

Prayer Diary *(continued)*

21 Fri *Psalm 18:1* I will love thee, O Lord, my strength; the Lord is my rock, and my defence: my Saviour, my God, and my might, in whom I will trust.

22 Sat *St Anselm (1033-1109)* O Lord our God, grant us grace to desire thee with our whole heart, that so desiring, we may seek and find thee; and so finding thee we may love thee; and loving thee we may hate those sins from which thou has redeemed us; for the sake of Jesus Christ.

23 Sun *Bible Sunday* The Bible Society is encouraging churches to celebrate the joy of encouraging Jesus through the scriptures and sharing that experience. We pray that we may keep the message of the Bible by celebrating it and having the freedom to pass it on.

24 Mon *From the Taizé Community* Lord we pray, for all Christians throughout the world, that each person may be a servant of Christ, truly and faithfully following His teachings.

25 Tue *Taizé Community* Renew your peace in our hearts, give us the courage of faith in our daily life. Lord we pray.

26 Wed *Taizé Community* Free us from all prejudice and fear, deepen our understanding and our love, Lord we pray.

27 Thu *Taizé Community* May those in authority work to establish justice and freedom in their countries and throughout the world, especially in Syria, Afghanistan and other parts of the world where people have needed to escape warfare and terrorism. We earnestly pray Lord for your intervention to bring about fairness, justice and the desire for unity, into each heart.

28 Fri *Taizé Community* Show us, Lord how to bring your compassion to the poor, the sick, the lonely and the unloved, especially for the refugees and dispossessed people looking for shelter and safety and to be accepted by society.

29 Sat *Taizé Community* Lord we pray for befrienders of the young and old, for parents, teachers and carers who are responsible for dependant relatives, that they may have the skill of understanding and wisdom to meet their individual need.

30 Sun *Taizé Community* God our Father, you care for us and know all of our needs may we find REST in your INFINITE and ABIDING Love.

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Notices for the two weeks commencing Sunday 16 October 2016

We extend a very warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us today. During our building work, coffee and tea are served in the concourse at 10.30 am *before* Sunday morning services when they're taking place in the Canteen Room, and *after* the service at about 12 noon when they're taking place upstairs in Wesley Hall. Please do come if you can. Please use this notice sheet as a reminder as you pray for the life and work of this church.

A prayer before we worship:

God, my creator and my unseen Guide, you have led me to this holy place.

Let a spark of its beauty and your love settle in my heart and live with me when I leave.

Sun 16th	10.30 am	Coffee in the Concourse
29th in	11 am	The Zone on Sunday
Ordinary	11 am	Morning Worship including dedication of Youth Workers and Pastoral Visitors
Time		Preacher: Rev. Julia Monaghan Hymns: STF 82, 544, 636, 615, 486 Readings: Psalm 121; Luke 18:1-8; Genesis 32:22-31 Porch: Linda Helsey Flowers: Given in loving memory of Derek and Paddy Milner and Elsie and Sid Beazley by Joy and the family
Mon 17th	10 am	Coffee Morning
	10 am	Wesley Art Group
	8 pm	Wesley Theatre Group
Tue 18th	10 am	Coffee Morning
Wed 19th	9 am	Mid-Week Communion at Wesley in Quiet Room
	10 am	Coffee Morning
	10 am	Parent & Toddler
	6 pm	St John Ambulance
	7.30 pm	CAMEO Housegroup at the home of Joy Milner
Thu 20th	10 am	Coffee Morning
	6 pm	Fusion Kids
	7 pm	Fusion Youth
Fri 21st	10 am	Coffee Morning
	1.30 pm	Movie Afternoon – Florence Foster Jenkins

