie and look forward to seeing you back in church in a few weeks, feeling much better and stronger. We send you our best wishes, love and prayers from everyone in Cheap Street Church.

Marjorie Kett's funeral will take place at Yeovil Crematorium on Monday 13th May at 11.20 am, followed by a service of thanksgiving in the Cheap Street Church at 12.30 pm. Please remember Peter, Jenny, Lawrence, Philip and all the family in your prayers during this sad time.

Congratulations to Tasha and Brendan on the birth of their son Xander, a brother for Daisy and a grandson for Penny and Geoff. We send you our love and best wishes.

Please remember in your prayers during the coming week, all church family members who are on our weekly prayer list. **Eirwen Cox**

Birthdays

Tuesday 23rd Jim Walker
Thursday 25th Paul Hodges, Pat Heal and Ruth Rogerson
Saturday 27th Molly Hooper.

Happy Birthday, with love and best wishes to you all from everyone in Cheap Street Church.

Prayer Day Wednesday 24th April

This will take the form of prayer stations around the church. Come and see. Come and stay for as long or as short a time as you want. Special times will be 10.30 and 3pm.

If you cannot make church please pray at home and if you can especially at 10.30 and 3pm. Thank you.
Colleen Farquharson

Fellowship of Prayer

Whenever and wherever we pray in the silence of our hearts, we are part of a rich and powerful fellowship, which serves to sustain everyone in our Church Family. Anyone can join the prayer group by just praying.

We hold in prayer – Peter Kett and his family; Jackie Bullen; Janet Baker's family; Pam and Geoff Tapper; Malcom and Tracy Hooper and their sons Steve and Ben; Janet and Arthur English; Michael and Mollie Hooper; Viv Daniels; Raymond and Juliet Wood; Paul Wilkin's family; George Hamill; Michael and Hilary Brown; John and Sue Litchfield; Simon Evans; Jenn Newcombe; Geoff and Muriel Martin.

Please remember our Cheap Street Church Family in your prayers.

*The Prayer Ring is available for an urgent need or situation.
Call any of these numbers and the circle of prayer will begin:
Eirwen Cox 01935 815960, Penny Gardner 07823 340103, Janet Le Moignan 01935 389662.*

Church Meeting 14th April Key Points

New Appointments:

Church Secretary:	Sue Way replacing Don Farquharson
Assistant Church Secretary:	Caroline Wolffsohn
Safeguarding Officer:	Lynn Heaton replacing Christine Rogers
Community & Wider World Group Chair:	Jan Wallace replacing Jackie Bullen

Stepping Down:

As well as those mentioned above Jan Wallace and Cath Adam are stepping down from the Council. They were all thanked for their service.

Property: Geoff Gardner has too many jobs and every effort needs to be made to share them.

Finance: the Treasurer reported that our finances are currently showing a surplus.

Worship: the service of Music Mondays is growing and meeting a need.

Prayer: the prayer meetings on Thursdays at 9.45 am are of great importance. Our next Prayer Days will be on 24th April and 3rd July.

Same sex marriage: the relevant paperwork needs completing.

Communion: both URC and Methodist styles will be regularly incorporated into our worship.

Chapel Closures: approval for the sale of the chapels at Longburton and Yetminster chapels is expected shortly. Another church organisation has shown an interest in purchasing Yetminster and the meeting welcomed that.

Church Directory: work is ongoing.

Circuit Changes: Bell Street (Shaftesbury), Motcombe and Tisbury will move to the Salisbury Circuit and Wincanton to the Mendip Circuit in September 2024. Ongoing discussions with the Dorset South and West Circuit cover the remaining parts of our circuit.

Don Farquharson

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Don Farquharson has stepped down after serving as our church secretary for two years. Don was thanked at the church meeting. Janet Le Moignan made a presentation on behalf of the church. Don is continuing to serve on the Property & Finance Team and to help with sound and vision.

Margaret's Poem

Folk Tale by RS Thomas

Prayers like gravel
flung at the sky's
window, hoping to attract
the loved one's
attention. But without
visible plaits to let
down for the believer
to climb up,
to what purpose open
that far casement?
I would have refrained long since
but that peering once
through my locked fingers
I thought that I detected
the movement of a curtain.

Refreshments on Sherborne Market Sundays

As an experiment, the church meeting on Sunday gave permission for me to run refreshments, following on from our normal church coffees, on Sunday when the Artisan Market is on in town. The first market of the year is this Sunday so I will be in the kitchen until about 2.30 pm. If you fancy a top up of caffeine to power your market browsing, or your walk home, please drop back in. **Caroline Wolffsohn**

Plant Sale Saturday 11th May

CWW are organising a Plant Sale on Saturday morning 11th May, on behalf of Hope in Africa and Yeovil Street Pastors, the 2 charities the Church is currently supporting. We should be very grateful for plants of all sorts to sell and also for offers to help on the day. Further details will follow, but please book this date now and come and see all that is on offer when the time comes. **Janet Le Moignan**

URC Wessex Synod *Big Day Out* Saturday 4th May

The URC Wessex Synod *Big Day Out* - www.urcwessex.org.uk/synod-big-day-out/ - was mentioned at the church meeting. For more information on the venue, *Hollycombe Steam in the Country*, see: <https://www.hollycombe.co.uk/>. However, it is 95 miles from Sherborne to Liphook.

Methodist Church and United Reformed Church Websites

Cheap Street Church is a united Methodist and United Reformed Church congregation. The websites of the two denominations are: <https://www.methodist.org.uk/> and <https://urc.org.uk/>. The church website address is: www.cheapstreetchurch.co.uk

Good News will be back next week!

Please send contributions to: Penny Gardner pennylgardner@gmail.com, 07823 340103

The National Trust advises that bookings are now open for the Christmas illuminations at Stourhead.