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### BARROW UPON SOAR METHODIST CHURCH

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## NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2023

### WEEKLY DIARY

Playgroup meets every day during school term

Sunday 8 January	10.45 am	Covenant Service with Rev Sandra Marshall Steward: Sandra Coffee:
Monday 9 January	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 2.00 pm 6.30 – 9.00 pm	Playgroup New Horizons 1 <sup>st</sup> Barrow upon Soar Guides
Tuesday 10 January	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 4.30 – 7.30 pm	Playgroup new term begins Cosmic Theatre School
Wednesday 11 January	8.45 am – 1.00 pm 7.30 pm	Playgroup Ladies Circle
Thursday 12 January	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 7.30 – 9.30 pm	Playgroup Barrow Youth Theatre meet in the Hall
Friday 13 January	8.45 am – 4.00 pm	Playgroup
Saturday 14 January	6.00 - 7.15 pm	Karate in the rear Hall

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 8 January	10.15 am	Covenant Service with Rev Sandra Marshall Steward: Sandra Coffee: Sue and Adrian
Sunday 15 January	10.15 am	Anne Temple Steward: Kate Coffee: Sandra
Sunday 22 January	<b>10.00 am</b>	At Barrow upon Soar Baptist Church - Churches Together – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Sunday 29 January	10.15 am	Rev Andrew Lomax Steward: Heather Coffee: Janet
Sunday 5 February	10.15 am	John Bateman Steward: Natalie Coffee: Sue and Adrian
Sunday 12 February	10.15 am	Chris Watkins Steward: Kate Coffee: Mike
Sunday 19 February	10.15 am	Nigel Wrighton Steward: Sandra Coffee:
Sunday 26 February	10.15 am	Local Arrangement Steward: Natalie Coffee:

## THANK YOU

We have received a card from Jennie Vyner (mee Mitchell) expressing the thanks of herself and the family to everyone who helped at the Thanksgiving Service for Don on 8<sup>th</sup> December - the card is in the Welcome Coffee Bar if you haven't seen it. Barbara is now living with Jennie and Mark in Loughborough and if anyone would like to visit her they would be most welcome.

*Editor: (I am not publishing Jennie's address and phone number as these notices go on the internet but please ask me if you would like details!)*

## SAVE POSTAGE STAMPS FOR RNIB

Please collect your POSTAGE STAMPS from your Christmas post to help raise funds for RNIB. Make sure the stamp has a border of about 1cm of the envelop still attached. The collecting box is in the Welcome Coffee Bar - Many thanks Kate.

## COFFEE ROTA

There is a new Coffee Rota for the 2023 on the Coffee Bar hatch – please have a look and sign up to do a turn! Any queries please see Mike. Many thanks

## FOOD BANK

As you may be aware Adrian and I have undertaken to take any gifts of food to the Food Bank. A few days before Christmas we delivered to our local 'hub' at Mountsorrel, and it was very happily received. With your help we would like to continue this ..... and ask for your support and donations as you feel you can. We will leave the blue basket in the coffee bar and take it to Mountsorrel as often as it is full. We understand that gifts of money are also accepted so I am also suggesting that the donations from after church coffee could be sent to this for the foreseeable future..... and that this may also be applied to the Minimarket coffee bar too. Please contact us if you have questions or comments - Sue Speight - Telephone: 01509 413524 Mobile: 07787125176

## NEWS OF SOO

We have had emails from Soo in the USA and she reports that the big storm didn't hit them and neither did the earthquake in California but it has been cold!! (She doesn't like the cold!!) Their daughter and family were with them for Christmas and flew back to the UK on New Year's Day – Soo has been keeping in touch by watching the 12<sup>th</sup> Church on Facebook every week and, of course, she receives our notices every week!! Ian hasn't been well and we continue to hold them both in our prayers.

## VILLAGE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION 2022

Well, we didn't win this year to make it three in a row but congratulations to those who did:

Best Decorated Business: Freckles Gift and Coffee Shop.  
(This was the class that we were in!)

Best Dressed Street: Beveridge Street.

Favourite Window Decorations: 49 Beveridge Street.

Favourite House Decorations: 17 Rustat Close.

## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity starts on Monday 16 January and details of the daily prayer meetings organised by Barrow upon Soar Churches Together are shown below. Please see Tilly for details of the study pamphlet or any queries.

Date	Venue	Tome
Monday 16 January	Holy Trinity Church	9.30 am
Tuesday 17 January	Baptist Church (Downstairs)	10.30 am
Wednesday 18 January	Holy Trinity	10.30 am
	Zoom	7.30 pm
Thursday 19 January	Methodist Church	9.30 am
Friday 20 January	Baptist Church (Upstairs) led by Catholic Church	1.30 pm
Sunday 22 January	Service at the Baptist Church	10.00 am

## BOOK THE DATES

Caroline Sharpe  
Singer, Choir Director, Craftswoman



**SATURDAY 18<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2023**

**CAROLINE SHARPE SINGERS IN CONCERT**

More information and tickets available soon from Mike Morley



**SATURDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2023**

**11.00 am to 3.00 pm**

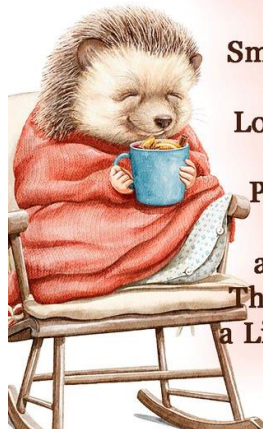
Local crafters with a great range of items for every taste!

Cake stall plus jams and pickles – Refreshments – Raffle

**ADMISSION FREE**

**Queries for stalls to Natalie please**

### NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION



Laugh a Little  
Louder  
Smile a Little  
Bigger  
Love a Little  
Deeper  
Pray a Lot  
Harder  
and Walk  
Through Life  
a Little Slower

WOMEN  
WORKING

### PRAYER FOR TODAY

Open our eyes, O God, to behold your presence round about us. Let us be anxious for nothing, save the doing of your will and the assurance that all things are possible to us in your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Richard Meux Benson (1824–1915)