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DIARY

MORNING SERVICE

COMMUNION & JUNIOR CHURCH

10.30am

Rev Ruth Jeffries

Worship Leader Katharine Williams

CIRCUIT SERVICE

LOCAL PREACHER RECOGNITION SERVICE FOR PAUL SAVILL

4pm

Rev's Ruth Jeffries & Jeff Short

Please stay for a shared tea after the service

INFORMATION FOR THIS MORNING

We are really pleased to welcome you. If it is your first time with us today, please do make yourself known to one of the church stewards or members of the welcome team – they will be wearing badges!

Please feel free to join us for refreshments in the church hall after the morning service. The morning service is about 1.5 hours. If you feel you cannot stay that length of time please feel free to leave when you need to. During the worship/singing please feel free to sit or stand as you choose.

During the morning service, all children are invited to Junior Church & Dynamite, groups that are suitable for their age group run by experienced leaders. If your child is coming to Junior Church for the first time, please come out with your child to fill in a registration form.

A Crèche facility is available for the under 3's in the church lounge run by experienced and DBS checked volunteers. There is also a TV link to the church in the church lounge. Roughly half an hour into the worship time the children/crèche will leave for their groups

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Sunday 3 rd March	Morning Service (with Junior Church) – Rev Ruth Jeffries	10.30am	MDMC
	Circuit Service (LP Recognition) - Revs Ruth Jeffries & Jeff Short	4pm	MDMC
	That thing at Al's House (yr8 & above)	7.30-9pm	41 Hampton Drive, MD
Monday	Hard of Hearing	2.30pm	Church Hall
	Explosion (5 years old – school year 3)	6-7.15pm	Church Hall
	Fireworks (years 7+)	7.30-8.45pm	Church Hall
	Circuit Meeting	7.30pm	MDMC
Tuesday	Funeral	1.30pm	MDMC
	The Social Hour	1 2.30pm	Church Hall
	CAP 'Fresh Start Group'	5-6.30pm	Church Lounge
Wednesday	Prayers – 6am, 11am, 4pm, 8pm		MDMC
	VIP Club	2pm	Church Hall
Thursday	Toddlers	9.45-11.15am	Church Hall
	Bumps to Babes 0-18 months	1.15-2.45	Church Lounge
	Fusion (years 4-6)	6-7.15pm	Church Hall
	A Choired Taste – Community Choir	7.30pm	MDMC
	Glendon Close Life Group – Lent Study	7.45pm	8 Glendon Close, MD
Friday	Music & Movement	2-3pm	Church Hall
Saturday	Safeguarding Refresher Module	9.30am – 12.30pm	MDMC
Sunday 10 th March	Morning Service (with Junior Church) – Mr Paul Savill	10.30am	MDMC
	At7 - Speaker Mr Roy Ellis	7pm	MDMC

If you are able to receive the weekly notice sheet by email every weekend rather than taking a paper copy from church on a Sunday morning, please register your interest by sending your email address to <u>notices@mdmc.org.uk</u> Speak to Al Savill for more details. All Sermons preached at MDMC are available to listen to on the church website - <u>mdmc.org.uk/sermons</u> Items for notices, including service orders to be submitted by Thursday evenings to Alison Savill, notices@mdmc.org.uk, 657343

PRAYING & READING THE BIBLE IN LENT – STARTING THIS WEEK: This Lent, you are encouraged (and challenged!) to engage in daily Bible readings and join in corporate prayer at MDMC,

PRAYER - Wednesdays 6am, 11am, 4pm & 8pm

Each Wednesday from Ash Wednesday (6th March) through to Holy Week (17th April) there will be four opportunities to meet together for maybe just half an hour to pray at MDMC. They will be predominantly the same, though there may be a slight family emphasis at the 4pm prayers to encourage children to attend and engage in praying together. The 11am prayers on the 27th March will be an opportunity to receive communion. On Ash Wednesday there will be the opportunity for 'ashing' where you can choose to receive the sign of the cross in ash with the words: *Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return. Turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ.* Please try and commit to coming to pray every Wednesday during Lent if you can, whether you stick to the same time each Wednesday or vary it depending on your daily plans. Praying together is POWERFUL!

