



EARLY SERVICE
TRADITIONAL
9.15am
Rev Paul Clapham

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 at 10am between the two services.

There is no provision for children at the 9.15am service and the 10.30am service is All Age worship so there are no organised children's groups today. However, the crèche toys are set up in the lounge where is also a TV link to the church. You are welcome to take your child out to the lounge at any point in the service but you will need to stay with them

Life Groups are an important way of deepening relationships with God and other Christians and many have found them a very valuable part of their Christian walk. If you are interested in joining a life group, please speak to Pete Williams.

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MORNING SERVICE
ALL IN SERVICE
10.30am
Rev Ruth Jeffries
Worship Leader – Paul Savill

DIARY 

Sunday 15 th March	Morning Service (Traditional) – <i>Rev Paul Clapham</i>	9.15am	MDMC
	Morning Service (All In service) – <i>Rev Ruth Jeffries</i>	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	Ukulele Club	3.45-4.15pm	Church Lounge
	Explosion (5 years old – school year 3)	6-7.15pm	Church Hall
	Fireworks (years 7+)	7.30–8.45pm	Church Hall
	Church Stewards Meeting	7.30pm	Rowan Road, MD
Tuesday	The Social Hour	2.30pm	Church Hall
	CAP Money Course	6.30pm	
Wednesday	Lent Prayers – 6am, 11am, 8pm		MDMC
	Prayer for Persecuted Christians	2-3.3pm	MDMC
Thursday	Toddlers	9.45-11.15am	Church Hall
	Toddlers	1.15-2.45	Church Lounge
	Ukulele Club	7.30-8pm	Church Lounge
	Fusion (years 4-6)	6-7.15pm	Church Hall
Friday			
Saturday			
Sunday 22 nd March	Morning Service (with Junior Church) – <i>Mr Paul Savill</i>	10.30am	MDMC
	Circuit 'God in Love Unites us' Discussion	6pm	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 notices@mdmc.org.uk Speak to Al Savill for more details.
All Sermons preached at MDMC are available to listen to on the church website - mdmc.org.uk/sermons
Items for notices, including service orders to be submitted by Thursday evenings to Alison Savill, notices@mdmc.org.uk, 657343

'GOD IN LOVE UNITES US' – MD DISCUSSIONS ON 22ND MARCH: The Methodist Church in Britain is at the midpoint of a consultation on 'God in love unites us', the report which the Conference received and commended for study and on which all District Synods have been asked to vote. Those votes will approve, disapprove or approve with amendments some of the key resolutions of the Conference

There are still hard copies of the report on the welcome desk for you to read, or you can access it online at www.mdmc.org.uk/marriage-relationships.

Everyone is now invited to a local discussion within the Market Drayton circuit at MDMC on Sunday 22nd March at 6pm. It will be a really important meeting as responses will feed into the conversations at district synod. If anyone needs childcare, please let Ruth know.

SUNDAY MORNING OFFERING: We're continuing to trial a new way of taking up the offering in our morning services. You will be invited to place any gifts that you give on a Sunday morning in plates at either the front or back of church as you arrive, before the worship begins. It may take a bit of getting used to, so we're going to trial it for a while and see if it 'works!' There is of course, always the option of setting up a standing order if you would prefer - Please speak to Gail if you would like to explore this option.

LENT CHALLENGE: The Greek word 'ichthus' means fish. If we use the letters to form an acrostic we get the phrase 'Jesus Christ God's Son, Saviour'. Your challenge is to use the letters of the English word 'FISH', to come up with a poem or phrase that says something about our faith! This challenge is just for fun and open to people of all ages. Join in, let's see what we can come up with!. For those taking part there might just be a little 'ichthus' for yourself! Let June Aldcroft know by Palm Sunday (5th April).

UNIFORM BANK: Churches Together in Market Drayton have booked two more Uniform distribution days on 7th and 9th April from 10am till 2pm. Help will also be needed to set up from 8.30am. We probably need no more than 2 volunteers for each hour. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you are able to help or speak to Gail Ackerley

SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB: The next Singles Sunday Lunch Club is on Sunday 29th March when we will be going to Bridgemere . The table is booked for 1pm. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer BY SUNDAY 22nd so that we can arrange transport.

JOURNEY OF THE CROSS: at Ashley Methodist Church 7-8th April, 11am-2pm & 7.30-9pm and on 9th April, 11am-2pm.

Take some time out to focus on and explore the events of Holy week. Installation art, film, music & Scripture will guide you through this prayer journey as you explore your own place in the story of Christ's passion. The journey takes about 20 minutes and is an individual journey; although you may request a guide should you wish.

PRAYERS FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS: The next Churches Together prayer session for persecuted Christians will be on Wednesday 18th March, 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

ASHLEY FUNDRAISER: Ashley Methodist Church have organised a series of events to raise money for the new AV system and replacement organ.
~~20th March, 7pm, Organ recital at AMC - Cancelled~~
24th April, Supper and quiz at Peel Arms, Ashley

MD FOODBANK are in urgent need for food. Since 1st January they have fed 537 adults and children with over 5 tonnes of food. Stocks are yet again extremely low and they are struggling to meet the demand. They currently have very little or none of the following items of food after yesterday's session:

UHT Milk & Long life Fruit Juice
Tinned meat (*corned beef, spam and ham*)
Tinned fish
Tinned potatoes
Tinned fruit
Tinned vegetables
Rice
Flavoured rice, pasta and noodles
Jam
Custard
Tinned spaghetti
Sponge puddings
Washing powder/liquid
Nappies - sizes 5 and 6 only
Dog and Cat food
Sanitary products

If you can donate any food, please bring it to a Foodbank session (Tuesdays 10-11.30am and Fridays 12.30-2pm) or drop off at one of the drop off points in town where it will be collected. Thank you very much for your continuing support, your donations are feeding local people every day who would otherwise go hungry.

LENT PRAYERS continue each Wednesday until Holy Week (8th April). There are 3 opportunities to meet together for roughly half an hour with led prayers at **6am, 11am, & 8pm.**

SUNDAY 22ND MARCH

	<u>On Duty</u>	<u>10.30am</u>
Preacher		Paul Savill
Worship Leader		Ness Savill
Reader		Diana Bromley
Church Stewards		Al Savill & Trevor Williams
Welcome Team		Team B
Organ		Al Savill
Piano		Al Savill
PA		Jeannette Wanless
Visuals		Derek Wanless
Bus Driver (am)		Ron Fairless
Coffee (am)		Susan & Steve Richardson
Flowers		
Crèche		Jane Hughes & Evie Savill
Children & youth		Jo Cooper, Lucy Bradeley, Gail Ackerley, Tom Richardson, Alisha, Kevin Lee
Teams		