

Wesley Place Methodist Church,
Lawton Road, Alsager

The Messenger



www.wesley-place.org.uk

July, 2018

Welcome to worship today. We are pleased that you are able to join us. Whether you are visiting briefly or are new to Wesley Place we hope that you feel at home and among friends. Please introduce yourself to one of the stewards.

Sunday 1st July 2018

10.30am: Rev Christopher Denney - Holy Communion

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service

6:30pm Service led by Bronwen Degg - Alternative Worship

God of mercy, as we rejoice in the resurrection of your Son,
the Bread of Life, feed us with your plenty
and increase in us compassion for the hungry;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR MOBILE PHONE

Message from our Minister

Dear Friends,

For many, July is the holiday month, and if not, then we're waiting for August. You may of course holiday in June or September when it's cheaper, and outside the school holidays, or you may, being retired, holiday at any time of year!

The word holiday comes from the original Holy Day, a day of religious remembrance, celebration, and feasting, all worthy reasons for time off work!!

The reason for a holiday, apart from 'a change is as good as a rest'! is usually recreation. Some really go to town by climbing mountains, or skiing down them, some travel the seas and skies and go to places never before seen, many just like a hotel with a pool near the beach, sand, and sun. I have three simple requirements, a field with a tap and a view, Oh, and my family like a toilet as well, that's 4 requirements as to where we pitch our tent!

I love breaking down words - recreation becomes re-creation, again, like a holy day, a word that reveals our need for discovering who we are, taking time to rest, maybe exercise, and rediscover ourselves with family or friends, relaxing and becoming who we are. What work takes out of us, a recreational holiday puts back.

To be re-created implies we have a creator, were created, and that suggests there's a purpose to who we are, and why we are. One of the best books I ever read was a little book by a Jewish Rabbi simply entitled 'Sabbath'. It was a glorious little exploration of the Old Testament day to remember the Lord. It described the Sabbath, the day God rested from work, as a 'Cathedral of Time'. That was a wonderful discovery for me, a vast space in which to wander, go slowly, remember who I am, and, more importantly, to remember whose I am.

Each of us needs to take time to remember "who I am". And who I love and am, or have been loved by.

Each of us needs to remember “whose I am”, that we are made by God, loved by God, and find the ultimate point and purpose of our life by remembering that.

So I wish you and hope that your holidays will be full of holy days, that your recreational times will re-create you, and that your Sabbath days (maybe ‘down time’ is the modern equivalent) will be great expanses of time in which to remember the Lord who made you, and to delight in being your self.

Happy Holidays!

God bless,

Rob

3Generate - Methodist Children and Youth Assembly

Jonny is leading a group of youngsters, from around the circuit, to this weekend event for anyone aged between 8-23 years old, on the 23-25th November. It is held at Pontins, Southport, where over a 1000 young people met last year.

The weekend includes outdoor activities, topic related workshops, exploring your faith, games, comedy/theatre, worship and prayer and big question debates.

The estimated cost is £25-£50. The cost includes food, accommodation and transport. If you would like to go please contact Jonny as soon as possible. £10 deposit required with application form available from the stewards. Thanks. Jonny Newbould.

Action for children

Valerie Carron would like to thank all the people who helped to raise the wonderful amount of £1081.59p from the home collecting boxes for Action for children. July 8th is the day when we will be collecting the money for our metre of coins .Please dig deep for this very worthwhile cause. Old pound coins will be accepted. Thank you once again.

Thank You

Thanks to everyone who sponsored me in the Cancer Research Race for Life in which I walked 10k last Sunday. I raised £276. Lesley Peake

Diary for Week Beginning Monday 2nd June, 2018

Mon: 2pm-4pm: Monday fun - table top games

Tues: 2:30pm: Women's Fellowship

Wed: 10.00am: Church open for prayer from 10 to 12 noon with
"Time Out" at 10:30. Followed by Tea and Biscuits
7:30pm: Guild

Thur: 8:45am: Breakfast Housegroup - Mad, Sad or Glad

Sat: 10am-12noon: Action for Children Coffee Morning

There will be no Kidz Club (usually 5-6.30pm) this Sunday 1st July, but it will restart again on Sunday 7th July. The later Youth Group will be meeting for a Climbing Wall activity (away from church) with Kathryn and Gareth, so they will not be using the hall

Dates for your Diary

30 Jul - 3 Aug: Summer Holiday Club
9 Aug Family Fun Day
21 Aug Family Fun Day
4 Sep: Worship Consultation
14-16 Sep: Church Family Weekend
7th Oct: Harvest

