## **Prayer Diary**

Sun 11 We seek your blessing on our preacher today; Hannah Bucke as she is welcomed back home. We praise You for her calling to minister in the Southend Town Centre Community and the wonderful opportunity she has taken to serve You in this way.

Mon 12 For our lack our compassion, Lord forgive us.

Tue 13 We praise You, O Lord, for the blessings of this day.

Wed 14 O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures for ever.

Psalm 118:1

Thu 15 Help us O Lord to become more regular readers of the Bible.

Fri 16 We praise you Lord for the gift of music in its many formats. We thank you for the various concerts that have been arranged for our pleasure.

Sat 17 Lord, You bring wholeness and health. Bless our Time for Healing; those who offer their gifts of commitment and all those seeking peace and wholeness.

Sun 18 Lord, bless all fathers so that they may care for Your children as You care for us.

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# Wesley Methodist Church

Elm Road, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex Minister: Rev. Julia Monaghan Notices for the week commencing Sunday 11 June 2017

We extend a very warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us today. Coffee and tea are served in the concourse after Sunday morning services – please do stay 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 11th Trinity Sunday	9 am 11 am 11 am	Service of Holy Communion The Zone on Sunday Morning Worship Preacher: Rev. Hannah Bucke Hymns: STF 14, 6, 727, 499, 410 Readings: Genesis 1:1-2:4a; Psalm 8 (STF 801); Matthew 28:16-20 Porch: Shirley Mavin Flowers: Given by Betty Bambury in loving memory of her husband
Mon 12th	10 am 10 am 8 pm	Coffee Morning Wesley Art Group Wesley Theatre Group
Tue 13th	10 am	Coffee Morning
Wed 14th	10 am 10 am 2.30 pm 6 pm 7 pm	Coffee Morning Parent & Toddler Talking Poetry – Time or Therapy St John Ambulance Bible Month – Circuit Bible Study plus meal (see overleaf)

Thu 15th	10 am 6 pm	Coffee Morning Fusion Kids & Youth
Fri 16th	10 am 10.30 am 2 pm	Coffee Morning Movie Morning – Housewife, 49 Table Tennis 60+
Sat 17th	10 am 11.30 am	Coffee Morning Time for Healing
Sun 18th 11th in Ordinary Time	11 am	Morning Worship Preacher: Jonathan Logan Porch: David Cox

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.

Paul will not be in the office on Monday 12 June.

## **Increasing Our Offerings**

Many people at Wesley give very generously of their time and money, but we have a significant issue which we are currently facing. This year we are facing a shortfall of £11,000 in running the church. Please could everyone prayerfully consider their regular giving? Could you manage to increase what you are already committed to giving, or even think about starting to give regularly via Standing Order or our Envelope Scheme? If you are a tax payer, and complete a declaration form, we can claim back a further 25% in Gift Aid. Although we can claim gift aid on cash in the offertory bag, there is an annual limit and it doesn't help us to see what we are receiving on a regular basis. For Envelopes contact keithcharnock2@gmail.com or for Standing Orders contact TinaGowers@sky.com. Thank you so much for all you are able to give. Wesley Church Council, May 2017.

## **Christian Aid**

Many thanks to anyone who contributed in any way to the Christian Aid Week appeal which raised the great sum of £512. – Adrian Gravatt.

## Leigh Art Trail

Unfortunately David Crawford, who was to have been exhibiting at Wesley, has had to pull out of the Art Trail for health reasons.

#### **Bible Month**

During June, across the Connexion there is a Bible month, taking the opportunity to look at the book of James. All information can be found on www.methodist.org.uk. There are also weekly group sessions, one at Benfleet 7 pm on Wednesdays 21 and 28 June, the other at Thorpe Bay on Thursdays 22 and 29 June. There is one joint session at Wesley on Wednesday 14 June. Each session begins with a meal. To help with catering please book for each session – either via www.eventbrite.co.uk (search Phil Warrey) or contact Ruth Lowden in the Circuit Office on 715802.

## Time for Healing

The next Time for Healing Prayer Group will be held on 17 June between 11.30 am - 12.30 pm. 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. Later meetings are planned for 22 July and 9 September. There will be no meeting in August.

## Refugee Week - concert and exhibition

Recital 'Lost in the Stars' with Ian Pirie and Paul McDowell, 8 pm, Monday 19 June (see page 7 of the Clarion). Photographic exhibition 'The Stations' Tuesday 20 – Saturday 25 June (see page 3 of the Clarion).

# Allegro Concert, 7.30 pm, Saturday 22 July

At Wesley in aid of our Building Fund and Action for Children. Tickets £10, children FREE. The tickets are available from Paul in the office in working hours, and from me. Do please kindly come if possible and sell to your friends. – Eileen Simmons and Geoff Nash, 472521.

## Let's Talk!

Eileen Simmons is currently unable to send or receive emails so please contact her on 01702 472521.