

REGULAR WEEKLY MEETINGS AT WESLEY Wesley Methodist Church, Elm Road, Leigh-on-Sea, SS9 1SJ

SUNDAY SERVICES	9. 00am	Holy Communion - second Sunday in the month	
	11. 00am	Morning Worship - Communion as advised	
	11. 00am	The Zone on Sunday	
MONDAY	10. 00am	Wesley Art Group	
	8. 00pm	Wesley Theatre Group	
WEDNESDAY	9. 00am	Midweek Informal Communion on the 3rd	
		Wednesday in the month	
	10.00 - 11.30am	Parent and Toddler (School terms)	
	6.00 - 9.00pm	St. John Ambulance	
THURSDAY	6.00 - 7.30pm	Fusion Kids (School Terms Yrs 1-6)	
	6.00 - 7.30pm	Fusion Youth (School Terms Yr 6 plus)	
FRIDAY	2. 00pm	Table Tennis 60+ (School Terms)	

Wesley Pre-School Jody French 07581 150978

Daily Coffee Mornings.

The church concourse is open every morning between 10am and 12 noon for our coffee mornings. Everyone is welcome and you can buy a tea or coffee and a slice of cake and meet your friends, or even make some new ones.

On some days there is someone on duty as a listening ear to offer help and support, so if you need some advice they will be able to point you in the right direction, or just simply listen to what you have to say.

The Traidcraft Stall is open 10am till 12 through the week and on Sunday, giving you the opportunity to buy fairly traded goods.

FORTNIGHTLY MEETING

Talking Poetry alternate Wednesdays at 2. 30pm.

OTHER MEETINGS Housegroup Meetings

as advised

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Christian Aid Week - 14th- 20th May 2017

MINISTER'S LETTER



Polly Wolly Doodle all the Way!

14th – 20th May, marks Dementia Awareness Week in the UK, all of which has got me reminiscing about conversations with my Mother, when she still had the ability to speak. I can remember in the early days of her dementia, that we would have the liveliest conversations. They would take a regular, predictable pattern, but could be thrown off course by the unexpected. All of which meant that it was wise to keep your wits about you, or have at hand, a very good interpreter.

If this all sounds too gruesome for you, it's worth remembering that *The Stations* grew out of the same spiritual movement as the *Crib Scene*, which offers another take on the God who loves us and who is divinely generous towards us. The Franciscans wanted to bring a deeply human Jesus into the minds of the people they ministered to and to highlight the reality of political oppression, physical pain, mental anguish, and Jesus sharing in it all.

The conversation would usually start with my Mother asking, how the *Father, Son and Holy Spirit* were getting on. Tuning into the fact that she was probably asking about family members, I would respond that Sam, *the Father,* was doing well at work; Andrew, *my Son,* had sore feet from dancing; and Beth, my daughter, beautifully equated with the *Holy Spirit,* was managing her team at work creatively. This would please my Mother who smiled in response and I felt reassured that I was responding sympathetically. One week, however, she threw things off course by following up with a supplementary question, enquiring as to how the *Polly, Wolly, Doddle* was? I felt totally floored by this request and asked her to repeat the question. She rolled her eyes and became increasingly emphatic. Fearing that we were straying into an area of incomprehension, I tried to change the subject, but she remained committed to exploring the issue of the *Polly Wolly*.

At this point, Andrew, *the Son*, looked up from his mobile phone and said, *"Granny, the Polly Wolly is fine, though she was in the dog house yesterday for eating Dad's steak."* To which my Mother laughed out loud and shook her head.

Looking helpfully to *the Son,* for interpretation, Andrew enlightened me that, *a Polly, Wolly Doodle* was obviously a "labradoodle". Granny was asking how the dog was. He then helpfully followed up with an analysis that it would help if I thought of things more laterally and that communicating through song lyrics was clearly the way to go! My Mum, feeling that he had hit the nail on the head, began singing, at the top of her voice

"For I'm goin' to Lou'siana For to see my Suzy-anna Singing Polly wolly doodle all the day."

This was all a revelation to me, and made me explore the issue of music, song and communication. To me the word dog, seemed a simple word to retrieve, compared to the complexity of labradoodle, but for my Mother singing and a song lyric became a form of communication. I am no expert here, but through reading, I understand that it's something to do with the fact that the area of the brain where memories of our past are supported and retrieved, also serve as a hub that links familiar music, memories and emotions.