Sat 22nd	10 am	Coffee Morning
	11.30 am	Time for Healing (in Canteen Room)
Sun 23rd	10.30 am	United Service of Holy Communion at Highlands
30th in		for their 90th Anniversary
Ordinary		Preacher: Rev. Margaret Millar
Time		
Mon 24th	10 am	Coffee Morning
	10 am	Wesley Art Group
	8 pm	Wesley Theatre Group
Tue 25th	10 am	Coffee Morning
	8 pm	Informal Worship led by Sue Hockett
Wed 26th	10 am	Coffee Morning
	10 am	Art Group exhibition begins
	2.30 pm	Talking Poetry – Comedy or Colour
	6 pm	St John Ambulance
Thu 27th	10 am	Coffee Morning
	10 am	Art Group exhibition
	2 pm	Afternoon Tea & Cakes for 60+
Fri 28th	10 am	Coffee Morning
	10 am	Art Group exhibition
Sat 29th	10 am	Coffee Morning
	10 am	Autumn Fair
	10 am	Art Group exhibition (ends 5 pm)
	11.30 am	Time for Prayer (in Canteen Room)
Sun 30th	10.30 am	Coffee in the Concourse
31st in	11 am	The Zone on Sunday
Ordinary	11 am	Morning Worship
Time		Preacher: Rev. Clifford Newman Porch: Katherine Devine

Please give any items for the next notice sheet to Paul McDowell in the Administrator's office, or by e-mail to admin@wesleymethodist.org.uk or phone to 01702 711851, by 9.45 am on Friday 28 October. There will be no notice sheet on Sunday 23 October as we are joining with Highlands in their 90th birthday celebrations (please note 10.30 am service start time).

Rev. Julia is on holiday from 24-31 October.

Time for Healing, 11.30 am – 12.30 pm, Saturday 22 October – see page 24 of the Clarion.

Our **Art Group** is holding an **Exhibition and Sale** of their work in the Canteen Room from **Wednesday 26 to Saturday 29 October, 10 am – 5 pm.**

Autumn Fair, Saturday 29 October – We need cakes, raffle prizes (box of chocolates or toiletry gifts?) and offers of help on the day, either the whole event or part of. Please see June Childs or Gaye Greenway. Thank you.

Use and promotion of our new flexible worship and community space – update – I would like to call a group together to consider the use and promotion of our new flexible worship and community space. Please contact me if you would be interested in joining. Our first meeting will be on **Wednesday 9 November at 7.30 pm.** Blessings, Rev Julia.

Leigh Lights Night – On Friday 25 November our sanctuary may be ready to use so what to do? If we want to be part of the community we must offer something. It could be a display of Nativity sets as we have done before. Or we could decorate the hoardings that Mary has created and just be outside on either side for one night. If you have another idea do let me know. It may well be last minute so please respond rapidly – I know you will. – Thank you, Jane Fulford.

Ballet – Dear Friends, the ballet tickets for Red Shoes are booked at the requested price. Cash or cheques made payable to Julia Monaghan gratefully received. Please hand the money to Paul McDowell. Details of coach will follow later. Blessings, Rev Julia.

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16 Sun *Christians Against Poverty* Father we thank you for the work of CAP. For the work that is being done to help those who are unable to manage their debt. We give thanks for the founders of the charity and for those who work beside those in need.

17 Mon *A Buddhist Litany for Peace – The Venerable Thich Nhat Hahn* Let us be aware of the source of being common to us all and all living things. Let us pray that all living beings realise that they are all brothers and sisters, all nourished from the same source of life.

18 Tue Let us pray that we ourselves cease to be the cause of any suffering to each other. Let us plead with ourselves to live in a way which will not deprive other living beings of air, water, food and shelter nor the change to live.

19 Wed With humility, with awareness of the existence of life and of the sufferings that are going on around us, let us pray for the establishment of peace in our hearts and on earth. Amen

20 Thu *One world week – World Council of Churches* Eternal God, whose image lies in the heart of all people. We live among peoples whose ways are different from ours, whose faiths may be foreign to us, whose tongues are unintelligible to us. Help us to remember that you love all people with your great love. That all religion is an attempt to respond to you. And the yearnings of other hearts are much like our own and are known to you. We pray through Christ who is a stranger to no one land more than another, and to every land no less than to another.

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