DAILY BIBLE READING

There has been a leaflet put together to guide you through the book of John on a daily basis, and is available from the welcome desk in the foyer. Perhaps you could read it as a family or a couple, or in your own quiet time. It is designed to be fairly minimal so that it can fit into even the busiest of lives, starting on Ash Wednesday and finishing at Easter.

UKULELE WORSHIP: There has been a fab response to the idea of starting a ukulele worship group, to the point that I think we'll need two groups! I know there are still a few people looking to buy an instrument, but we should make a start while everyone's so keen, so I'll aim to start on Mondays 3:45 – 4:15pm from *Monday 11th March*, and Thursdays 7:30-8:00pm from *Thursday 14th March* both at MDMC. It's not too late to "sign up" – just let me know and I can send you info! Thanks, Kev.

WATER AID- JARS OF CHANGE APPEAL: Lent starts this week and Water Aid are once again running the Appeal 'Jars of Change for Jars of Water'. Can I ask you all to prayerfully consider taking part in this appeal? Over the last 13 years we have raised £5289.89 by simply putting loose change into a jar through the Lent period. On Easter Sunday these jars of change can be brought to church and exchanged for a jar of water. Thank you Barbara Shingler

FOODBANK LENT APPEAL: Foodbank are holding a Lent appeal again this year with two different ways to donate. Firstly, the 40p for 40 days asks you to put aside 40p everyday in Lent, and then pas the money onto Foodbank after Easter. Secondly is the AdLent calendar which can be printed off from the Foodbank website. There is a food item listed for every day in Lent and you are encouraged to buy the listed item every day and donate the 40 items to the Foodbank at Easter. Please see the Foodbank website for more details marketdrayton.foodbank.org.uk

THE SOCIAL HOUR: This group will meet on <u>*Tuesday 5th March*</u>, 12.30pm in the church hall fro a soup lunch. All welcome.

'THERE ARE NO ORDINARY PEOPLE' is an unforgettable evening of storytelling, theatre, music and mirth with speaker Jeff Lucas combining with the talents of the Searchlight Theatre Company. Tracing the story of Barnabas, who contributed so much to the life of the early church, the evening will call you to live the everyday life in a beautiful way. Barnabas is a tremendous example of generosity, encouragement, believing the best, volunteering, and being a practical servant in the church. His life also teaches us important lessons about maintaining unity and navigating conflict. A brilliant evening suitable for all - come and be entertained, inspired and encouraged.

<u>Wednesday 3rd April</u> 7.30pm - St George's Church, Cherry Orchard, Newcastle ST5 2UBTickets £10.50 available at <u>searchlighttheatre.org</u>

Sunday Evenings at MDMC 3rd Mar: Circuit LP service, 4pm 17th Mar: Taize

10th Mar: at7, 7pm 24th Mar: Traditional **AT7** Our next at7 is on <u>Sunday 10th March</u>, 7pm at MDMC when our guest speaker will be Roy Ellis. Do come and join many people from churches near and far in a great evening of worship.

CIRCUIT MEETING Just a reminder that the next circuit meeting is on <u>Monday 4th March</u>, 7.30pm at MDMC.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP MEAL on *Tuesday 5th March*, 7.30pm at Wetherspoons, Market Drayton. Please contact Mike Shingler or put your names on the list on the notice board in the foyer if you would like to come. All welcome.

REAL EASTER EGGS with the true message of Easter are available again this year. Original £3.99, Dark £5.50 or Special Edition £9.99. Also available Sharing Boxes containing 30 eggs and story-activity booklets. Order by <u>Sunday 31st March</u> by signing the sheet in the foyer or speak to Gail.

SUNDAY 10TH MARCH On Duty 10.30am 7pm Paul Savill Preacher Worship Leader Ness Savill Barbara Daniels at7 Reader Robin Faul Church Stewards Roy Ellis Sandra Haughton Welcome Team Team E Organ Al Savill Piano Al Savill Derek Wanless PA Visuals Mike Shingler Bus Driver (am) Mark Smith Coffee (am) Joan Turnbull & Betty Dyde Flowers Chris Ward Jane Hughes (Grace Bishop) Crèche June Aldcroft, Evie Savill, Pene Willson, Children & youth Teams Lisa Savill, Rob Jennings, Jeannette Wanless