All of which makes music and singing so important and at the heart of *Memory Worship*, held on the 3rd Monday of the month at Wesley. My Mum has become increasingly closed in and hard to reach, but when she came last month to the service, the hymns and songs caught her concentration and warmth came into her eyes.

A Prayer from a person with dementia

Listening God. I can't talk the way I used to, But I can still communicate. Be patient with me, as this will help me feel connected

Wise God. I don't have the judgement I used to, But I can still make decisions. Give me choices, as this will make me feel part of things.

Creative God. I can still sing. Help me to enjoy music and send me friends who will sing with me, as this will enrich my life

In the name of Jesus. Amen

Rev Julia April 2017



Forget Me Knot Dementia Awareness Week: 15th - 20th May 2017

Memory Worship would like to invite you to be part of raising awareness in this important week. During coffee following worship on Sunday 14th May, there will be the opportunity to decorate a forget me knot, which will then be part of the display placed on the railings outside. The campaign this year is entitled, *"Let's talk about dementia,"* and aims to breakdown barriers of taboo, shame and isolation, and Wesley would like to play its part.

Memory Worship Team

SUMMER TIME

AFTERNOON TEA AND CAKES

CANTEEN ROOM (ROOM 3)

THURSDAY AFTERNOONS 2-4PM

May 25th

June 29th

July 20th

August 31st

September 28th

October 26th

Our 60+ tea and cake afternoons are starting up again on Thursday 27th April. We will offer a welcome break from shopping in the Broadway or simply a time to chat and meet friends old and new. The cost will be £1.00 for tea, coffee or juice plus a choice of delicious cakes. Stay all afternoon or pop in for a while – bring your friends.

Janet Whiddett

HELPING HANDS

The following contacts from our wider church family may be able to help if you are struggling with housework, gardening or odd jobs?

Gardening Services and Odd Jobs Painting, decorating & Odd Jobs Steve Hockett Mark Wiltshire 07952 058251 01702 475089

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

FUNERAL OF KITTY HARDY

The funeral service of Kitty Hardy is at 12.15pm on Wednesday 3rd May at Wesley. All are welcome. This will be followed by a service at the Southend Crematorium at 1.40pm. There will be refreshments available at Wesley following both services.

THANK YOU

Marjorie Rockley wishes to thank all those people who have been praying for her, sending her cards and wishing her a speedy recovery. She is doing her best to oblige but it will take about six weeks.

WESLEY NOTICES FOR THE MONTH AHEAD

Traidcraft Stall

As many of you will know I am hoping to move house in the summer to Mumbles, South Wales to be nearer my daughters and grandchildren although will be back from time to time to visit my son and friends in Leigh. However this impacts on my ability to continue to run the Traidcraft Stall at Wesley and I am wondering if there is anyone who might be prepared to take it on? If so please come and see me for a chat.

Alison Newnham (tel: 621343 or 07863 954383).

Flowers at Wesley

Please give some thought to joining the flower arranging rota, we would love to welcome anyone who enjoys flowers and would enjoy enhancing worship in this way. Please think about it, no experience needed, please speak to Alison, Sue or Annette Charnock. Thankyou.

Wesley Art News

We are sorry to announce the death of our tutor, Ken Brown, whose funeral was on 3rd April. The group will continue to meet as friends who support each other and paint together. Unfortunately we cannot take on any new members who need tuition.

Annette Jarvis.

LEIGH CHURCHES TOGETHER NOTICES

Activate, a programme of refreshment for women

We warmly invite you to our 2017 events.

Activate Lunch - Wednesday 17th May at 12.15 for 12.30pm at The Stables, Chalkwell Park Drive, part of Leigh Road Baptist Church. Although this is primarily meant for ladies, gentlemen will always be welcome.

The speaker will be Doris Dokpah who is the manager of 'Royal Carers', a local professional holistic care provider. The very good lunch costs £12 and if you would like to come please ring Mary Lewis (tel: 710893 or Alison Newnham (tel: 621343) by Monday 15th May before 9.30 am.

For all chargeable events, please pre-book (by the Monday morning prior to the event) with Alison (621343) or Mary (710893)

CIRCUIT INVITATION COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Circuit Invitation Committee is pleased to announce that it has made an invitation to the Rev. Steve Watts to be in pastoral charge of Rayleigh and Hockley from 1st September and he has accepted. He is currently serving in the Amersham Circuit. Further details about the Welcome Service will follow in due course.

