Memory Worship

We are absolutely delighted to hear that Memory Worship has been shortlisted for a Premier Radio Award, *Love Britain & Ireland Awards*, for work with older people, and has been invited to the awards ceremony on Wednesday 20 September.

The Circuit Invitation Committee has met to begin the Invitation and Stationing Process for appointments commencing September 2018. Its recommendations will go to the Circuit Meeting in September for approval. For further information, please look at the Methodist Church in Britain website under Stationing 2018 where you will find the Code of Practice. – Gabrielle Greenway, Wesley Representative.

Donations to Wesley

For weekly envelopes contact Heather Swain, hmswainma@aol.com. For bank standing orders contact Tina Gowers, TinaGowers@sky.com. Thank you so much for all you are able to give.

Prayer Diary

The prayer diary for July and August consists of longer prayers for each of the days of the week, and can be found in the middle of the July-August Clarion.

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Wesley Methodist Church

Elm Road, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex Minister: Rev. Julia Monaghan Notices for the week commencing Sunday 20 August 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 20th 20th in Ordinary Time | 11 am | United Service at Wesley Preacher: Rev. Julia Monaghan Hymns: STF 323, 363, 343, 25, Inspired by love and anger (see overleaf), STF 364 Readings: Luke 1:46-56; Ephesians 5:15-20 Porch: Anna Wratislaw Flowers: Given by Pam Boughton-Smith and the family in loving memory of her father, Frank Fance |
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| Mon 21st | 10 am 2 pm | Coffee Morning Memory Worship |
| Tue 22nd | 10 am | Coffee Morning |
| Wed 23rd | 10 am | Coffee Morning |
| Thu 24th | 10 am | Coffee Morning |
| Fri 25th | 10 am | Coffee Morning |
| Sat 26th | 10 am 11.30 am | Coffee Morning Time for Prayer |

Sun 27th11 amMorning Worship21st inPreacher: Rev. Peter MoorhouseOrdinaryPorch: Michele ScottTime

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 **11 am on Tuesday 22 August** as Paul will be out of the office from Wednesday 23 August to Friday 25 August.

Inspired by love and anger - hymn for this morning

Inspired by love and anger, disturbed by need and pain, informed of God's own bias, we ask him once again: "How long must some folk suffer? How long can few folk mind? How long dare vain self interest turn prayer and pity blind?" From those forever victims of heartless human greed, their cruel plight composes a litany of need:

"Where are the fruits of justice? Where are the signs of peace? When is the day when prisoners and dreams find their release?"

From those forever shackled to what their wealth can buy, the fear of lost advantage provokes the bitter cry, "Don't query our position! Don't criticise our wealth! Don't mention those exploited by politics and stealth!"

To God, who through the prophets proclaimed a different age, we offer earth's indifference, its agony and rage: "When will the wronged be righted? When will the kingdom come? When will the world be generous to all instead of some?"

God asks, "Who will go for me? Who will extend my reach? And who, when few will listen, will prophesy and preach? And who, when few bid welcome, will offer all they know? And who, when few dare follow, will walk the road I show?"

Amused in someone's kitchen, asleep in someone's boat, attuned to what the ancients exposed, proclaimed and wrote, a Saviour without safety, a tradesman without tools has come to tip the balance with fishermen and fools.

John L. Bell and Graham Maule © Wild Goose Resource Group

The Really Big South Essex Sleep Out

HARP's Really Big South Essex Sleep Out is back! Last year, our amazing Sleep Out Survivors helped to raise just over £8,000 to help local people. This year it's going to be even bigger and better, and we Taking place around 7 October to mark World Homeless Day, families and community groups all across South Essex can choose to brave the elements with just a sleeping bag, or get the tent out and camp in the garden with the whole family. Once again, everyone will receive a free pack with activities for kids to do, along with free wristbands and sponsorship forms. This is a great way for children and adults alike to have a fun evening learning about a local issue whilst raising money for HARP, so that we can help more local people overcome homelessness for good. Sign up at www.essexsleepout.org. – Kind regards, Lisa Walton, Community & Individual Fundraising Officer, HARP. Phone 01702 415834.

Reallocation of posts for September

After Paul's retirement at the end of August, his current work responsibilities will be divided between the following people:-

- Alan Severne will take over lettings, invoicing of same, and printing of the Clarion.
- Trudi Pipe will produce the notice sheet each week.
- All other remaining administrative tasks will be covered by either the Leadership team or Church Council Secretary.
- Paul has generously agreed to continue to cover all worship related arrangements.

Contact details including new email addresses will follow as soon as they have been fully set up.

Thank you for your patience and understanding whilst we transition! – Isobel Wratislaw.

More notices overleaf