

## SHARED LUNCH:

We are really excited to have the **Pulse Ministries** team with us today. They are a children's work team based in Wolverhampton who are leading a training session, a praise party and our All In service this weekend. Following the 10.30am service today, there will be a *shared lunch* together in the church hall. Everyone welcome.

## DIARY

Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> February Morning Service (Traditional) – Rev Ruth Jeffries		9.15am	MDMC
	Morning Service (All in service) with Pulse Ministries	10.30am	MDMC
	Junior Fellowship (yrs 4-7)	4.30-6pm	19 Millfield Drive, MD
	No Evening Service		
	That thing at Al's House (yr8 & above)	7.30-9pm	41 Hampton Drive, MD
Monday			
Tuesday	Social Hour	2.30pm	Church Hall
	Fresh Start Course	5-6.30pm	Church Lounge
Wednesday	Church Prayer Meeting	7pm	MDMC
Thursday			
Friday			
Saturday			
Sunday 23rd February Morning Service (with Junior Church) – Mr Paul Bishop		10.30am	MDMC
	CAP Celebration service	10.30am	Ashley Methodist
	No evening Service		

No children's clubs this week during half term holidays.

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

**LENT PRAYERS:** This Lent, you are encouraged once again to join in corporate prayer at MDMC. Each Wednesday from Ash Wednesday (26<sup>th</sup> February) through to Holy Week (8<sup>th</sup> April) there will be 3 opportunities to meet together for roughly half an hour with led prayers at <u>6am, 11am, & 8pm</u>. More details will be available soon, but 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!

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE ACTUALLY SAY?: In response to several recent conversations surrounding the 'God in love unites us' report, Ruth is offering round-table conversations where particular bible verses will be looked at in depth (including Ruth's limited ability with New Testament Greek!!) and the ways in which they can be interpreted and applied. Due to the nature of the task, Places will be available on a first come, first served basis and limited to 8 people at a time. Please book directly with Ruth via email or when she has her phone on her to make a note!!

Initial sessions are on <u>Tuesday 25th February</u> at 7.30pm & <u>Thursday 27th February</u> at 7.30pm. Once these tables are full, a further table will be opened up on a different evening and so on.

**CAP CELEBRATION SERVICE** at Ashley Methodist Church on <u>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup></u> <u>February</u>, 10.30am. Come and support the wonderful work CAP is doing or to find out more about it. All welcome.

**PRAYERS FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS:** The next Churches Together prayer session for persecuted Christians will be on <u>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February</u>, 2 - 3:30pm in the church Lounge at MDMC. For more information, including recent reports from a number of ministries, please see the P4PC page of the Market Drayton Churches Together website. Alternatively please contact Randall Hardy randall@amen.org.uk

**CHRISTIAN AID CO-ORDINAOR:** Following many years of co-ordinating the Christian Aid week collection, Joan Scrivener is stepping down so a new co-ordinator is required. The role includes:

- Ordering the resources (envelopes, posters, etc) required for CA Week
- Distributing resources and payment details to churches
- Completing financial paperwork and audit forms together with CA treasurer
- Encouraging churches to hold their own CA fund-raising events.
- Working with the Market Drayton Churches Together Committee to coordinate joint fundraising events, such as supermarket bag packing etc.

• Acting as liaison person between local churches and regional CA office If you are interested in the role, please contact Joan Scrivener in the first instance (joanmscrivener@gmail.com).

**'WE ARE MEN' UNITED** is back in 2020 with a vision for high quality men's events across the UK. The first event of the year is on <u>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</u>, 9.30am – 6pm in Stoke on Trent Longton Methodist Central Hall, gathering men to worship, pray, learn and laugh together – with inspiring teaching from Paul Lloyd, Clyde Thomas, Jonathan Conrathe and Simon Edwards. Worship will be led by Noel Robinson, Jamie Hill, Scott Calvert and James Adams. There will also be breakout sessions featuring Lloyd Cooke, Anthony Bostock, Matthew Murray and more. Tickets are free. Book one for you and your friends and come for an un-missable day! Available from <u>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/we-are-men-united-2020-tickets-84888713427</u>

**READERS FOR SUNDAY SERVICES:** Please do continue to volunteer to read the reading at Sunday services. There is a list on the notice board in the foyer for you to fill your name in on any convenient dates. It's a great way of serving and you can volunteer as often as you like!! There are plenty of dates to fill. **Social Hour:** meets again on <u>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup></u> <u>February at 2.30pm</u> in the church hall. Mike Shingler will be speaking, followed by refreshments. All are welcome.

**QUIZ & CHEESE FUNDRAISER:** Not sure what to do with the extra day on <u>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup></u> <u>February</u>? Why not come and support CAP and Foodbank at The Parish Rooms. Quiz led by Phil Turnock, £5 per person to include a Cheese buffet, teams of 4 ONLY. Please bring your own drinks and glasses. Tickets available from Gail Ackerley.

**SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB:** The next Sunday Lunch Club will be at the Red Lion on <u>Sunday</u> <u>23rd February</u> 12.45pm. Please sign up on the list in the foyer by Sunday 16th.

**SHALOM LIFE GROUP** has begun an 8-session course on prayer. The 2nd session is at 8, The Coppice, MD on <u>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February</u>, 7.30pm at and runs fortnightly. Anyone is welcome to come and join us.

**CIRCUIT MEETING** A reminder that the next Circuit Meeting is on <u>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March</u>, 7.30pm at MDMC

**CHURCH SPRING CLEAN:** There will be a general spring clean of the church premises on <u>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March</u> starting at 9am. This will involve cleaning, painting and general tidying up of the premises.

Please can we have as many volunteers to help as possible as this will make the load lighter for everyone. With the thanks of the Property Committee.

## SUNDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY

<u>On Duty</u>	<u>10.30am</u>
Preacher	Paul Bishop
Worship Leader	Rachel Faul
Reader	Bob Miers
Church Stewards	Ness Savill & Trevor Williams
Welcome Team	Team A
Organ	Paul Savill
Piano	Katharine Williams
PA	Mark Savill
Visuals	Kat Talbot
Bus Driver (am) Coffee (am) Flowers Crèche Children & youth Teams	Mark Smith Kat Talbot Peggy Jones Nikki Ap Gryffdd (Jane Hughes) June Aldcroft, Evie Savill, Pene Willson, Jeannette Wanless, Nick Jeffries, Rob Jennings