Please continue to pray for the Committee as they also seek to find an appointment for Chalkwell and Thundersley and one for Rochford and another church (to be agreed) as part of the Circuit Vision to have one Minister to 2 churches.

Ian Lowe (Circuit Steward)



FORGIVING

When I look back at some of my mistakes I could kick myself. I am no stranger to mistakes. I know what it feels like To get things wrong, To make an error of judgement. But if I know so much about human failure In myself, why is it so difficult To forgive another human being? Is it because I don't even really forgive myself? I cannot claim To be better than anyone else Yet when I read the papers or hear the news I judge people, As if I was somehow above their failings. Is it because I can see my own weakness In someone else? Do I correct myself by condemning my sins when I see them In another person?

Lord 'To err is human, To forgive divine.' My forgiveness is limited by human frailty but your forgiveness is all embracing, Poured out lavishly From the cross: Forgiveness for the guilty; Forgiveness for those who mock; Forgiveness for broken promise; Forgiveness for those who desert in the hour of need -'Father forgive them, they know not what they do.' Lord teach me to forgive and to accept forgiveness.

(Poem from "LORD of life" by Frank Topping)





Worship for those with and without Dementia

2PM - 4PM 3RD MONDAY OF THE MONTH

DEMENTIA AWARENESS WEEK (DAW) 14th – 20th May

How to cope with dementia carer stress

There's no denying that caring for a loved one with dementia can be very stressful, but whilst some stress is normal and manageable, if you regularly feel overwhelmed you could be heading for burnout. Here's how to spot the signs...

Could this be you?

Take a look at the statements below:

- 1 You can't sleep properly (even when your loved one does).
- 2 You're permanently exhausted and can't be bothered to do things you used to enjoy.
- 3 You suffer stomach complains, headaches or have other aches and pains you can't seem to shift.
- 4. You get angry and snappy with your oved one when they repeat themselves or behave in a way that you know they can't help.
- 5. You worry constantly about money, future and how you'll be able to manage.
- 6. You've lost your appetite and aren't eating properly or are eating too much and have gained weight.
- 7. You're having anxiety or panic attacks.
- 8. You pretend everything's fine and rarely ask for help.
- 10. You often feel tearful and emotional when you think about 'what might have been' if your loved one hadn't been diagnosed with dementia.

Now be honest with yourself. How many of these statements sound familiar? Do you recognise yourself in quite a few of them? Remember, stress doesn't only affect you mentally, it can lead to physical ill health which, in turn, can impact on your ability to be a good carer.

So even if you find it hard to put yourself first (many carers do), if your determined to do the best you can for your loved one, you need to start taking care of yourself too.

Prayer Diary - 1st -31st May, 2017

Mon 1 Lord we give thanks for the opportunity of relaxation from our daily work while thinking of all those who will be working especially in the health service. Amen

Tue 2 Lord, send us out to be kind and keep us united. Help us to encourage others in their struggles with life be they small or large. Amen

Wed 3 Lord, we give thanks for all those who lead our worship in the circuit and give thanks for Worship Academy which is organised each month giving them the opportunity to share and grow together each month. We give thanks for all those involved in organising this valuable programme. Amen

Thu 4 Lord, we give thanks for all who serve at Wesley sharing your love in the local community. The Church Council meets this evening and we ask for your guidance in any decisions that have to be made. Amen

Fri 5 Lord, we pray for all those living with disabilities. We know they face a different challenge everyday and we ask that you walk with them today. Amen

Sat 6Lord, we think today of all who have hearing loss and give thanks for all the love and care taken in training hearing dogs for the deaf. These dogs give people a new dimension to their life. Bless these wonderful animals and those they help. Amen

Sun 7 Dear Jesus, Gatekeeper and Good Shepherd – we give thanks that by believing in you and following your example we will receive eternal life. Amen

Mon 8 Lord, we give thanks for the fellowship and love we receive from other Christians in our community. We pray for Christians around the world, who are still persecuted for their beliefs. Amen

Tue 9 Lord Jesus, as we wake and rise, may we know your presence as the gatekeeper of our day. May our fears be quelled, energy maintained and time blessed. Amen

