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MINISTER'S LETTER



I meet people every week who don't feel that they have anything to offer to the church in way of gifts and talents; disheartened people who have very little hope and positivity about their role within God's church. I think it's probably human nature to look at others and wish we had their gifts or talents. But God has made us all as individuals, all different, all for a purpose and necessary for the smooth working of the church. We are all cogs in God's great plan.

1 Corinthians 12:14-22 tells us; '14 Yes, the body has many different parts, not just one part. 15 If the foot says, "I am not a part of the body because I am not a hand," that does not make it any less a part of the body. 16 And if the ear says, "I am not part of the body because I am not an eye," would that make it any less a part of the body? 17 If the

whole body were an eye, how would you hear? Or if your whole body were an ear, how would you smell anything?

18 But our bodies have many parts, and God has put each part just where he wants it. 19 How strange a body would be if it had only one part!

20 Yes, there are many parts, but only one body. 21 The eye can never say to the hand, "I don't need you." The head can't say to the feet, "I don't need you." 22 In fact, some parts of the body that seem weakest and least important are actually the most necessary.' [NLT]

So, if you're feeling that you don't have a role or don't seem to fit in anywhere in church, then think again. YOU are important to God and to the smooth working of His church. You are a cog! Vital and important. Take strength and encouragement from the reading above from 1 Corinthians, and find where you fit into your church.

Every blessing,

Pastor Steve, May 2022

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NEWS FROM THE PEWS



Beryl Cheeseman, widow of the late Ken Cheeseman has died on the 20th March 2022.

Both were one time members of Wesley and were married at Wesley. Ken became a Methodist local preacher and as an architect, designed the Wesley extension.

We extend our deep sympathy to their daughter Caroline and son Julian.

TALKING POETRY

Wednesdays at 2:30pm

Choose any poem by the given poet or subject:

4th May – Wendy Cope

18th May – Thom Gunn



Please contact Joan Hawkins on email

joanh838@icloud.com for further details'

**The next Leadership Team meeting will be on
Monday 6th June 2022 at 5:30 on Zoom**

Wedding 14th May – Lucy Jane Smith



On Saturday the 14th May, Lucy daughter of Sarah and John Smith, grand-daughter of Margaret Buckey will marry Rob Smith at St Mary's Church Dunmow.

**PLATINUM JUBILEE LUNCH SUNDAY
5TH JUNE 12.30 UNTIL 3PM**



COST £8.00 PER PERSON OR £20.00 FOR A FAMILY.

If you interested in this event please add your name and contact number to the list at the back of the Church. Or telephone June Childs on 01702 711891. Thank you.

PASTORAL NEWS as at 14.4.22

Joan Hawkins has had a hip replacement. We hope she is making good progress.

My own health is normally excellent but COVID was trying. Thank you for all the kindness shown to both of us. It certainly helped so much.

Some individuals prefer not to be a Pastoral Visitor, but do personally support another Wesley person and that is valued and welcomed. We do not have full coverage of all on our 'books' so if you can help in any way please talk to me about this.

Eileen Simmons

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Thank you Annette for the lovely Easter flowers, they looked so beautiful and were very much appreciated on Easter Sunday and Memory Worship

WELCOME TO WESLEY

Lunches at 12.30pm

£7

Jacket Potato and salad, and Dessert



1st Thursday

Chilli

2nd Thursday

Chicken Curry

4th Thursday

Bolognese

Each week there will be Tuna, Cheese or Beans

Dessert

Cake and Cream

Please book on the sheet below or phone Jane on 01702 714213 for catering purposes.

Please pay cash on the day. Thank you.

Looking forward to seeing you

AFTERNOON TEA AND CAKES FOR **2022**

We shall be starting the Tea and Cake afternoons at the end of April, so pencil in these dates for your dairy.

All on Thursday Afternoons 2pm-4pm in the Canteen Room.

