

Prayer Diary

Sun 3 We thank you Father for all those who challenge and support us in our faith, for our ministers, local preachers. We pray particularly for Rev. Julia and Sam.

Mon 4 We pray too for our Leadership Team; for those who serve on our Church Council and all those who prayerfully make decisions that affect our church life.

Tue 5 Loving God, you did not create us to live alone and have not made us all alike. We thank you for the varied society of human kind into which we come, by which we are brought up and through which we discover the purpose of our lives. In gratitude we pray for others

Wed 6 We pray for those who have influenced our lives, for those who have inspired us spiritually and for those who have helped us in a closer relationship with you O God.

Thu 7 We pray that we too may be able to influence others in helping them to know your love, O Lord. You have gifted us in so many ways - help us to see what you want us to do.

Fri 8 We pray for our troubled world, for the countries at war with another - we pray for all those affected - for those whose lives have been turned upside down.

Sat 9 We pray for those affected by terrorist atrocities; these attacks are often in random situations, affecting innocent people. We pray that they will feel your love, Father God.

Sun 10 We thank you Lord that we can worship you freely and remember those in some parts of the world who have to do so in secret and who face dreadful punishment and imprisonment if found out.

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Notices for the week commencing Sunday 3 September 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 3rd 22nd in Ordinary Time	11 am	Service of Holy Communion Preacher: Rev. Julia Monaghan Hymns: STF 20, 728, 409, 571 (vv 1-3), 470 Reading: Matthew 5:43-48 Porch: Linda Lister Flowers: Given by David Cox and the family in loving memory of Margaret
Mon 4th	10 am 10 am 8 pm	Coffee Morning Wesley Art Group Wesley Theatre Group
Tue 5th	10 am 10.30 am 7.30 pm	Coffee Morning Wesley Housegroup Circuit Welcome Service at Rayleigh for Rev. Stephen Watts, Rev. Nana Thomford, Stephen Mayo and Matthew Cook
Wed 6th	10 am 10 am 6 pm 7 pm	Coffee Morning Parent and Toddler St John Ambulance Worship Academy at Benfleet

Thu 7th	10 am	Coffee Morning
	6 pm	Fusion Kids and Youth
Fri 8th	10 am	Coffee Morning
	2 pm	Table Tennis 60+
Sat 9th	10 am	Coffee Morning
	11.30 am	Time for Healing
Sun 10th	9 am	Service of Holy Communion
23rd in	11 am	Morning Worship
Ordinary		Preacher: Maureen Gutteridge
Time		Porch: Maureen Chambers

Rev. Julia's sabbatical – Rev Julia is taking a 6 weeks sabbatical from 1st October to 11th November and is back in time for Remembrance Sunday. In her absence Pastor Steve Mayo will be providing pastoral cover and his contact details are: pastorstevemayo@gmail.com, phone 01702 549977.

Time for Healing – The next Time for Healing Prayer Group will be held on 9 September 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. Future meetings are yet to be arranged and will be notified later.

Songs of Praise – The Big Sing, Royal Albert Hall, Sunday 10 September – Join the five thousand-strong congregation at this popular annual event, singing hymns old and new and some traditional Christmas Carols plus, of course, some very special guests. This show is recorded to be broadcast on BBC One on Sunday 24 December and Sunday 31 December. A coach will be leaving Thorpe Bay at 2.30pm and other pick ups can be arranged on the A13. Cost of admission and coach is £30 each. To book telephone Derek Matthews on 01702 582994 or email derek.matthews@blueyonder.co.uk.

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. 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. Sign up at www.essexsleepout.org. – Kind regards, Lisa Walton, Community & Individual Fundraising Officer, HARP. Phone 01702 415834.

Macmillan Coffee Morning, 10 am – 12.30 pm, Friday 29 September
In the concourse, taking part in the World's Biggest Coffee Morning. We hope to have a Cake Stall and would appreciate any donations of cakes, thank you. Do come along, bring your friends, and enjoy a lovely cup of tea/coffee and cake to help raise as much money as possible for Macmillan Cancer Support. Look forward to welcoming you at Wesley. – Ruth and Marjorie.

Matthew Bourne's Cinderella @ Sadlers Wells, 2.30 pm, Wednesday 24 January – I have 45 tickets at £36. Please sign the sheet at church for a ticket. Payment by 10 September, cash or cheques made payable to Highlands Methodist Church. Please give money to Geoff Hawkins. – Thank you, Rev Julia.

Southend Foodbank – This week, the foodbank are running low on: Long life milk, Meat meals, Tinned potatoes and packet potato mash, Tinned vegetables, Tinned or long life sponge puddings, Long life fruit juice and fruit squash, packet savoury rice, tinned custard. As you can see, this is quite an extensive list, and the warehouse is looking very sparse of these items at the moment. If you are able to add an extra item to your next food shop, to donate to the foodbank, that would be greatly appreciated; items can be left in the donation bins in the concourse. Alternatively, the foodbank are also having a one day collection at Tesco Extra on Sat 2 September. Additionally, we are always on the lookout for people to join the rota to deliver foodbank and HARP donations to the collection points in Southend. It shouldn't take more than an hour, approximately once every 6 weeks, and as ever, the more volunteers the less frequently it will be your turn! Please speak to Anna Wratishaw if this is something you would like to be involved in.

Notice sheets – This is the last notice sheet that Paul will be producing. Please give all future information for the notices to Trudi Pipe, at 6trudi9@gmail.com for September and from October notices@wesleymethodist.org.uk. Many thanks Trudi for taking this on. For other changes and reallocation of duties, see the insert in the middle of the September Clarion.