Wed 10 We praise you, Lord Jesus, for being the voice of peace when we are angry, the voice of love when we feel rejected and being the voice we can always trust. Amen

Thu 11 Dear Lord, we give thanks that as our good shepherd you keep us safe and watch over us day and night. Help us to be kind and encouraging to others today. Amen

Fri 12 Today we think of those weighed down with worries and responsibilities. We ask that they be given strength and hope. Amen

Sat 13 Today we think of those who are lonely or grieving. We ask that you walk alongside them and that they are able to rest in your love and peace. Amen

Sun 14 Dear Lord, you are a God of hospitality and healing, forgive us when as individuals and as a church we have not been welcoming. Give us the grace to know how to meet others in your name, and to serve others in your strength. Amen

Mon 15 We praise you today, Living God, for making a world big enough for all creation. We give thanks for the sun, moon, stars, land, sea and sky. Make us aware today of the beauty of our world and remind us to make the effort to protect it. Amen

Tue 16 Lord, I love it that I can be in You and You in me all at the same time – just like a sea anemone. In my own strength I feel nothing but a spineless lump of jelly but filled with You I can stand tall. *(Jennifer Rees Larcombe)* Wed 17 Oh God, lead me on from where I am to where you would have me be. Give me the patience to accept the bits I'd rather do without and courage to move when you beckon. *(Susan Sayers)*

Thu 18 Lord, when I am submerged and held down help me to remember the sheer power of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, so much stronger, so much greater, than any force that diminishes and destroys; Jesus my beginning and my end. (*Hilary Faith Jones*)

Fri 19 Admit your faults to one another so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous man has great power and wonderful results. (John 5 v 16)

Sat 20 This is the miracle I seek, O living Christ, Your strength and purpose in my hands, Your kindness in my voice, Within my heart your certainty of God, Your love for all mankind. (George MacLeod – Prayer A Christian Companion edited by Susan Hibbins)

Sun 21 Aldersgate Sunday - what a legacy John Wesley left us. Holy Spirit, give us the strength to speak out when we see injustice, the courage to speak up for those denied a voice and hope that our words make a difference; help us to witness to your love for your world. Amen (*Roots Magazine May/June 2017*)

Mon 22Lord, you put such a very high priority on forgiveness, so please show us if there is anyone we need to forgive.(*Jennifer Rees Larcombe*)

Tue 23 The faithful love of the Lord never ends! Great is his faithfulness; his mercies begin afresh each morning. I say to myself, "therefore, I will hope in him!" (*Lamentations 3 v 22-24*)

Wed 24 Father, when we feel bewildered and confused by some of the things that happen help us to keep focused on Jesus so that we act and react just as He would. Thu 25 Be still and know that I am God *Psalm 46 v 10* Lord, please teach me how to 'waste time' on your presence. (*Jennifer Rees Larcombe*)

Fri 26 We pray for those who depend on us, and those on whom we depend, for our physical and spiritual needs. Amen *(Susan Sayers)*

Sat 27 Those who look to him for help will be radiant with joy; no shadow of shame will darken their faces. (*Psalm 34 v* 5)

Sun 28 We give thanks today for all have worshiped and prayed at Wesley over the years. We give thanks for their gifts that are living legacies for the ministry of your word in this place. Bless all who worship here today. Amen

Mon 29Lord, By prayerful offering and heartfelt loving may earth and heaven, flesh and spirit, human and divine, combine to create a communion of life and love that lasts for ever. Amen (Andrew Cliethrow – Prayer A Christsian Companion edited by Susan Hibbins)

Tue 30 Lord Jesus Christ, fill us, we pray, with your light, that we may reflect your wondrous glory. So fill us with your love, that we may count nothing too small to do for you, nothing too much to give and nothing too hard to bear. (Prayer - A Christian Companion Edited by Susan Hibbins)

Wed 31 Go in the love and strength of God. Cherish your relationships. Build bridges at school, home and work. Speak words of encouragement and inspire and know that you are loved. Amen (*Roots May-June 2017 Issue 89*)



