

Prayer for Today

Help me, O Lord, to make peace where I am, to turn dividing walls into bridges, and bring friendship in the place of strife, to be a neighbour to those near at hand, and to those far away. Amen.

From: "Beyond our Tears" CTBI, 2004

The Boiler Project – continued Could you **organize a fund-raising event or complete a grant application form?** Volunteers are needed to mobilize the church to raise the remaining £13,800 we need to pay for our **new church heating**. If you could help in any way, please speak to Christine or any of the Church Stewards. Thank you

Saturday 24th November, 2.30 to 5.30 pm at Woodlands: White Rose Squares Charity Hoedown raising funds for St. Michael's Hospice. Just turn up: tickets £6.00 (plus a Raffle) including light refreshments. This local American Square Dance Club invites you to try American Square Dancing at this light-hearted event. No experience needed, or even a partner, and accompanied children are welcome. Contact Ann 01943-465006 or Graham 07771774100 for more information. See poster in the Main Hall for other details.

Church Flowers. The team who take Church flowers out after Sunday services need one more volunteer, as cover for holidays and illness. If you could help please contact Willow on 884580.

Prayer Tree. In the Prayer Corner at the back of the Church is a prayer tree, with paper 'leaves' provided for prayers to be written on and hung on the branches. All are free to use this at any time. The leaves are gathered together prayerfully before the evening Communion service each month, then presented with the offering during the service.

Church Notices: any items to be included need to reach Peter and Linda Phillips by 7.00 pm on the preceding Thursday, in writing, either via e-mail to peter.linda@theinvernet.co.uk or post/deliver to 50 St Hilda's Road.



WOODLANDS METHODIST CHURCH

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We welcome all those worshipping with us today

If you have recently moved into the area or started attending this church please make yourself known to one of the stewards or leave your name and address on one of the welcome cards to be found in the pews.

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 11th November, 2018 – Remembrance Sunday

Our worship services today:

10.30 am Mr Mike Greenberg

*Sunday School meets during morning service today – details below
Refreshments will be served in the Middle Hall after the service*

6.30 pm Rev Ben Clowes *(change from Plan information)*

There is a Loop System in operation in the church and main hall, for those who use hearing aids. **Large Print** copies of all hymns & songs & the Notices are available. Please ask a Steward for further assistance.

We include prayers for others in every service. If you wish someone to be mentioned by name in these prayers, please ask their permission, then pass the name on to the steward on duty.

Sunday School meets this morning for children and young people aged 4-16. A crèche is also available for under-4s. The children normally join the congregation for the first 15 minutes of the service and then go to their own session, but are equally welcome to stay in the main service if they prefer. Please speak to a Steward for further information.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES from 12th – 17th November

Monday 12th 7.30 pm **Monday House Group** meets at the home of Peter and Linda Phillips to conclude its study of the letter of James.

Thursday 15th 10.00 am **Thursday House Group.** Details below.

Friday 16th 8.10 am **Breakfast Club**
8.30 am **Church open for prayer**
8.45 am **Toast**

Saturday 17th 10.00 am – 3 pm: **Christmas Fair**

<u>Next Sunday 18th November, 2018</u>	
10.30 am	Mr Don Rolls
6.30 pm	Rev Christine Gillespie <i>Holy Communion</i>

Thank you for your offerings on 4th November, amounting to £587.50

And thank you from David and Marion Bucktrout - David is home again now after his knee operation and they wish to thank everyone for all their prayers, cards and love.

Thursday House Group meets again this week, at the home of Neil and Sue Ross, concluding our study of the First Letter of John – this week chapter 5. Further information from Peter and Linda Phillips on 819009. New members always welcome!

Saturday 17th November: our Christmas Fair – Maximum publicity is needed! If you can display a small poster in your car or anywhere else, please take one from the table in the vestibule. If you can display a larger poster, or deliver a few leaflets in your road, please speak to Marion Munroe (or Sylvia Fox). All help will be much appreciated

Also, quiz sheets are now available from David Munroe. Please buy one if you can (cost £1): the proceeds will buy items for the children's bran tub at the Christmas Fair. If you could sell a few sheets to friends or family please let David know and he will provide extra copies.

Gift Service 10.30 am on Sunday 2nd December. As usual we will be collecting gifts for IDAS (Independent Domestic Abuse Service) who have asked specifically for children's toys and/or monetary donations. Toys: please leave these unwrapped and if possible in gift bags for ease of distribution. Donations: please (a) make any cheques payable to IDAS or (b) put any cash in clearly marked envelopes (the stewards will count this and the church will send one cheque for the whole sum). Thank you in advance for your continuing support and generosity. Sue Ross has more information if needed.

ABOUT CHRISTMAS.....

- **Sing for Christmas** at our carol service at 6.30 pm on 23rd December! Rehearsals in the church at 7.30 pm on Wednesdays 5 and 12 December and Friday 21 December. The hope is that everyone can manage 2, but other dates may be possible if need be: please speak to Peter Phillips

- **Be creative for Christmas** by taking home one or more jam jars and decorating them to hold the candles for our carol service on 23rd December. We need 60 in all: there are some examples in the porch to get you going. Then bring the results back to church at any time from next Sunday onwards (please put in the box provided in the vestry). We will provide night lights. Sue Ross has more information if needed.

- **Walk for Christmas** on Thursday 27th December, 2.30 pm: a walk suitable for all ages, which will be followed by **refreshments and a Christingle Service**. More details in due course, but book the date now!

ABOUT THE BOILER PROJECT. Many thanks to all who so generously supported the recent fundraiser at the Manse. Total raised so far (including match funding of £2000 and Gift Aid where applicable) is £11,274.25! If you have not yet had the opportunity to give your contribution, please (a) place it in an envelope labelled Boiler Fund and pass to a Steward; (b) make clear if you are able to Gift Aid it (adding 25% to the value of your donation) and/or (c) if you are in the envelope scheme, put your number on the front of the envelope.