

Southend Foodbank supplied emergency food to 221 people in July 2016, 341 in August and 351 in September. The items they currently most need are: Long Life Juice, UHT Milk, Tinned or Long Life Puddings, Jam/Marmalade/Peanut Butter/Chocolate Spread. Thank you.

Prayer Diary

Sun 6 Today we look forward to worshipping with our friends from Highlands. May we encourage each other to continue faithfully on our Christian journey.

Mon 7 Today we pray for the team of skilled workers who are redeveloping our church; maintaining the beauty whilst adapting and enhancing the facilities. As they take pride in their work may we also take pride in the work You have called us to do.

Tue 8 We pray today for those who meet on our premises. We pray that they have a deepening sense of belonging at Wesley. In particular we pray for the Age Concern community group. Help us to increase our commitment and mission to them.

Wed 9 Loving God, in whose covenant of grace we are called to love you, not as we ought but as we are able, keep us sincere in our discipleship and faithful to our calling; through the merits of your Son our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen
Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Thu 10 We pray today O Lord for those of our church family who are housebound and frail. We remember and celebrate their massive contribution to our church life both in the past and now as they pray for us and encourage us,

Fri 11 Dear God, take away our fear as we face hardships. Give us peace in knowing and trusting you. Amen *The Upper Room, Bible Reading Fellowship*

Sat 12 Be to us, O Lord Jesus Christ, the table set for all, light radiating from your saints, the sun shining in our midst, and the joy prepared for your people; now and forever. Amen. *Symeon the New Theologian (949-1022)*

Sun 13 On Remembrance Sunday we pray for all casualties of war and their grieving families. In honouring their sacrifice we pray for peace in our troubled world.

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Notices for the week commencing Sunday 6 November 2016

We extend a very warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us today.

During our building work, coffee and tea are served in the concourse at 10.30 am *before* Sunday morning services when they're taking place in the Canteen Room (10.15 am on Remembrance Sunday), and *after* the service at about 12 noon when they're taking place upstairs in Wesley Hall. Please do come if you can.

Please use this notice sheet as a reminder as you pray for the life and work of this church.

A prayer before we worship:

God, my creator and my unseen Guide, you have led me to this holy place.

Let a spark of its beauty and your love settle in my heart and live with me when I leave.

Sun 6th	11 am	The Zone on Sunday
32nd in	11 am	United Service of Holy Communion with
Ordinary		Highlands in Wesley Hall
Time		Preacher: Rev. Julia Monaghan
		Hymns: STF 88, 181, 351, 348, 745 (vv 1,4,7,8)
		Readings: Haggai 1:15b-2:9; Luke 20:27-38
		Porch: Eileen Simmons
	12 noon	Coffee in the Concourse
Mon 7th	10 am	Coffee Morning
	10 am	Wesley Art Group
	8 pm	Wesley Theatre Group
Tue 8th	10 am	Coffee Morning
Wed 9th	9 am	Midweek Communion at Belfairs
	10 am	Coffee Morning
	10 am	Parent & Toddler
	2.30 pm	Talking Poetry – Dreams or Daughters
	6 pm	St John Ambulance
	7.30 pm	Meeting to plan use of worship space
Thu 10th	10 am	Coffee Morning
	6 pm	Fusion Kids

Thu 10	<i>ctd</i>	7 pm	Fusion Youth
Fri 11th		10 am	Coffee Morning
		2 pm	Table Tennis 60+
Sat 12th		10 am	Coffee Morning
		11.30 am	Time for Prayer (in Canteen Room)
Sun 13th			Remembrance Sunday
33rd in		9 am	Service of Holy Communion
Ordinary		10.15 am	Coffee in the Concourse
Time		10.45 am	The Zone on Sunday
		10.45 am	Parade Service
			Preacher: Bob Briant
			Porch: Maureen Chambers

Please give any items for the next notice sheet to Paul McDowell in the Administrator's office, or by e-mail to admin@wesleymethodist.org.uk or phone to 01702 711851, by 9.45 am each Friday.

The Office will be closed on Thursday 10 November.

The Autumn Fair raised a fantastic £873.06 to date. There are still some gifts and crafts available, so please take a look at the table in the concourse.

Group to consider the use and promotion of our new flexible worship and community space – Our first meeting will be on **Wednesday 9 November at 7.30 pm**. Blessings, Rev Julia.

Final clean of the new sanctuary – If all goes to plan the Builders will hand back the building to us on 21 November. It will need a final clean before we can use it, and Pam Boughton-Smith has agreed to manage and co-ordinate this task for us. Pam suggests that we have teams to work in 2 hour shifts during **the week of 21 November**. There is a form in the Concourse for you to sign up giving details of the days and times you are available to help. Any help you can give would be much appreciated. – Sue Hockett, on behalf of the Leadership Team.

Leigh Lights Night, Friday 25 November – See page 7 of the Clarion. The hoardings will still be up so we will put lights up and greet people on the pavement in front.

Wesley Theatre Group, 7.30 pm, Friday-Saturday 2-3 December

'Busybody' by Jack Popplewell. Come and join Mrs Piper as she helps the police solve a murder, not once but twice! Tickets £7 from Gaye Greenway, Anna or Isobel Wratishlaw, Judy Taylor or Geoff Fulford.

Night Shelter 2016 – The Night Shelter begins for the Leigh Section on Saturday 3 December. The other nights we are responsible for are all Saturdays 7 January, 4 February and 4 March. If you are able to help as a cook or befriender or can sleepover or can do breakfast on the Sunday morning please do volunteer. The first point of contact is Janet Watson from Highlands Church as she is compiling a rota. Her contact details are 01702 555702 and email wdjwatson@googlemail.com. All of us though can help through donations of toiletries and clothes. At present there seem to be more young men who are homeless so their needs are for hardwearing jeans, track suit bottoms, pants as well as hats and socks. There is very limited space so this year we are asked each month to take clothing with us. At Wesley we have our Night Shelter box in the concourse for you to put your donations of clothing and whoever is on the rota can take the clothing to Whittingham Avenue. – Thank you.

First service in the refurbished church – It was hoped to have this on 4 December, but we need time to get the sanctuary up and running and make sure there are no hitches with chairs or sound etc. Therefore the service on Sunday 4 December will be held **at Highlands at 10.30 am** (joint section service).

Concourse Decoration ready for January 2017 – I am sure you will all be delighted to know that after the Building Redevelopment there is a little money left in the budget for us to have the concourse decorated. This will be done between 28 December and 3 January and the coffee shop will be closed during this time. Ruth Lowden is managing this as she has engaged the decorators she uses for decorating the Circuit Manses. Therefore the concourse will need to be cleared in readiness. The best time for this would be after the Christingle Service on Christmas Eve and therefore anyone who can spare a 10 or 15 minutes to help move tables and chairs into the canteen room would be very much appreciated. – Sue Hockett, on behalf of the Leadership Team.

Trip to the Ballet, The Red Shoes, Sadler's Wells, 2.30 pm, Friday 30 December – The amount for the coach is £9 per person. All money, including that from those who haven't yet paid for their tickets, needs to be in by 20 November. The first coach pick up will be at Belfairs Methodist Church at 11 am and the second at Highlands at 11.15 am.

Reopening Service, 3 pm, Saturday 28 January – Our preacher will be Leslie Griffiths. We shall all receive an invitation, and our friends at Highlands, do please come and be a part of this.