TIME FOR HEALING

The next Time for Healing Prayer Group will be held on May 13th between 11.30am - 12.30pm. Meetings are typically attended by six to ten people with the majority often being from outside our usual church membership. The format usually includes prayers of thanksgiving and intercession, together with a short meditation on the theme of healing and occasional testimony. This is followed by the opportunity for private prayer with one or more of the group leaders. It is open to anyone, so please come and join us if you can, and give, receive, or just take much needed time out. The next meetings are planned for the following dates (generally on the third Saturday of each month but please note the changed date for this May):

- 13 May 2017
- 17 June 2017
- July and August TBA

The meditation used at the April meeting was as follows:

Easter and the pain of Empathy

Christ's sacrifice at Easter, followed by His glorious resurrection, is a story of events familiar to both believers and non-believers alike, and, indeed, it is the foundation of our faith. I wonder though, how often do we think of it in terms of healing and empathy for the situations of others. If we look carefully at the accounts of the crucifixion, we can see many references, during Christ's final hours of agony, to his concern for those about him.

Beginning with His concern for those who had condemned and mocked and tortured Him, and who were now to proceed with His execution:

Luke 23:33-34

When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals – one on his right, the other on his left. Jesus said "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

And then, speaking with the repentant criminal crucified alongside Him:

Luke 23:42-43

Then he said, "Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom" Jesus answered him, "I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise."

Followed by arranging care for his mother Mary:

John 19:26-27

When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing near by, he said to his mother "Dear woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

And, finally just before He died:

Mark 15:33-34

And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?" – which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken?"

(All quotes taken from The Holy Bible - New International Version)

Here we see how deeply Christ felt abandoned by God, as he bore all the sins of mankind, those of the past, the present and the future. We can only surmise how he must have felt as he experienced the physical pain of his suffering as well as taking on the mental pain of every victim and the guilt of every perpetrator. We know ourselves, that, when we empathise with the plight of others, we can feel their pain in a very real way too! So we need never fear that God does not know how we are feeling, for he feels our pain or our joy too.

We can therefore pray with others, or for ourselves, seeking God's healing and wholeness of mind body and spirit, confident that He will answer. The answer will come in God's way and in God's time, but it will come, for we are echoing, in our own small way, Christ's everlasting concern for others. His passion and sacrifice are the ultimate act of empathy, for he put Himself in our shoes when He died for us. He is always with us.

If we look back to the Old Testament, there are reassuring messages that God will always be at hand to help us and guide us:

Psalm 46:1 "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble." Joshua 1:5 "As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave nor forsake you."

(Taken from The Holy Bible – New International Version)

Terry Harper



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Each week our volunteers read and record about an hour of local news. It is posted, "first class", to our visually impaired listeners, keeping them up to date with local events and matters of interest.

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The Methodist Church

Growing Through Conflict

What?

Raise your awareness, understand your own approach and gain skills and resources to help you to respond confidently to conflict.

This day will:

- help you understand conflict and how it escalates
- help you develop simple tools to transform conflict
- focus on story-sharing and taking time to hear one another



Who?

For Presbyters, Deacons, Lay Employees and Circuit Stewards in the first instance.

When and Where?

10am - 4pm (with registration from 9:30)

Six dates to choose from:

- 27th April Ely Methodist Church, Ely
- 9th May High Street Methodist Church, Harpenden
- 23rd May Hethersett Methodist Church, Hethersett
- 8th June Priory Methodist Church, Bedford
- 20th June Museum Street Methodist Church, Ipswich
- 14th July Trinity Methodist Church, Chelmsford

How?

Book online: www.growing through conflict.eventbrite.co.uk

Abstract Art not my thing and yet God spoke...

From Monday 10th April to Saturday 15th April Wesley hosted an Exhibition entitled "The Stations of the Cross." The 14 Stations were each simply displayed on a chair covered with a drape around the main Church area. Accompanying instrumental music helped the reflective ambience.

These original Art works were created over the last 20 years at times when Holy Spirit has inspired me to respond to both world and personal challenges through abstract images, which is why there is no one style of work. Presenting the images for others to reflect on and engage within a comfortable setting, allowed people to take their own time to move round the Stations.

96 folk came over the period and many were willing to ask for guidance as to what they could see within the images. To see people interacting with the art was both humbling and exciting. Phrases like...

" very moving, it made me think",

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" very meditative", Just what I needed to see and feel"
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"inspirational"

What was also amazing was to see how people were touched by an art form outside their comfort zone and were surprised by how they had responded.

