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## WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT WEST KIRBY METHODIST CHURCH

**SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> February 2012**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**Overseas Mission Sunday**

10.00 a.m. Prayer group meets in Room 1

10.30 a.m. **Preacher:** Mr. Ian Jackson

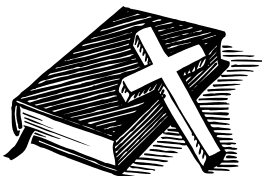
**6.30 p.m. United Service with St Bridget's  
here at Westbourne Road**

**Preacher:** Rev'd Jim Dobson

**Welcome Stewards:** a.m. Jennifer Pantall & Veronica Wilkinson  
p.m. Helen McCall

**Readers:** a.m. Jennifer Pantall  
p.m. Helen McCall

**The set Bible readings are:**



Genesis 9: 8-17

Psalm 25: 1-10

1 Peter 3: 18-22

Mark 1: 9-15

**The flowers are kindly donated by:**

Kim Harrison & Erica Rimmer in memory of loved ones

**Prayer** *Written by Wendy Kilworth-Mason (Cornwall).*

We give thanks for those who show that they care about mission,  
taking time to pray for people they have never met,  
donating to mission funds,  
supporting mission partners by their prayers,  
without whom the mission could not be accomplished.

Lord, grant us a common purpose:  
draw us together as a people who are committed  
to sharing the good news;  
make us one with our worldwide family  
of brothers and sisters in Christ;  
help us to work together to your glory. **Amen.**

## **This Week**

### **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February**

**12.00 to 1.30 Monday Munch in Room 1**

### **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February**

10.00 a.m. Toddlers 6.00 p.m. Groundbreakers!

### **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> February**

10.30 a.m. Wednesday Room Rota 2 meets in Hilda Shore Room.  
All welcome for coffee and scones

5.15 p.m. 10<sup>th</sup> West Kirby Brownies. 7.30 p.m. 2<sup>nd</sup> West Kirby Guides

### **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

**7.45 p.m. House group is at 2, Roseacre.**

8.00 p.m. Social Badminton. All welcome to come and play.

### **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

10.15 a.m. Coffee morning and sales table. All Welcome

## **Next Week**

### **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

10.30 a.m. Men's Coffee meets in the School Hall.

**12.00 to 1.30 Monday Munch in Room 1**

5.15-6.15p.m Beavers. 6.30-7.55p.m. Cubs. 7.30 p.m. Scouts

### **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March**

10.00 a.m. Toddlers 6.00 p.m. Groundbreakers!

### **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March**

10.00 a.m. Wednesday Worship led by Rev'd John Barnett

10.30 a.m. Craft Group for shoeboxes meets in The Hilda Shore Room.  
All welcome

5.15 p.m. 10<sup>th</sup> West Kirby Brownies. 7.30 p.m. 2<sup>nd</sup> West Kirby Guides

### **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March**

2.30 p.m. Women's Afternoon Fellowship.

Speaker: Rev'd Carole Natton: *Hospital Chaplaincy*

8.00 p.m. Social Badminton. All welcome to come and play.

### **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March**

10.15 a.m. Coffee morning and sales table. All Welcome

11.00-12.00 Bell Ringing Group meets in The Hilda Shore Room

**SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup> March 2012**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**Overseas Mission Sunday**

10.00 a.m. Prayer group meets in Room 1

10.30 a.m. **Service of Holy Communion**

**Preacher:** Rev'd Jim Dobson

**6.30 p.m. Preacher:** Deacon Jenny Knight

Healing & Wholeness

**Welcome Stewards:** a.m. Meg & Steve Kershaw

p.m. Richard Watts

**Readers:** a.m. Steve Kershaw

p.m. Richard Watts

**The set Bible readings are:**



Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16

Psalm 22: 23-31

Romans 4: 13 - 25

Mark 8: 31 - 38

**Singing the Faith:** A number of people with a music copy have asked for advanced notice if something from this book is to be sung in church. If you would like to be informed, please tell me. I can't promise to remember every time but will try. If you're on email, let me have your address. *Graham Gladden*

**Spectrum:** will meet on Monday 27th February, Room 1 at 7.30 pm, we are having a planning session along with coffee and board games.

**Lent Symbols and Prayers:** As we begin our Lenten journey the start of morning worship will differ slightly from normal. Details as follows.

- There will be no introit and the prayer on the notice sheet will not be said.
- The Preacher will enter the church from the back accompanied by a steward, a reader and a symbol bearer.
- The steward will say the opening words of explanation.
- There will then be a reading during which the symbol is placed on or by the cross.
- The congregation will then say the prayer on the screen.
- Notice of the first hymn will be on the screen after the prayer
- Hymn will start without further announcement
- The service will then continue as normal

**Carers Soup 'n' Support:** The next meeting will be on Thursday March 1<sup>st</sup> 12.00 - 2.00 p.m. We will be joined by Carmel Harney who is the Carers Mentor from IDPF (*Independent Disabled People's Forum*) who will be talking about how she can support carers of people who have or are thinking of having a personal budget.

**Churches Together in West Kirby - Lent 2012:** Please note: the Tuesday evening prayer and sermon sessions will now take place at Caldby Church *not* St. Bridget's as shown in the booklet.

**The Beacon:** The deadline for receipt of material for inclusion in the next issue of The Beacon is Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February. Items should be sent to the Editor, Elaine Philips, 13 Burlingham Avenue, West Kirby, Wirral, CH48 8AJ or by email to [phillips.elaine@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:phillips.elaine@tiscali.co.uk).

**Women's World Day of Prayer:** This year's service takes place at 2 p.m. on Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March at St. John's Church, Birkenhead Road, Meols.

The address will be given by the Vicar of St. John's Rev. Gillian Rossiter. The service has been prepared by Christian women of Malaysia and the theme is "Let Justice Prevail". Some members of the Concourse Singers will be taking part. All are welcome to attend - men, women and young people.

**Next House group is at 2, Roseacre at 7.45 pm on 1<sup>st</sup> March.**

**Asylum Link Merseyside:** Following our interest via the Current Affairs house group and the visit of Ben Kamara (remember him?) on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in December, we have been asked if we can help with general maintenance within their building in Overbury Rd., Liverpool. They have very many needy people visiting on a regular basis and there is a considerable ongoing effort required to keep the facility in a serviceable condition. We would like to set up a rota of able volunteers who would visit fortnightly, in pairs, on Fridays. Anyone who is interested in helping with this rewarding/worthwhile project either regularly or occasionally please contact David Cross or Ian Jackson.

**Impossible God: The Passion Play" at 7.00 pm on Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>:** "Impossible God" a one-man passion play written by Frank Topping and performed by his son Mark. It recreates the world of those who witnessed the Easter story and their experience of the events. Tickets cost £5 and are available from the stewards or the church office (0151 625 3224). **You can eat before the performance**, a combined meal and play ticket (*limited to sixty people*) is also available for a bargain £10! The meal will start at 5.00 pm

All notices should be received by Ann Taylor in writing by 11.59 pm on Tuesday preceding the Sunday of publication. E-mail: [anncanada@googlemail.com](mailto:anncanada@googlemail.com) or otherwise to 42 Grange Farm Crescent West Kirby CH48 9YB or Telephone 0151 625 1451