Where we meet and who we are





The office and mid week activities are based at our building in:
Well Street, MK18 1FT

On a Sunday morning we meet for worship at : Lace Hill Academy, Catchpin Street,

Well Street United Church is an LEP (local ecumenical partnership) of Baptist, Methodist and United Reformed churches. In reality, many of us come from other churches or no church background, but we have felt at home in this church.

MK18 7RR







As part of our worship we have an offertory box available by the hall door. If you are visiting please feel under no obligation to give.

If you are a regular worshipper please speak to James Knapton or Wendy Collins as to how you can give by Standing Order or online and also about Gift Aid if you are a tax payer.

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Office hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday mornings

8.00am -1.00pm

Well Street United Church, Well Street, Buckingham, MK18 1ET Registered Charity 1144369



August 2024

Welcome to Well Street United Church

Welcome to Well Street United Church especially if it is your first time.

If you would like to receive electronic weekly updates please speak with a Welcomer.



Sunday 6 August at 3.00pm Pray for the Well Street Team, the residents and staff as they gather for worship



Holiday Club starts on Tuesday 6th – Friday 9th August.

All volunteers will be meeting on Monday 6th for Training and set up (times have been sent out via the HC leadership)

Pray for all the volunteers, children and young people as they gather each morning (children) and young people (evening) to learn about Jesus through worship. Teaching, games and conversation. Pray for safety for all and a time of fun



Come and enjoy a delicious cream tea on

Saturday 31st August 2.30pm-5.00pm The Centre, Verney Close, Buckingham

All proceeds to Project Street Life

Project Street Life's AGM is on Wednesday 14th August. 6.30pm at Well Street United Church.

The meeting is open to all.

Weekly Activities

Sunday

10.30am Morning Worship

Tuesday 10.00am

First Steps (Toddler Group)
Contact Church Office to Register

Tuesday, Wednesday and

Thursday - Life Groups –contact Church Office for details

Thursday 5.00pm

Explorers (5-11year olds)

Saturday 10.00am-12 noon

Renew Café

Monthly Activities

First Sunday

10.30am Café Church at Lace Hill Academy 3.00pm service at Lace Hill Manor (Care Home)

First Wednesday

CAMEO

12.30pm at Well Street United Church. Booking is required Speaker on 4th September: Keith Croxton

For more information contact Church Administrator (details on back)

Minister's Message

Rejoicing and mourning

'Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.' (Romans 12:15)

I'm sure we were all shocked by the devastating news coming out of Southport on the afternoon of Monday 29 th July. As I read my newspaper the following day, I was moved to tears by the news reports of the barbarity of the attack. At the time of writing, three young children have lost their lives, whilst others are critically ill in hospital. At such times, there are many questions we may ask. How could a loving God allow such suffering? Why is an individual moved to such evil acts? There are no easy answers, but we must pray for those affected, and mourn with those who mourn, realising that it could have been our children or grandchildren.

Meanwhile, many of us are watching the Olympic Games, enjoying the sight of athletes striving for excellence and pitting themselves against each other. We celebrate those from our own nations who win a medal. Whilst accepting that winning a medal does not in any way make up for the loss of human life, we need opportunities also to rejoice. Without them, we would struggle to cope with the immensity of human suffering. We would probably succumb to compassion fatigue, which we must never do. Rejoicing gives us a reference point for suffering, and vice versa.

One final question: 'Where was God last Monday?'

It seems a trite answer, but it is true. In Jesus, God is on the cross, sharing in the suffering of those he created. Yet we also remember that Jesus is risen from death, having overcome it and to bring us into the life of his resurrection. We look to the time when He will wipe away every tear from their eye and there will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away (Revelation 21:4).

For now, we cry out, 'Lord, have mercy', even as we pray 'Come soon, Lord Jesus!'

Tim

Café Church Leaders for August

Date	Place	Time	Theme	Leader
4th August	LHA	10.30am	Story , Story, Story Humour	Tim Edworthy
11th August	LHA	10.30am	Story, Story, Story Fantasy	Geoff and Katy Morris
18th August	LHA	10.30am	Story, Story, Story Romance Including The Lord's Supper	Tim Edworthy
25th August	LHA	10.30am	Story, Story, Story Tragedy	Jenny Boxwell
1st Sept	LHA	10.30am	Story, Story, Story Adventure	Tim Edworthy



Pray for...

...our young people as they await exam results and make decisions for the year ahead. Either for work, apprenticeships, college, 6th form or university.

..our friends who are struggling with family and health issues, and those in residential homes and hospital. We pray for those who care and support them.