### Where we meet and who we are



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



On a Sunday morning we meet for worship at:

Lace Hill Academy, Catchpin Street, MK18 7RR

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.







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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## November 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.

All are welcome to join us for

# Prayer and Praise

On

Sunday 3rd November 6.00pm at Well Street United Church, Well Street, MK18 1ET



There is no service at Lace Hill Manor in November. The next service will be at 3.00pm on 1st December



Wednesday 6th November Paul Gateley is the speaker this month 'Flying for life and a life of flying' To book a place for a 2 course meal (£5) please contact Ros.



Pray for the team who open up the church on a Saturday morning for Renew Cafe

## **Weekly Activities**

### Sunday

10.30am Morning Worship Lace Hill Academy MK18 7RR

### Tuesday 10.00am

First Steps (Toddler Group)

### Tuesday, Wednesday and

**Thursday** - Life Groups –contact Church Office for details

### Thursday 5.00pm

Explorers (5-11year olds) (Term time only)

### 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

For more information contact Church Administrator (details on back)

# Minister's Message

'They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.'

These are words that we will certainly hear again this year, taken from the poem, 'For the Fallen' by Laurence Binyon. It's worth reading the whole poem, although it is too long to reproduce here. The poet mourns the death of countless soldiers in war, without seeking to find right or wrong in the act of war, and the hope that in the act of remembering them, their example lives on.

On Remembrance Sunday, we shall again remember those who have fallen in war. Each year, sadly, there are yet more who have died in the service of their country or maybe, their ideology. We will have different opinions among us about the futility or necessity of war. On Remembrance Sunday, we lay aside those views and simply remember those who have sacrificed their lives for others.

On Remembrance Sunday, we will also remember the life of the One who offered his life on the cross, 'once for all' (Hebrews 7:27) for the sins of people like those soldiers, and those who sent them to war, and people like you and me. 'This is my body ...This my blood. Do this in remembrance of me,' says Jesus as he gives bread and wine to his disciples. For those who turn from their sin and turn in faith to Jesus Christ, God chooses to forget our sin. What a wonderful thing that is! God does not, however, forget us. Despite our apathy, our enmity and, perhaps towards the end of our lives, our inability to remember God, God in love remembers us. Isaiah 49:15 has the Lord asking:

'Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne? Though she may forget, I will not forget you.'

God remembers the fallen. So should we, for we are all fallen in our own way. The psalmist says, 'Do not remember the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; according to your love remember me, for you, Lord, are good' (Psalm 25:7).

God remembers us. We remember others, knowing that God is love and God is good!

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# Friday 8th November 6.30pm-8.30pm Youth Nights Light Party

Venue: Buckingham Parish Church

Whats happening;

Food, Games, Music, Talk, Chill and more

If you would like more information please contact

Jane or Sam K







# Nosh and Natter Saturday 23rd November

6.30pm-8.30pm Venue:Jane's

More information available on the Youth Whatsapp group or contact Jane

# **Family News**

On October 9th the Royal Latin hosted their second annual Extraordinary People Awards. The Awards were to recognize and celebrate heroes In the community. The 5 awards were named after the school virtues of Integrity, Resilience, Respect, Courage and Compassion.

The Award for Compassion was present ed to Sheila Handley for her work with the Community Lunch and our Renew Café. We give thanks to God for Sheila's gift of compassion and for those who she works alongside in providing meals.

### Happy 60th Birthday to Andrew on 10th November!



We pray ....

- ... for our family members who are housebound and those in care homes. We also remember those who care and support them at this time.
- ... Annie and Mike on the loss of Annie's Mum



# Christian Aid Quiz Night (including Supper)

Friday 29th November 7.00pm at Well Street Church

If you would like to attend (you do not have to be part of a team we can make up teams on the night) then please book with Margaret Gateley email:



or complete an online booking form by scanning the QR code

#### **Breakfast at Bethlehem**

Our annual Family Christmas Outreach event is on Saturday 7th December. We would love for you join us if you are able to help with craft or serving refreshments. Please contact Lorna or Wendy

if you would like to be involved in the morning or if you are able to help with advertising the event - ie through a school, other public places or through social media please let us know.

Please invite your family and friends to join us as we explore the Nativity story through craft We will also be offering mince pies (notice will go out soon for donations)

# **Christmas Unwrapped**

On **Monday 9th December** approx. 280 Year 4 Children will be visiting Well Street Church and BPC to learn about the Christmas Story through story and craft. If you would like to help out with this event please contact Wendy for more details.

We would appreciate extra hands with simple craft, storytelling/drama, or accompanying a class as they journey through the story.

### **Elders Nominations: Elders Elections 2024**

The Procedure for Election of Elders has been sent out via email or post. A reminder that an Elder, must be a Member, and be proposed and seconded by two other church members.

We encourage you to consider prayerfully whether there is a member whom you might nominate. Have a conversation with them and share why you wonder if the Lord is calling them.

Jenny Boxwell will complete two terms as an elder and will take a well-earned break. We therefore have a at least one vacancy.

Closing Date for nomination is Sunday 3rd November.

If you would like a postal vote for the AGM please contact Wendy Edworthy

# YOU WILL SEEK ME AND FIND ME WHEN YOU SEEK ME WITH ALL YOUR HEART. JEREMIAH 29:13

# **Church AGM and QCM**

# Wednesday 13th November 7.30pm at Well Street United Church

A hot meal will be available from 6.30pm-7.00pm but it would be helpful if you could let Jane Butcher know if you would like a meal.

Please use QR code to book or contact Jane.



A reminder to Stewards and Group Leaders that all reports for the AGM to be with Wendy by Monday 4th November

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### **Service Dates for November**

Date	Place	Time	Theme	Leader
3rd November	LHA	10.30am	Café Church A Path to Take Proverbs 2:1-22	Tim Edworthy
	WSUC	6.00pm	Praise and Prayer	Tim Edworthy
10th November	LHA	10.30am	A Choice to Make Proverbs 9:1-18 Including The Lord's Supper	Tim Edworthy
17th November	LHA	10.30am		Sonia Hicks Tim Edworthy
24th November	LHA	10.30am	A Way to Speak Proverbs 10:18-21, 11.11-13, 25:11-15, 27:17-22	John Boxwell
1st December	LHA	10.30am	A Model to Follow Proverbs 31:10-31 Including The Lord's Supper	Tim Edworthy

On Sunday 17th November we will be welcoming Rev'd Dr Sonia Hicks, the District Chair of Northampton District (Methodist) which we are part of, to preach at our morning service



Saturday November 9th 2024 10 am- 3pm **Brackley Methodist Church** 

Justice, Dignity, Solidarity Training Day required for all Church Trustees/ Office Holders Training to led by 'Through The Roof'

This training is to help us live out our commitment to being a church which is inclusive and justice-seeking. We are now committed to life-long learning about the richness of human diversity and to learning from one another. Tea and coffee will be provided but please bring your own packed lunch.

# December Dates

During December we will be meeting at Lace Hill Academy and also at our building in Well Street, so please check venue which is along side the time in the list below There is no morning service on Sunday 15th December.



# Saturday 7th December



Breakfast@Bethlehem (Family event) 10.00am-12.00am Well Street Church

## **Sunday 8th December**

Community Pop Up Nativity 10.30am Lace Hill Academy

# Monday 9th December

Christmas Unwrapped (Schools event)

# Wedneday 11th December

CAMEO Christmas Dinner 12.30pm Well Street Church (booking required)

# **Sunday 15th December**

Community Carol Service 5.00pm Lace Hill Academy



# **Sunday 22nd December**

**Morning Worship** 10.30am Well Street United Church











