

TODAY Sunday 23rd February

9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
 11.00am **All-Age Worship** with Colin & Nicola
 Infinitely More Ephesians 5:1-20 'Imitated'
 5.00pm Go Forth in Worship Ephesians 4:8-16 'Gifted'

Monday 24th February

6.00pm Rainbows
 8.00pm CAMEO – silk flower making

Tuesday 25th February

9.30am Parent & Toddlers
 6.45pm Young People's Band Practice
 7.30-8.15pm Pancakes with the Band (see below)
 8.00pm Senior Band Practice

Wednesday 26th February

9.30am Baby Song
 3.30, 5.30 & 7.30pm Slimming World
 8.00pm Cell Group with Linda & Kelvin

Thursday 27th February

10.30am "Meet & Greet"
 12.30pm Lunch Club
 2.00pm Friendship Club
 6.45pm Singing Company Practice
 8.00pm Songster Practice

Friday 28th February

7.30, 9.30 & 11.30am Slimming World
 6.00pm Friday Club

Saturday 29th February

10.00am-12.00pm Coffee Morning

Sunday 1st March

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 11.00am **All-Age Worship ALTAR SERVICE**
 5.00pm **Café One**



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The Weekly Bulletin for Sunday 23rd February 2020

I hope you all enjoy pancake day on Tuesday, but don't forget the reason for pancakes - Lent starts the next day. Some of you will have already thought about giving something up for Lent – maybe chocolate or coffee. But maybe it would be good to take something up! Lent is a really good opportunity to spend a bit more time with God. If you already have a daily quiet time, then it can be a time to focus on something different. If you haven't got into the habit of daily prayer and Bible reading then now is the time to start. There are plenty of books and apps available to help with this. Here's just some ideas, but please ask Colin, Nicola, Linda James, Tash or Laura if you want more ideas.

Topz (a great booklet issued 6 times a year for children)

d365 (a great free app designed for older youth but good for adults too)

Our daily bread (a well known booklet but now also a free app)

Lectio356 (an app you can read, but also has audio – so listen in your car!)

BiOY (if you're ambitious, read the whole Bible in one year with this app)

Youversion (an app that gives you loads of options of different daily plans but also free access to multiple versions of the Bible so you can look up any verse at any time on your phone)

The Salvation Army also produce a 'Prayer Matters' booklet twice a year and there are copies of this in the foyer – the current issue includes a pull out Lent reading guide so pick one up or download the pdf <https://www.salvationarmy.org.uk/prayer-resources>



OUR 2020 RETREAT (OR STAYCATION):

This is fast approaching on **7th/ 8th March**. On the Saturday we have OT Live provided by 'Walk through the Bible'. The subsidised cost of the day, is just £5 per person for regular attenders/members (ages 16 & under are free). Book your place with Deb Hatcliffe. The day will run from 10am to 4.30pm and a crèche will be arranged if it's required, please speak to Colin.

AN INVITE TO SHARE IN PANCAKES:

Shrove Tuesday 25th February: The Young People's & Senior Band will be celebrating the start of Lent by sharing in pancakes between practices (7.30-8.15pm). If you're passing, you're welcome to join us!

FROM THE WORSHIP GROUP:

Bible Reading & Praying: The Worship Group supported by Colin & Nicola would like to actively involve you in our worship, week by week. Firstly, by reading the Bible, secondly, by praying after the offering, but the prayer can be as expansive as you wish to pray. Michelle Dickens is collating a list of those interested and will then form a rota so that you know when you are required. She may come and ask you, but if she hasn't, go & see Michelle! We look forward to hearing you read & share in your prayers.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP:

From Sunday 1st March (next week) we will have coffee available before the meeting every week – please use this opportunity to talk to each other, maybe people you've never talked to before! Obviously we need people to prepare this & clear away – please see Viv if you're able to help, thank you.

WHAT WILL YOU GIVE UP?

Remember we are still thinking about The Self Denial Appeal 2020 which concludes next week **Sunday 1st March** with the Altar Service, make sure you've picked up your envelope & leaflet with more details.

BIG COLLECTION FLAG DAYS:

Please sign up for these flag days. Rotas on the noticeboard.

Thurs 12th & Fri 13th

Yate Tesco Flag Days

Thurs 19th & Fri 20th

Fishponds Morrisons Flag Day

EASTER & HOLY WEEK PROGRAMME:

Palm Sunday	11am 4pm	Palm Sunday All Age Worship Easter Family Crafts
Tuesday	10am-1pm 7.30pm	Family Easter Egg Trail Music for Easter (with Band & Songsters)
Wednesday	10am-1pm	Family Easter Egg Trail
Thursday	7.30pm	Maundy Thursday Reflection
Good Friday	10.15am 11am	Hot Cross Buns on Broad Street Good Friday All Age Worship
Easter Sunday	9am - 10.15am 11am	Easter breakfast Easter Sunday All Age Worship Followed by a March of Witness

GENERAL FAREWELL:

This week the officer moves were published and we have put a copy on the notice board, However, you might be interested to learn that Amanda Lee from Bath will be moving to Cheltenham and replaced by David & Denise Wise who have previously been at Kingswood. Ian & Tracey Mountford are moving to Chelmsford, Sharon Robinson to Swindon Citadel, Ian & Keeley to the training college and Lindsey Toy to Taunton

FELLOWSHIP BULLETIN: staplehillprayers@gmail.com

Thanks to Margaret Boxell for the flowers in memory of her Mum.

We have been away this week, but are aware that Brenda Driscoll suffered a stroke and is in Southmead Hospital. Those who need our on-going prayers are:: Malcolm, Hazel Leonard, Ruby and Charmaine, along with those who have recently been bereaved. Susan Cole (Viv's sister) is entering hospital on Friday 28th for major surgery, prayers for the family please

Message from Helen Lyons:

Thank you to everyone involved in Mum's funeral, everyone who did things to make the day easier for us. Everyone in the band, songsters, tech and the kitchen helpers really made the day special and we really saw how much Mum was clearly loved by others too and not just us. Thank you..