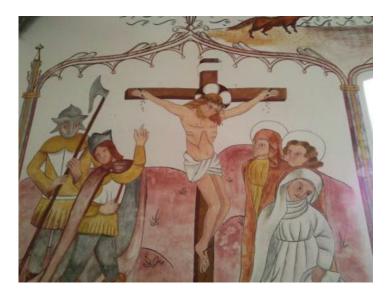


Salisbury Park United Reformed Church

Newsletter

February and March 2018





Salisbury Park United Reformed Church

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Morning worship every Sunday at 10.45am

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A warm welcome to everyone

Due to a heavy rehearsal schedule and transition into a new role in work, this month's newsletter features only basic information regarding readers etc. Normal service resumes next month. Please save any news items for April. Many thanks.

A word from our minister

Dear everyone,

This newsletter covers February and March and it will be Easter by the time the next one is published. The thought of lovely, warm spring weather is a beautiful one with it being barely above freezing as I write this.

Christmas hardly seems to have passed and here I am writing already about the next great Christian Festival. We move towards the great occasion of the death and resurrection of Jesus and its meaning for us in our lives today.

Many people at times have Good Friday experiences and are knocked low by bereavement, broken relationships, unemployment, bullying to name but a few. At these times, they, or we, wonder how we can get back. In our work with the homeless in Wrexham we see many in the lowliest of places and who are surrounded by darkness. It is very easy to become laid low by experiences in life.

But Good Friday is followed by Easter, Christ's suffering is transformed into victory over death and grave and there is the deepest and most meaningful hope. The candle light is most noticeable in the darkest place. Easter is here today for all of us and is the great comfort to us that God was in Christ when He suffered and is alongside us.

May you all feel His resurrection presence in your lives and see it working in others and we can do this for others by offering them the light of Love in their darkness.

On another matter is wonderful news that Mark Rodgers has felt the Call to ministry in the United Reformed Church. He has to go through various procedures within the Church before finally being accepted and we pray for God's guidance in this experience and for Mark and family as he goes forward.

Easter blessings to you all, even if it does sound a bit early!

Best wishes to you all,

Brian.

Sunday Morning Worship

February 4th 2018

Leading Worship – Rev Chris Howard Duty Elder – Mrs Barbara Jones Morning Tea – Yvonne Owen Flowers – Mrs Barbara Jones Door Steward – Thelma Jones OT Reading – Isaiah 40 21-31 **Shirley Devaney** NT Reading – Mark 1 29-39 **Carole Blackwell**

Epistle – 1 Corinthians 9 16-23

Psalm - Psalm 147 1-11, 20c

February 11th 2018

Leading Worship – Rev Brian Matthews (Communion) Duty Elder – Mrs Barbara Jones Morning Tea – Barbara and Sheila Flowers – Mrs Doreen Pryce Jones Door Steward – Thelma Jones OT Reading – 2 Kings 2 1-12 **Paul Fewings** NT Reading – Mark 9 2-9 **Gordon Burgess** Epistle – 2 Corinthians 4 3-6

Psalm – Psalm 50 1-6

February 18th 2018

Leading Worship – Mrs Carole Blackwell Duty Elder – Mrs Barbara Jones Morning Tea – Glenys and Merfyn Flowers – Mrs Carole Blackwell Door Steward – Thelma Jones

OT Reading – Genesis 9 8-17 **Barbara Jones** NT Reading – Mark 1 9-15 **Judith Dolben** Epistle – 1 Peter 3 18-22 Psalm – Psalm 25 1-10

Leading Worship – Mr Mark Rodgers

February 25th 2018

Duty Elder – Mrs Barbara Jones Morning Tea – Sharon and Terry Flowers – Mrs Judith Dolben Door Steward – Thelma Jones OT Reading – Genesis 17 1-7, 15-16 **Mark Rodgers** NT Reading – Mark 8 31-38 **Corbyn Winter** Epistle – Romans 4 13-25 Psalm – Psalm 22 23-31

March 4th 2018

Leading Worship – Rev Chris Howard Duty Elder – Mrs Michelle Berry Morning Tea – Shirley and Thelma Flowers – Mrs Michelle Berry Door Steward – Merfyn Jones OT Reading – Exodus 20 1-17 Christine Anderson NT Reading – John 2 13-22 Michelle Berry

Epistle – 1 Corinthians 1 18-25

Psalm – Psalm 19

March 11th 2018

Leading Worship - Rev Brian Matthews (Communion)

Duty Elder – Mrs Michelle Berry

Morning Tea – Mark Rodgers

Flowers – Mrs Sheila Cherrett

Door Steward - Merfyn Jones

OT Reading – Numbers 21 4-9 Glenys Jones

NT Reading – John 3 14-21 Merfyn Jones

Epistle – Ephesians 2 1-10

Psalm – Psalm 107 1-3, 17-22

March 18th 2018

Leading Worship – Mr Mark Rodgers Duty Elder – Mrs Michelle Berry Morning Tea – Michelle and Christine Flowers – Mrs Susan Rowlands Door Steward – Merfyn Jones

OT Reading – Jeremiah 31 31-34 **Megan Winter** NT Reading – John 12 20-33 **Isobel Winter** Epistle – Hebrews 5 5-10 Psalm – Psalm 51 1-12

March 25th 2018

Duty Elder – Mrs Michelle Berry Morning Tea – Yvonne Owen Flowers – Mrs Barbara Jones Door Steward – Merfyn Jones OT Reading – Isaiah 50 4-9a **Sharon Langford** NT Reading – Mark 14 1-15, 47 **Yvonne Owen** Epistle – Phil 2 5-11 Psalm – Psalm 31 9-16

Leading Worship - Mrs Barbara Jones

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TUESDAY 6TH FEBRUARY: 7.30pm

St Mary's Church, BROUGHTON

Church Rd, Broughton, Flintshire CH4 0QB (Near AIRBUS) Tickets available online: see below.

Tickets: £10 new-wine.org/adventurebegins



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