Readings for your Devotions

Acts 10: 44-48
Psalm 98
1 John 5: 1-6
John 15: 9-17

Services in July

Sunday 1st July

10:30am Steward's Service

6:30pm Service led by Hilda White - Alternative Worship

Sunday 8th July

10:30am Service led by Rev Rob Hilton - Holy Communion

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Sunday 11th July

10:30am Service led by Ian White

6:30pm Service held at URC

Sunday 22nd July

10:30am Service led by Rev Rob Hilton

6:30pm Service led by Mr Ian White

Sunday 29th July

10:30am Service led by Rev Rob Hilton

6:30pm Service led by Mr Ian White

Service at Milton House

8th July

Rev Rob Hilton

Regular activities held this month

Monday Fun every Monday with Stamp Party 2pm-4pm

Women's Fellowship meet on Tuesday 2:30pm

Walking Fellowship meet at Wesley Place at 9:30am 13th and 27rd

Midweek prayer - Wednesday 10:30am followed by tea and biscuits

Guild - Wednesday Evening 7:30pm - 4th

Breakfast Housegroup meet 8:45am on the first Thursday of the month

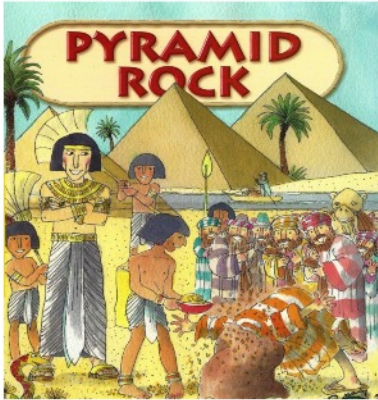
CAMEO Ladies meet 10am at Astbury Garden Centre on the 3rd Thursday of the month

Men's Breakfast (not held in June)

Action for Children Coffee Morning - Saturdays 10am-12 noon

Youth Clubs Sundays- 5pm-6:30pm: Sparkz - youth club for 7-11years
(term time) 7pm:-8:30pm: Ablaze - youth club for 12-18 years

Calling all 5 – 11 year olds



Dare to Dream!

Wesley Place Summer Holiday Club July 30th – Aug 3rd

9:30 – 12:00 each day

£3.00 p.d. or £12.00 for the whole week. Subsidies available for more than one child.

Go to www.wesley-place.org.uk to book your place

A Toddler Group will run alongside the Summer Holiday Club for younger brothers and sisters too!!

Church Family News

As most of you know, **George Heeks** died on Tuesday 26th June. Ruth and family would like to thank everyone for their kindness and condolences. George had so many friends here and loved Wesley Place. We hope many of you will be able to attend his funeral at Wesley Place on Tuesday 17th July at 11am, followed by burial at Christ Church and then light refreshments at Wesley Place hall. Ruth and all the family want as many memories of George to be shared during this time - he was a wonderful and kind man with a great sense of humour.

We would like to celebrate his life and faith by wearing something bright on the day of his funeral. We would request that you do not send flowers but, if you wish, instead send a donation to the British Heart Foundation.

Simon Marshall. His funeral is in Dorset on Friday 6th at 11.30am. Friends who remember him, and his parents, are invited to meet at Wesley Place at the same time - 11.30 for quiet and prayer.

You are invited to a

COFFEE MORNING

at 108 Sandbach Road North

(Sandra Moors' House)

Tuesday 10th July

10:30 – 12:30

£5.00 (including refreshments)



proceeds will go towards funding the 2018 Summer Holiday Club to further our outreach to the young people of Alsager

Anybody willing to make a cake for this event could you please let Margaret Keeling know. Margaret will be selling tickets after the service today

Car Lifts to Church

Errol Triner continues to coordinate and provide car lifts to church, for those who have indicated this need. Currently up to 8 folk are brought to church as part of this initiative. If you are able to support Errol by providing a lift to someone, on your way to church, please contact him ASAP Tel. 01782 511139.

Methodist Church Membership

Rev'd Rob Hilton, our minister, is hoping to start a group for new Members of the Methodist Church at Wesley Place. The group will provide the opportunity to explore questions about Christian faith and the options offered in the Methodist tradition. There is no minimum age at which a person can become a member of the Methodist Church. However you do need to be able to understand the promises that you will be making for Membership. If you are interested please contact Rob as soon as possible.

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 by **Wednesday 8pm** please.

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Wesley Place facebook page - Wesley Place church

If you miss a copy of the pew leaflet or would like to see photos of what has been happening here at Wesley Place you can find them on the Wesley Place website - www.wesley-place.org.uk

Visit the Circuit website (www.cheshiresouth.org.uk)

for the Circuit news letter and forthcoming events.

A paper copy of the weekly news letter is available to read on the Circuit notice

Church Rota	1st July, 2018	8th July, 2018
Morning Readers	Geoff White	Elizabeth Liddle Judith Bell
Stewards	Isabel Brislen Andrew Shaw	Stuart Carron Sandra Rawlinson
Offertory	Doris Bach Kathleen Berisford David & Hilary Gray	Ann Milner Jean Walker Liz & Tony Hough
Welcome Morning	Ruth Heeks Clive Pretty	Doreen Tabinor Hilary Gray
Evening Stewards	Stuart & Val Carron	Gareth & Leona Parry
Coffee Morning	The Novices	The Robells
Counting	Isabel Brislen Elsie Pritchard Carole Challinor	Stuart Carron Roger Pask Ann Pask
Vestry Steward	Gwynneth Proudlove	Doreen Tabinor