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### BARROW UPON SOAR METHODIST CHURCH

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### NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 5 MAY 2024

#### WEEKLY DIARY

Playgroup meets every day during school term time

Sunday 5 May	10.15 am	John Pipet Philip with Heather Coffee:
Bank Holiday Monday 6 May	7.30 pm	Sharing Scripture
Tuesday 7 May	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 4.30 – 7.30 pm 6.30 – 9.30 pm	Playgroup Cosmic Theatre School Barrow upon Soar Parish Council meet
Wednesday 8 May	8.45 am – 1.00 pm	Playgroup
Thursday 9 May	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 1.30 pm 6.30 – 9.30 pm 7.30 pm	Playgroup Circuit Leadership Team BATS Bible Study
Friday 10 May	8.45 am – 4.00 pm	Playgroup
Saturday 11 May	2.00 – 3.00 pm 6.00 – 7.15 pm	Motion Dance Karate

#### SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 12 May	10.00 am	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity at the Baptist Church
Sunday 19 May	10.15 am	Roger Latham Steward: Natalie Coffee:
Sunday 26 May	10.45 am	Circuit Service at Trinity

#### BIBLE READING FOR SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

John Chapter 15: verses 9-17

1 John Chapter 5 Verses 1-6

Acts Chapter 10: Verses 44-48

#### MESSAGE FROM REV SANDRA

Dear All,

As you will now be aware I shall be on Sabbatical from May 1<sup>st</sup> to July 31<sup>st</sup> 2024.

Sabbaticals are a great gift to Ministers to allow time for reflection, study and for re-charging batteries. Ministers choose to do all manner of things in this time from retreats, academic study, travel, learning new hobbies to just having breathing space and to be able to have time for family and friends.

I shall be spending time in Rome on a pilgrimage and have some time away with friends. I will be doing some reading around spirituality and worship in the hospice setting and will be trying to catch up with some of my much neglected friends. In between I shall be at home cat sitting!

There will be a message on my answer phone with the number for Josephine on it. Josephine has kindly agreed to field calls and will ensure that all enquiries go to the right people. Please do resist the temptation to ring me as I may well not be here! Emails will receive an automatic reply. Any emails that are received will be deleted when I return so, if your email requires a response, please send it again after July 31st. If you meet me out and about do come and say, "hello".

Thank you for this gift - please continue to pray for me as I pray for you too. God Bless, Sandra

### **CROCHET AND CRAFT – CAN YOU HELP?**

Could anyone help by knitting or crocheting some items ready for Barrow upon Soar Show in September? We need carrots, tomatoes, beetroot, runner beans, peas etc to decorate the bollards. Want to know more then please have a word with Tilly. TIA Thanks in anticipation!!

### **Cuppa and Chatta .....**

We will meet again on Wednesday 15 May and continue through the *summer*, when it arrives, on 19 June. 17 July and 21 August.....



We look forward to all these meetings and then into the autumn and would like to remind you that there is an open invitation to anyone who might like to join us. Please share this message with your friends and family, especially those living alone, or give me their name and I will contact them.

Come and join us for the whole time or drop in for a drink and goodies while you're out shopping..... come to meet friends and strangers for a good chat ....

We will be in the front lounge at the Methodist church on the above dates between 2.30 and 4.30 pm . If you would like to know more please call Sue and Adrian 01509 413524

### **CHRISTIAN AID**

Christian Aid week starts on Sunday 12th May. Once again we are helping with the delivery of envelopes round the village. If you can help with this please see Heather on Sunday and she will let you know what streets are available.



### **BARROW UPON SOAR SHOW**

Schedules are now available for Barrow upon Soar Show please see Tilly or Janet. Please note that the date of the show is now **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September** and not 21<sup>st</sup> as previously advertised.

### **PRAYER FOR THE DAY**

Gracious God, in Jesus we see your image, in all its wonder and beauty, majesty and splendour. In ourselves and in each other we reflect your image and mirror your glory, like an image in a reflecting pool. But too often we distort your image in us. We do not see you in the wonder of the people all around us or your creation. We are blinded to the treasure within us and about us. When we do not see your glory or do not celebrate the treasure of your generous love in the wonder of our neighbours and the delight of your creation, have mercy we pray. And help us to see. Help us to mirror your glory. Help us to treasure the gifts and graces you lavish on us and on all creation. Help us to see you in refugees, migrants and displaced people, as we see you when we look in the mirror, or in the still, calm waters. And help us to be thankful.

Amen.

David Hinchliffe, District Chair, Southeast District


## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2024 PROGRAMME

Day	Venue	Meeting	Time	Leaders
Sunday 12 May	Baptist Church	Churches Together service	10.00 am	Neil Jones and Rev Clive Watts
Monday 13 May	Holy Trinity Church	Prayers	9.30 am	Catholic friends
Tuesday 14 May	Barrow Baptist Church	Prayers	10.30 am	Baptist friends
Wednesday 15 May	Holy Trinity	Morning Praise	10.00 am	Anglican friends
Wednesday 15 May	Zoom (link below)	Prayers	8.00 pm	Baptists
Thursday 16 May	Methodist Church	Prayers	9.30 am	Methodist friends
Friday 17 May	Holy Trinity	Prayers	6.00 pm	Anglican friends

ZOOM DETAILS: Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88579712475?pwd=aWNmNlVlajJkZHN0ankxeHY4bGRQUT09>  
 Meeting ID: 885 7971 2475  
 Passcode: q8vWZ5

### NEWS FROM THE WESLEY HISTORY SOCIETY

WESLEY HISTORY SOCIETY  
East Midlands



**SPRING MEETING**


SATURDAY 18th May 2024 at 2.30pm  
at Mountsorrel Methodist Church

**Speaker:**  
Mr John McCartney, BA, MTh.

**Subject :**  
"Derby - An Epicentre of Methodist Disruption?"

*Tea will be provided. If you intend to come, please contact:  
Mrs Dorothy Mee, Tel: 0116 2374961  
This will help with the planning of the tea.*

### FROM THE CIRCUIT OFFICE



**District Office Administrator**

Permanent part time role  
Working Monday - Friday  
Office-based role with some working from home  
Salary up to £13,000 depending on experience  
Working Monday-Friday up to 20 hours per week

Do you have a customer service and administrative background? If so, please read on....

If you're a highly organised individual with excellent administration and communication skills and have a willingness to respond spontaneously as situations arise, we want you on our team!

This is a diverse role and no two days are the same.

Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity. Apply now and be part of our busy office. If you wish to apply for this role, please email Leslie Jaeger [l.jaeger@northamptonmethodistdistrict.org.uk](mailto:l.jaeger@northamptonmethodistdistrict.org.uk) for an application form. If you would like to learn more about the role or visit for an informal chat, please contact Claire Handley at [office@northamptonmethodistdistrict.co.uk](mailto:office@northamptonmethodistdistrict.co.uk) or telephone 07548 315536.

The deadline to submit your application is by 4.00pm on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2024  
Interviews to be held on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at our District Office in Unit 1, Bouverie Court, The Lakes, Northampton, NN4 7YD.

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Job Description -  
District Administrator



Application Form for  
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