**Southend Foodbank**

The foodbank is very low on the following items, so if you are able to donate, they would be particularly grateful for donations of:  fruit juice; squash; tinned custard; sponge puddings; cereal and porridge; tinned potatoes; packet mash potato; cuppa soup; packet noodles; tinned vegetables (peas, sweetcorn, carrots and mixed); meat meals including tinned pies, curry, chilli con carne, meatballs, chicken in sauce etc; tinned spaghetti; tinned fish; easter eggs.  Overall, the numbers of those using the foodbank are up on the same period last year, so your donations are very gratefully received and will go to those in our community in need. Thank you for your continued support.

**Southend Foodbank AdLent!**

This year the foodbank has published an AdLent calendar - with 40 items to collect during the 40 days of Lent. Copies of the calendar are available on the table by coffee - please help yourself and help us collect as much as possible for the foodbank!

**Foodbank Tesco Collection - can you help?**

The foodbank are holding a one day collection at Tesco Extra on Prince Avenue on Saturday 23rd March. They need volunteers to help - there will be 4 x 3 hour shifts - 9-11am, 11am-1pm, 1-3pm, 3-5pm.

If you are able to help, please let me know. You can email me on awratislaw@hotmail.co.uk. Thank you, Anna Wratislaw

**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

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Notices for the week 10th March 2019

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.*

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| *Sun 10th March* | *9am* *11am*  | *FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper* *Preacher: Pastor Steve Mayo**Morning Service -Preacher: Mrs Eileen Simmons**Hymns: 6, 780, 238, 611* *Readings: Deuteronomy   26  v  1-11**Luke   4   v   1-13**Flowers given by Rupert, Janice and Alex**Bertie in loving memory of his father, Edwin,* *his mother Ann, brother Charles and* *brother in law, Adrian* |
| *Mon 11th March* | *10am**10.30am**8pm* | *Coffee Morning**Wesley Art Group**Wesley Theatre Group* |
| *Tues 12th March* | *10am**2pm* | *Coffee Morning**Age Concern* |
| *Wed 13th March* | *10am**10am**2.30pm* | *Coffee Morning**Parent and Toddler* *Talking Poetry - Spring* |
| *Thurs 14th March* | *10am**6pm* | *Coffee Morning**Fusion Kids/Fusion Youth* |
| *Friday 15th March* | *10am**2pm* | *Coffee Morning* *Table Tennis 60 plus*  |
| ***Sat 16th March*** | *10am**11.30am* | *Coffee Morning**Time for Healing* |
| *Sun 17th March*  | *11am**5.30pm* | *SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**Morning Service-Preacher: Local Arrangement* *Inspire Contemporary Worship* |

**Upcoming Events**

The first is Belfairs Methodist Church's Easter Prayer and Praise Celebration on Sunday 21st April at 6.30pm. An evening of song, worship, puppets and fellowship. The second is the Methodist Summer Fellowship 2019 — a week of faith, fellowship and fun and if you have any queries or would like to know more please contact Eileen Simmons. - Andreas — Southend and Leigh Circuit

**Help Needed**

Is anyone able to play the piano/keyboard or drums for Inspire on 17th March at 5.30pm. If so, please see Sanya who will let you know the songs. Thank you!"

**Circuit Healing Service**

All are welcome to attend the Circuit Healing Service at Benfleet Methodist Church at 7.45pm on Wednesday 27th March. Each service has a guest speaker. This week it is Dr. Mike Devine talking to us about Alzheimer's. If you wish to know more talk to Jane Fulford - 01702 714213

**Thundersley Coffee Morning**

On Saturday 16th March. 10 – 12 at Thundersley Methodist Church, Kennington Avenue, Benfleet SS7 4BS. All proceeds to Church funds.

**Wesley Methodist Annual Church Report May**

Please could I ask that all organisations who contribute to the ACM
report provide me with their report by the 1st April at the
latest, to ensure that the report is out 2 weeks prior to the meeting date, so that the congregation can read the report, and prepare any questions for the actual meeting. Please email reports to: ukspud@talktalk.net - Kind regards  Judy. "

**Time for Healing**

The next Time for Healing Prayer Group will be held on Saturday 16th March between 11.20 – 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 included prayers of thanksgiving and intercession, together with a short meditation on the theme of healing and the 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. We hope to see you there. Further meetings are planned for the following dates: April 13th, May 18th – Terry Harper

**Paul McDowell - Change of Address**

At long last Paul and Kate have moved! Their new address is The Lindens, 4 Gracious Street, Whittlesey, Peterborough, PE7 1AP.  Phone number (from 12 March) 01733 350088. We’re so grateful for all the help, good wishes and gifts Wesley people have given us, and a more comprehensive note of thanks will be in the April Clarion. With thanks, Paul McDowell