God touches lives in a myriad of ways, sometimes fleeting glimpses, sometime deep Spirit to spirit. Thank you for allowing me to share this Easter time with you all.

Anne Briant



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

This year, Christian Aid Week runs from 14th- 20th May.

There will be envelopes in the church from 14th- 28th May. You are invited to place a donation in an envelope and then in the offertory tray. If you want your donation to be gift-aided, please fill in the form provided and also place it in the envelope.

Please be as generous as you can afford, as the work of Christian Aid becomes ever more vital each year. There will also be a coffee morning and cake sale for Christian Aid on Sat 20th May from 10am.

Any donations of cakes for sale and or any help you can offer at the coffee morning itself will be much appreciated.

Thank you in anticipation of your generosity.

Adrian Gravatt

FLOWER ROTA FOR MAY

- 7th Flowers given for Kitty Hardy for her funeral on 3rd with fond memories.
- 14th Flowers given with love by Andrew and Alison in memory of Claire.
- 21st Flowers given by Anne Dray in loving memory of her husband, Peter.
- 28th Flowers given by Barbara Redman in loving memory of her husband,Albert.



FUNDRAISING CREAM TEA

SATURDAY 27 MAY

FROM 3 pm

At

THUNDERSLEY METHODIST CHURCH

IN AID OF ARAB ORTHODOX SOCIETY SUPPORTING WOMEN OF EAST JERUSALEM

MINIMUM DONATION £3 PLEASE

ALL ARE WELCOME





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Age Concern Community Club

Wesley Methodist Church Elm Rd Leigh Tuesdays 2 – 4pm

Dates for the Diary		
Quiz and games Wesley		
Speaker . India . Golden Triangle and Shimla		
Railway Wesley		
Salvation Army Hadleigh Rare Breeds Centre .		
History Talk and hands on small animals.		
There is a cafeteria if you wish to have tea.		
Cost to be confirmed.		
Quiz and Games Wesley		
Speaker NHS Complex Care Service Wesley		
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Every 3rd Tuesday of the month we have lunch out Club		
closed		

WESLEY MONTHLY MOVIES

Friday 26th May "A Street Cat NAMED BOB" (12) 10.30am

Based on the true life story and international bestselling book "A STREET CAT NAMED BOB" is a moving and uplifting film that will touch the heart of everyone. When London busker and recovering drug addict James Bowen (Luke Treadaway) finds injured ginger street cat BOB in his sheltered accommodation, he has no idea just how much his life is about to change.

FREE event – Refreshments will be on sale including Rossi ice cream.

SUNDAY 30th APRIL

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SUNDAY 21st MAY

	11.00am	Preacher: Mrs V Windsor	
		Porch: Helen Boyd	
Mon 22 nd	10.00am	Wesley Art Group	
Tues 23 rd	2.00pm	Age Concern Community Club	
		Informal Worship – Sue Hockett	
Weds 24 th	2.30pm	Talking Poetry - S / A Sonnet	
	10.00am	Parent & Toddler	
	8.00pm	Informal Worship – Sue Hockett	
Thurs 25 th	2.00pm	Summertime Afternoon Tea & Cakes	
	6.00pm	Fusion Kids/Fusion Youth	
Fri 26 th	10.30am	Wesley Movie Morning	
		"A Street Cat NAMED BOB"	
	2.00pm	Table Tennis 60+	
Sat 27 th	10.00am	Coffee Morning	
	11.30am	Time for Prayer	

SUNDAY 28th MAY		UNITED SERVICE WITH BELFAIRS & HIGHLANDS
	11.00am	Preacher: Rev Gordon Bates
		Porch: Shirley Mavin
Tues 30th	2.00pm	Age Concern Community Club
Sat 3 rd	10.00am	Coffee Morning
	11.30am	Time for Prayer

FORWARD EVENTS

Sat 6 th May		SPRING SYNOD at Rayleigh Methodist Church
14 th -20 th May		Christian Aid Week
Sat 20 th May	10am-12pm	Christian Aid Coffee morning
Sat 10 th June		Official Opening of Wesley Garden / GIFT DAY
Sat 22 nd July		ALLEGRO in concert @ Wesley

JUNE CLARION

Items for the June Clarion should be emailed to julie.peek@hotmail.co.uk or placed in the folder outside the vestry by **FRIDAY 19th MAY 2017**



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