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Prayers

We ask you to remember in your prayers this week the worship, work and witness of the congregation at **Cheltenham Whaddon**.

Circuit Dates, Event & Place: In Brief (further details on each below)

| When | | Where |
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| Saturday 10 August 5pm | Pudding Evening | Clements End Methodist Chapel |
| 13 – 20 August | Inside Out Art Exhibition | Dursley Methodist Church |
| Sunday 18 August 3pm | Tibberton Tent Service | Taynton and Tibberton Village Hall |
| Saturday 7 September 9.30am – 1pm | Foundation Safeguarding Course | St. Mark's Methodist Church, Cheltenham |
| Monday 30 September 6.30pm – 9.30pm | Refresher Safeguarding Course | St. Mark's Methodist Church, Cheltenham |
| Saturday 16 November 10am – 3pm | Advanced (Leadership) Safeguarding Module | Churchdown Methodist Church |
| Wednesday 9 Oct 7.30pm | Concert by Gloucester Brass | Lonsdale Road Methodist Church |

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The Superintendent's Lunch Club

12.30, generally held on a Thursday. All welcome to sit alongside, eat and chat

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| Thursday 26 September | The Belfry, Broad Street, Littledean, Cinderford, GL14 3JS |
| Thursday 17 October | The Whitminster Inn, Whitminster |
| Wednesday 6 November <i>NB – begins at 12.15pm</i> | Cirencester Ashcroft Lunch Club, Cirencester Ashcroft Church |
| Thursday 14 November | The Moon Under Water, Cheltenham |

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News....

Billy Bookcases

The manse at Bisley Road is about to be rented out. Two IKEA Billy bookcases from the property are now surplus to requirements and we have no means of storing them. Some shelves are adjustable. If you or your church can make use of these and can collect them in the next two weeks, please contact Celia Kidd on 01242 236356. Image and size dimensions are attached for information.

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Books+ - Gloucester Royal Hospital

Keith Long, a member of Hucclecote Methodist Church, has recently taken on the role of manager at Books+ at the hospital. The shop is a Christian bookshop with a wide range of secular products as well. Any item not on sale can normally be ordered with a 24/48hr delivery window to the shop and all orders placed by churches will receive a discount. Orders can be placed either by phone call, email or visit to the shop. The shop is open 9.30am - 5pm, Monday - Friday and is based in the Outpatient's Department. Pop in for a chat, buy cards, books, cd's and lots more.

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Area Lectionary Workshops (August 2019)

Leaders of worship are cordially invited to join our first Area Lectionary Workshops during August. These will continue as a series initially throughout 2019 to build fellowship and sharing, inspiring both quality and consistency as we take the opportunity to explore Bible themes and wider links together. We will be seeking feedback at each stage to drive refinement and increased engagement. These workshops are planned for 19, 20, 21 and 27 August. Please come with any resources (e.g. bibles, hymn books, prayer guides) that you might use in preparation for leading worship or that you want to share:

- Monday 19 August (North) at 7:30pm at Bethesda Methodist Church (Naomi & Peter)
- Tuesday 20 August (South) at 7:30pm at Cirencester Ashcroft (Karen & Jackie)
- Wednesday 21 August (Central) at 7:30pm at Hucclecote Methodist Church (Nick & Debbie)
- Tuesday 27 August (West) at 11am at Drybrook Methodist Church (Michelle & Arthur)

As the Circuit Worship Taskforce developed the idea for these events, they felt the Holy Spirit guiding them as the ideas formed. They hope that this will be a time of both giving and receiving. We would invite you all to hold these meetings in your prayers. Thank you.

VSM Worship Taskforce: Karen Burridge, Nick Butler, Naomi Cooke, Michelle Ireland, Debbie Long, Jackie Morris and Peter Allsopp



Chaplaincy opportunity – Brockworth House

We're seeking to appoint a new part-time Chaplain to continue and develop chaplaincy support in Brockworth House. The post calls for a friendly, outgoing person who has experience of supporting older people, including people living with dementia. The post is part time, for 15 hours per week. We are looking for a lay person or an ordained minister who will offer pastoral and spiritual support to all residents as part of the staff team, and also be available to support relatives and staff. An understanding of the spiritual needs of older people, demonstrated through experience of providing pastoral care and leading services, is essential. So too is the ability to address and meet the needs of people with dementia. The person appointed will be in good standing with their faith community and will keep up good working relationships with local faith communities. Part of MHA, Brockworth House is a purpose-built nursing home which offers care for up to 52 people living with dementia. The post is a rewarding opportunity for the right person to foster appropriate pastoral care and fellowship and to make a difference to the spiritual wellbeing of the residents. More information and details of how to apply are available on the MHA website <http://www.mha.org.uk/careers>. The closing date for completed applications is Sunday 18th August.

Anybody wanting to find out more about the post can get in touch with the Manager, Sam Williams. People are also welcome to contact Cathy Dakin, MHA Regional Chaplaincy Advisor (Cathy.Dakin@mha.org.uk).



Dates for the Diary....

Pudding Evening

Saturday 10 August, 5pm

Clements End Methodist Chapel

Exactly 150 years since the first stone was laid to build the chapel. Come and help us celebrate with pudding! Entry is £5 on the door, bring a bowl and spoon! Tea and coffee is provided.



Inside Out Art Exhibition

Tuesday 13 – Tuesday 20 August

Dursley Methodist Church

Exploring life and faith through stone carving, painting and textiles. This exhibition will feature the work of Revd Phil Summers and his fellow artists. Money will be raised, through the sale of tea, coffee and cake (light lunches on Saturday) during the exhibition, for the charity Beyond the Streets.



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Tibberton Tent Service**Sunday 18 August, 3pm****Taynton and Tibberton Village Hall, GL19 3AN**

As part of the Tibberton Show weekend we invite you to join us for a service of celebration and praise in the show marquee at the Village Hall. This year it will be led by the Salvation Army and accompanied by the Cheltenham Salvation Army Band. Everyone very welcome.

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Foundation Safeguarding Course**Saturday 7 September, 9.30am – 1pm****St. Mark's Methodist Church, Cheltenham**

For those volunteers working for the Church who have never attended a Safeguarding course. If you wish to book a place, please contact Peter at peter@familygardner.plus.com

Peter Gardner, Circuit Safeguarding Officer

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Refresher Safeguarding Course**Monday 30 September, 6.30pm – 9.30pm****St. Mark's Methodist Church, Cheltenham**

For those volunteers who attended Foundation training 4 years ago (volunteers must receive safeguarding training every 4 years!). If you wish to book a place, please contact Peter at peter@familygardner.plus.com

Peter Gardner, Circuit Safeguarding Officer

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Advanced (Leadership) Safeguarding Module**Saturday 16 November, 10am – 3pm****Churchdown Methodist Church**

For Ministers, Supernumerary Ministers, Local Preachers, Worship Leaders, Church Safeguarding Co-ordinators. If you wish to book a place, please contact Peter at peter@familygardner.plus.com

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Concert by Gloucester Brass**Wednesday 9 October, 7.30pm****Lonsdale Road Methodist Church**

Book the date in your diaries! This concert is in aid of the National Star College at Ullenwood; Lonsdale's Wednesday group's charity of the year. Tickets and more details will be made available at a later date.

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