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## BARROW UPON SOAR METHODIST CHURCH

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## NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2023

### WEEKLY DIARY

Playgroup meets every day during school term – playgroup on half term holiday

Sunday 15 October	10.15 am	Anne Temple Steward: Heather Coffee: Carol
Monday 16 October		
Tuesday 17 October	8.30 am – 3.45 pm 4.30 – 8.30 pm	Alixandra Dance Holiday Club Cosmic Theatre School
Wednesday 18 October	2.30 pm 7.00 pm 7.30 pm	Cuppa and Chatter Gardening Club Ladies Circle – Making Chocolate
Thursday 19 October	8.00 am 6.30 – 9.30 pm 7.30 pm	Electrical Testing Barrow Arts Theatre Society Church Council Meeting
Friday 20 October	8.00 am	Electrical Testing
Saturday 21 October	2.00 pm 6.00 – 7.15 pm	Crochet and Craft Karate

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 22 October	10.15 am	Local Arrangement: Steward: Natalie Coffee: Trevor and Pauline
Sunday 29 October	10.15 am	Rev Martin Swan Steward: Kate Coffee: Mike and Pauline F
Sunday 5 November	10.15 am	Rev Michael Lees Steward: Sandra Coffee: Adrian and Sue
Sunday 12 November		Village Remembrance Day Service at Holy Trinity Church
Sunday 19 November	10.15 am	Rev Sandra Marshall – Holy Communion Steward: Kate Coffee: Mike and Pauline F
Sunday 26 November	10.15 am	Circuit Service at Christchurch, Shepshed Rev Karen Beecham/Rev Martin Swan

## BIBLE READINGS FOR SUNDAY:

Jeremiah Chapter 18 verses 1-6

Matthew Chapter 9 verses 35-38

## THANKS

Catherine and John Canning would like to say a very big thank you to all at Church for allowing them a Charity stall at Minimarket last Saturday. As most of you know John recently underwent a double lung transplant at Papworth Hospital, Cambridge and they are planning a fund-raising dance at Mountsorrel Memorial Hall next April in aid of the Royal Papworth Hospital Charity. Their stall at Minimarket was the first fundraiser and thanks to everyone's generosity they raised a fantastic £102 – Many, many thanks.

PS: a late donation made it £112 – thank you!

**LADIES CIRCLE** has chosen to support Catherine and John in their fundraising this year and their first fundraiser is detailed below – please tell all your friends and come along and support us.

## LADIES CIRCLE

### FUND RAISING FASHION SHOW AND SHOPPING EVENT

**WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2023 at 7.00 pm**

Tickets £5 each (includes free Raffle Ticket)  
Available from Janet or Taylor's Florist



Your favourite brands with up to 75% off. Sizes 6-30

**All proceeds are for our chosen charity for 2023/24 – The Royal Papworth Hospital Charity**



**BOOK THE DATE NOW!!**

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE - SATURDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2023**

**11.00 am to 2.00 pm**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP - MORE INFORMATION LATER**

#### **CHOCOLATE STALL at the Christmas Fayre**

I am once again organising a Chocolate Stall at the Christmas Fayre and am appealing for donations! I do appreciate that everything and especially chocolate items have gone up in price recently but wonder if anyone could donate something, no matter how small, so that I can put on a good display on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November. If anyone would like to give me a monetary donation, and I will do the shopping, then that also would be very much appreciated. Many thanks - Janet

**WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY** was on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October – this conversation between Pooh and Piglet seems very appropriate at this time.



"Piglet?" said Pooh. "Yes?" said Piglet. "I'm scared," said Pooh and for a moment there was silence.

"Would you like to talk about it?" said Piglet, when Pooh didn't appear to be saying anything further.

"I'm just so scared," blurted out Pooh. "So anxious. Because I don't feel like things are getting any better. If anything, I feel like they might be getting worse. People are angry, because they're so scared, and they're turning on one another and there seems to be no clear plan out of here, and I worry about my friends and the people I love, and wish

SO much that I could give them all a hug, and oh, Piglet! I am so scared, and cannot tell you how much I wish it wasn't so."

Piglet was thoughtful, as he looked out at the blue of the skies, peeping between the branches of the trees in the Hundred Acre Wood, and listened to his friend. "I'm here," he said, simply. "I hear you, Pooh. And I'm here."

For a moment, Pooh was perplexed. But aren't you going to tell me not to be so silly? That I should stop getting myself into a state and pull myself together? That it's hard for everyone right now?"

"No" said Piglet quite decisively. No, I am not going to do any of those things."

"But – " said Pooh.

"I can't change the world right now," continued Piglet. "And I am not going to patronise you with platitudes about how everything will be okay, because I don't know that. "But what I can do, though, Pooh, is that I can make sure that you know that I am here. And that I will always be here, to listen, and to support you and for you to know that you are heard. I can't make those Anxious Feelings go away, not really. But I can promise you that, all the time I have breath left in my body you won't ever need to feel those Anxious Feelings alone."

And it was a strange thing, because even as Piglet said that, Pooh could feel some of those Anxious Feelings start to loosen their grip, cowed by his friend, who sat there stolidly next to him.

Pooh thought he had never been more grateful to have Piglet in his life!

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

From the President and Vice President of Conference

God of peace and compassion. We pray for all impacted by the escalation in conflict in Israel-Palestine  
For all who are mourning. For all who are fearful, today, and for what may lie ahead. For all traumatised  
and re-traumatised by what they have experienced. Enable us to stand in solidarity with people of peace.  
May your Spirit bring peace and healing to your troubled world Amen

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**Grow Our Own Food In The Community**  
- a sharing session by  
**Incredible Edible Loughborough**  
at **Knightthorpe Methodist Church**

 Want to grow your own food but can't get started?  
Need a slice of soil to grow fruit and vegetables?  
Eager to tackle our unfair food system and the global climate crisis?


**21 Oct 2023 (Sat) 10.30-12.00**  
**Knightthorpe Methodist Church**  
**(106 Knightthorpe Road, Loughborough LE11 5JU)**

**Come and have fun learning how & where to produce healthy food for the community and to make the world a greener, better, kinder place.**  
**Followed by tea, coffee, nibbles, questions & chat.**

**This is a FREE event**  
**ALL are welcome**

 **Want to know more?** 

\*Incredible Edible Loughborough (IEL) has 6 gardens in Loughborough for the community to grow their own food.  
Knightthorpe Methodist Church is pleased to partner with IEL to host this sharing session to offer insight to and engage with the community.

**Join members of the Mission team for an evening they hope will be** 

**Monday 23rd Oct 2023**  
**@8pm on Zoom**

An opportunity for collaboration and conversation across the district with ideas, opportunities and tips to help circuits, communities and churches scratch beneath the surface this Advent and Christmas.

**Email [kim.shorley@northamptonmethodistdistrict.org.uk](mailto:kim.shorley@northamptonmethodistdistrict.org.uk) for zoom link**