April 28th

May 26th

June 30th

July 28th

August 25th

September 29th

October 27th



Looking forward to seeing you there, With love Janet, Pam and Linda

WESLEY FOODBANK COLLECTION



The need for food banks in the UK is higher than ever before. With the increase in food and energy prices we are collecting food at Wesley once again. The collecting point will be moved back into the Sanctuary. If any drivers can volunteer to take the food to Southend Foodbank please contact Gaye Greenway. You may find the following information useful when deciding what to give, but all items will be gratefully received.

BanktheFood is on a mission to make sure food banks get exactly what they need, when they need it. Food banks often struggle with effectively communicating their realtime supply and demand needs to their donors. Social media posts or notices in supermarkets, quickly go out of date or go unnoticed and as a result, food banks can be inundated with one item or have little of another. Regularly updating their real-time needs to their local community, can be a cumbersome admin task, which takes food bank volunteers away from their crucial work of collecting and distributing food. BanktheFood hopes to change this through an

innovative free app which links food banks to donors at the most crucial time; when donors are at the supermarket.

BanktheFood came about as school children at Thorpe Hall School in Southend were inspired by working with Southend Foodbank to design an app which allows people to find out what their nearest foodbank needs when you walk into a supermarket with a foodbank collection point.

BanktheFood is very simple to use - just download the app from your app store and follow the instructions to get started. Once you have followed your local food bank, the app will send you a helpful 'ping' with a reminder of your food banks' needs when you are shopping in your local supermarket. You can then choose exactly what you would like to donate and leave your donation in your food bank's collection box at the end of your shopping trip. Your local food bank will then be alerted via the app of your (anonymous) donation making it easier for your food bank to track and locate items they really need.

Anna Wratishlaw and Gabrielle Greenway

TIME FOR PRAYER

The monthly Time for Prayer meeting will be held on a Thursday in May, but we have decided to revert to a Saturday date once again from June. The start time will then be 9.30am, in order to allow for a period of quiet contemplation prior to the opening of the Saturday Café. We hope that this will be convenient for everyone.

The dates and times for the next three meetings will therefore be:

- Thursday May 26th - 11.00 am
- Saturday June 18th - 9.30 am
- Saturday July 16th - 9.30 am

We hope as many of you as possible will be able to join us.

WESLEY PRAYER CHAIN/PRAYER FOR YOU

A prayer chain is a way for people to gain God's assistance through prayer for any need by permitting the intercessor to pray as Jesus prayed. It is interceding or praying on behalf of one another. We use it at Wesley to pray for the needs and emergencies of our church family, friends and those close to us in the community.

Telephone anyone below and they will set off the chain.

Gabrielle Greenway 557071 mob 07733173810

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Jane Fulford

Linda Lister

June Childs 711891

Vivien Threadgold 713325

Miriam Gifford 716175

Maureen Chambers 01702 870956.



If you would like to be added to the prayer chain, please speak to Gabrielle Greenway

Worship Dates for May 2022

Sunday 1st May at 11:00 – Preacher: Pastor S Mayo

Sunday 8th May at 11:00 – Preacher: Mrs K McCullough

Sunday 15th May at 11:00- Preacher: Pastor S Turner –
Communion service.

Sunday 15th May at 5:30pm – Inspire Creative Worship

Sunday 22nd at 11:00-Preacher: Mrs S Hockett

Sunday 29th May at 11:00-Preacher: US@ Belfairs

8pm - Creative Workshop — every 4th Tuesday in the
month – All are welcome

Memory Worship:

2pm - 4pm on the 3rd Monday of the month

Worship Dates for June 2022

**Plan for the next quarter not
available when this edition went to
print.**

Editors' information

Please could I have all items for the June Clarion by **Friday 13th May 2022**

If you would like to contribute towards to cost of The Clarion, there will be a plate out during the Coffee Shop mornings and on a Sunday morning, should anyone wish to donate.

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